

## ELLSWORTH COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

### MINUTES

**March 11, 2019**

The Board of Ellsworth County Commissioners convened this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 2019 at the Ellsworth County Courthouse.

***Members Present:***

*Dennis L. Rolfs, 1<sup>st</sup> District Commissioner*

*Kermit Rush, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Commissioner*

*Stephen S. Dlabal, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commissioner*

### **OPENING BUSINESS:**

Chairman Dlabal called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Rush moved to approve the Agenda with an addition. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Rush moved to approve the Minutes for March 4, 2019. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

### **PUBLIC FORUM:**

**Billy Kryger, Pastor of the Smoky Hill Baptist Church in Ellsworth, and Ellsworth High School Students, Kara Hays & Taylor Holecek,** were in attendance but did not wish to address the Commissioners.

### **APPOINTMENTS:**

**Todd Kavouras, Kansas Air National Guard,** informed commissioners that the Cross-County Wind Power Project encroaches about 500 feet into their air space for the bombing range. Commissioner Rolfs asked why they could not change their route. Mr. Kavouras said it was next to impossible to move the flight travel. He understands this will impact the County and individuals financially, but the Air Force considers this a national security threat. The Air Force will work with Invenergy Wind, the developers of the Cross County Wind Power Project, and the County much as they can, but the bombing range in Ellsworth County is very important to their training. The Air Force will keep in touch with the County over this matter.

**Rick Nondorf, Road & Bridge Supervisor,** wanted to address the newspaper for always writing when there is a complaint about the roads. The paper never publishes all the work the Road & Bridge has done to the roads even though Rick informs the Commissioners periodically. Before

the quarry the roads were not in this condition. Heavy trucks just tear up the roads. Mr. Nondorf knows the roads are bad. With all the rain the Road & Bridge crew cannot even work on them right now.

**Shelly Vopat, County Clerk**, supplied the Commissioners with the rest of the 2018 inventories except for the Sheriff. He is still working on his inventory list.

**Shawn Estrel, Environmental Sanitarian**, notified the Commissioners he is sending a violation notice to property owners at the Kanopolis Lake for a failed septic system. He will supply Paul Kasper, County Attorney, with a copy of the violation.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Dlabal moved to appoint Colleen Sippel to the Central Kansas Library System Board for a four-year term. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Chairman Dlabal adjourned the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

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Shelly D. Vopat, County Clerk

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