

Labette County Board of Commissioners August 17, 2020

Convene

Chairman Lonie R. Addis called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 17, 2020 at the Commission Room. Attendance: Lonie R. Addis, Present; T. Douglas Allen, Present; Fred E. Vail, Present.

Others Present for the Meeting

County Counselor Brian K. Johnson, and County Clerk Gena Landis.

Media Present

Ray Nolting from the Parsons Sun, and Matt Jordan from KGGF Radio.

Board of Canvassers – 9:00 a.m.

Chairman Lonie R. Addis recessed the Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:02 a.m. and convened the Board of Canvassers to canvass the Primary Election of August 4, 2020. The Board of Canvassers confirmed the vote count of 3,631 of which were counted thru the DS450 Ballot Scanner and 5 hand count ballots. Election Clerk Becky Czapansky revealed the reasons for the ninety-two provisional ballots; thirty-three provisional ballots were counted.

Board Canvassers – Recessed

Chairman Lonie R. Addis recessed the Board of Canvassers at 9:53 a.m. to give the Election Clerks time to open and count the allowed provisional ballots.

County Clerk Left Meeting

County Clerk Gena Landis left the meeting at 9:53 a.m. to run provisional ballots and Payroll Clerk Amy Wilkinson took over keeping meeting minutes.

Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting to reconvene at 9:59 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Fred E. Vail made a motion to approve the minutes of August 10, 2020 as submitted. Lonie R. Addis seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Abstain), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Fred E. Vail made a motion to approve the minutes of August 11, 2020 as submitted. T. Douglas Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

Coordinated Transit District #10

Commissioner T. Douglas Allen made a motion to authorize the Commissioners signatures on a prepared letter in support for transportation providers of Coordinated Transit District #10 in their application to the Kansas Department of Transportation for the funding in the coming year. Fred E. Vail seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

Hiring Freeze Removed

Commissioner T. Douglas Allen made a motion to remove the hiring freeze countywide, that was previously enacted on April 6, 2020, with the exception that the Commissioners visit with the County Appraiser about

those vacant positions. Fred E. Vail seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

County Attorney Discussion

Commissioners discussed the contracted employee hired by the County Attorney.

Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting for ten minutes

Approval of Amended Minutes

Commissioner T. Douglas Allen made a motion to approve the amended minutes of July 27, 2020 after corrections were made. Lonie R. Addis seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Abstain).

Budget Discussion

Commissioners discussed several budget issues and made some corrections.

Executive Session

Commissioner T. Douglas Allen made a motion to go into executive session for Attorney-client privilege. Fred E. Vail seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes). Also present was County Counselor Brian K. Johnson for a period of ten minutes to reconvene at 11:54 a.m.

Board of Canvassers

Chairman Lonie R. Addis recessed the Board of Commissioners at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened the Board of Canvassers. The provisional ballots were added to the totals bringing the grand total of votes cast to 3,669. The Board of Canvassers (Chairman Lonie R. Addis, Commissioner Fred E. Vail and Commissioner T. Douglas Allen) signed off on the August 4, 2020 Primary Election Abstract. (Total Registered Voters – 13,696 with 3,669 voters equals 26.78%) Chairman Lonie R. Addis adjourned the Board of Canvassers at 12:09 p.m.

Reconvene

The Board of Commissioners reconvened at 12:09 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 12:14 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. Monday, August 24, 2020.

Attest

Payroll Clerk, Amy Wilkinson

Chairman, Lonie R. Addis