

Labette County Board of Commissioners November 15, 2021

Convene

Chairman Lonie R. Addis called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 15, 2021, at the Commission Room. Attendance: Lonie R. Addis, Present, Brian C. Kinzie, Present, Cole J. Proehl, 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

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Brian C. Kinzie made a motion to approve the minutes of November 8, 2021 as submitted. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes).

Closing of Courthouse – Year End Audit Purposes

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to close the Labette County Courthouse to the public at noon on December 31, 2021 for Year End Auditing purposes. Brian C. Kinzie seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes).

Holiday Luncheon

Commissioners agreed to close the courthouse on Monday, December 6, 2021 between noon and 1:00 p.m. for the Courthouse Holiday Luncheon.

Rotary Project

Larry Kenemore with Rotary International, gave a presentation to Commissioners on Project SMART, which addresses the opioid crisis and polluted drinking water connection, due to improper prescription drug disposal.

Public Comment

Labette County resident, Mike Howerter, asked questions of Commissioners.

Board of Canvassers – 9:50 a.m.

Chairman Lonie R. Addis recessed the Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:50 a.m. and convened the Board of Canvassers to canvass the General Election of November 2, 2021.

The Board of Canvassers confirmed the vote count of 1985, which were counted through the DS450 Ballot Scanner. Election Clerk Becky Czapansky revealed the reasons for the thirty-two provisional ballots; fifteen complete provisional ballots were counted and four partial ballots were counted.

Board of Canvassers - Recessed

Chairman Lonie R. Addis recessed the Board of Canvassers and reconvened the Board of County Commissioners at 10:27 a.m. Clerk Gena Landis left the meeting at that time to run provisional ballots, and Payroll Clerk Amy Wilkinson took minutes.

County Clerk

County Clerk Gena Landis returned to the Commission meeting at 10:51 a.m.

Noxious Weed Chemical Bids

Noxious Weed Supervisor Ralph George presented the Commissioners with a spreadsheet of the chemical bids from three suppliers – the quotes include Escort, Outrider, Glyphosate, 2,4-D Amine and Surfactant (these chemicals will be for county use only):

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| Nutrien Solutions | \$24,613.50 |
| Van Diest Supply | \$23,540.35 |
| Bartlett Co-Op | \$27,300.25 (Patriot) |
| | \$28,199.45 (Escort) |

Commissioner Lonie R. Addis made a motion to authorize the Noxious Weed Department to purchase the 2022 chemicals from Van Diest for a total cost of \$23,540.35, with the understanding that if additional chemicals are needed, they will be purchased through Bartlett Co-Op. The purchase is payable from the Noxious Weed Fund, 128-128-3001. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes).

Reconvene Board of Canvassers

Chairman Lonie R. Addis recessed the Board of Commissioners at 11:01 a.m. and reconvened the Board of Canvassers. There were two races that were tied and the Board of Canvassers followed protocol in the Kansas Election Standards for breaking those ties. The race for Labette City Council fifth position, had a four-way tie between Dalton Jones, James Smith, Bobbi Peplinski, and Jason Peplinski, all receiving four write-in votes each. Commissioner Brian C. Kinzie broke the tie by drawing James Smith out of a hat.

The Labette City Mayor race had a two-way tie between John Collins and Nick Beery with ten votes each. Cole J. Proehl broke the tie by drawing Nick Beery from the hat.

Board of Canvassers - Recessed

Chairman Lonie R. Addis recessed the Board of Canvassers at 11:08, and reconvened at 11:24 a.m.

The provisional ballots were added to the totals bringing the grand total of ballots cast to 2004. The Board of Canvassers (Chairman Lonie R. Addis, Commissioner Brian C. Kinzie and Commissioner Cole J. Proehl) signed off on the November 2, 2021 City School General Election Abstract. Chairman Lonie R. Addis adjourned the Board of Canvassers and reconvened the Board of County Commissioners at 11:26 a.m.

Executive Session

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to go into executive session for consultation with our attorney, a matter protected by the attorney-client privilege. To protect the privilege and the board's position (in litigation, potential litigation, administrative proceedings, etc.) Brian C. Kinzie seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes) Cole J. Proehl (Yes). Also present was County Counselor Brian K. Johnson for thirty minutes to reconvene at 12:01 a.m.

Recess

Commissioners recessed from 12:02 p.m. to 12:16 p.m.

Executive Session

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Rescinding Resolution 2021-31-L

Cole J. Proehl made a motion to rescind Resolution 2021-31-L. Brian C. Kinzie seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes).

Meeting – Cancelled

The Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, November 29, 2021 has been cancelled. The next regular scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, November 30, 2021.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m., until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 17, 2021.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Lonie R. Addis