

THE PRATT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2020 AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE COURTHOUSE 3RD FLOOR COURT ROOM WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: THOMAS W. JONES III, GLENNA L. BORHO AND JOE R. REYNOLDS. TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, GALE ROSE, PRATT TRIBUNE REPORTER, SHERRY KRUSE, COUNTY CLERK AND DARRELL SHUMWAY WERE ALSO PRESENT.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

DOUG FREUND, ROAD&BRIDGE/LAKE DIRECTOR, PRESENTED A ROAD CROSSING PERMIT FOR SOUTH CENTRAL WIRELESS, INC/DBA SCTELCOM, MEDICINE LODGE, KS; APPLICATION IS FOR A 12.5 MILE PROJECT PARALLELING COUNTY ROADS, INCLUDING SW 10TH ST, SW 20TH ST, SE 20TH ST, SE 30TH ST, WEST RIVER RD, SW 30TH ST, SE 10TH AVE, SW 10TH AVE, SW 20TH AVE AND LAKE ROAD; TO CONSTRUCT A FIBER-TO-THE-HOME SYSTEM TO DELIVER HIGH SPEED BROADBAND SERVICE TO RURAL PRATT COUNTY CUSTOMERS; DOUG PRESENTED AN ESTIMATE ON MATERIAL FOR THE LAKE; FEMA WILL REIMBURSE WITHIN \$2500; COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM SIMPSON'S DIRT CONSTRUCTION FOR \$44,562.42 FOR ROCK AT THE LAKE. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION TO AMEND THE MOTION OF MARCH 16, 2020 TO PURCHASE MOWERS FROM BTI, PRATT, KS TO \$51,615 FOR FOUR MOWERS. COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

TIM BRANSCOM, EMERGENCY MANAGER, DARCIÉ VAN DER VYVER, HEALTH DIRECTOR, SCOTT HARRIS, EMS DIRECTOR, AND BILLY HAMPTON, PRATT COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE CHIEF, GAVE UPDATES ON COVID-19; DARCIÉ SAID THEY ARE STILL MONITORING CASES WITH ALL NEGATIVE RESULTS SO FAR WITH TWO PENDING; SHORTAGE OF TESTING SUPPLIES SO THEY ARE LIMITING TESTS TO HEALTH CARE WORKERS, FIRST RESPONDERS, 60 AND OVER WHO ARE SHOWING SYMPTOMS; IF HAVING MILD SYMPTOMS HOME-ISOLATE FOR 7 DAYS PAST ON-SET OF SYMPTOMS OR UNTIL FEVER FREE FOR 72 HOURS; WILL BE RELEASING A NEW STATEMENT; FOLLOWING CRITERIA SET BY KDHE; BILLY REPORTED THEY ARE PUTTING KITS TOGETHER FOR FIRST RESPONDERS IN THE AREA AND HAVE KITS ON THE FIRE TRUCKS; SCOTT SAID THEY ARE FOLLOWING THE LATEST GUIDELINES AND SENDING IN ONLY ONE EMS EMPLOYEE TO ASSESS THE SITUATION WHEN ON-SITE TO LIMIT EXPOSURE; TIM SAID AS UPDATES ARE RELEASED HE IS FORWARDING THEM TO DARCIÉ AND TYSON; KDEM IS HAVING DAILY BRIEFINGS EVEN ON WEEKENDS; REACHING OUT TO OTHER EMERGENCY MANAGERS ON CONFERENCE CALLS; OVER THE WEEKEND SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION IS OFFERING LOW INTEREST LOANS TO BUSINESSES WITH 250 EMPLOYEES OR LESS; RESOURCES ARE FUNNELED THRU KDEM AND TIM SAID HE WILL COMPILE THE REQUESTS AND SEND TWICE A WEEK; RECEIVED ISOLATION GOWNS OVER THE WEEKEND; STILL HARD TO GET CLEANING SUPPLIES; WORKING WITH OTHER GROUPS TO GET WHAT THEY NEED; GOVERNOR WILL ISSUE ANOTHER EXECUTIVE ORDER TOMORROW WHICH MAY REQUIRE ANOTHER MEETING; DARCIÉ SAID SHE IS GETTING A LOT OF QUESTIONS ON FACEBOOK; REPORTED DAY CARE FACILITIES ARE STILL OPEN; TIM SAID THERE IS A SCAM GOING AROUND SAYING THAT THE CDC IS CALLING AND ASKING FOR PERSONAL INFORMATION; TIM POSTED ABOUT SCAM ON FACEBOOK AND HAS 42,000 LIKES; TIM ASKED IF THE COMMISSIONERS WILL USE VIDEO CONFERENCING WHICH MARK GRABER, I T, SAID HE COULD SET THAT UP OVER ZOOM OR GO TO MEETING IF NEEDED; TYSON SAID WE WILL SEE WHAT THE EXECUTIVE ORDER SAYS; TIM STATED THAT THERE IS SEVERE WEATHER PREDICTED FOR TONIGHT; MAX BARRETT, UNDERSHERIFF, REPORTED THEY HAVE CLOSED DOWN THE JAIL TO PRISONERS OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTY; MAX ASKED FOR A FIVE-MINUTE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL; COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 4:30 P.M. TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR FIVE MINUTES TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL. COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS MADE A MOTION AT 4:35 P.M. TO RETURN FROM

EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NOTHING TO REPORT. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

MARK GRABER, I T, ASKED THAT TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, GET WITH HIM IF THE COMMISSIONERS NEEDED ZOOM FOR THEIR MEETINGS; HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH DEPARTMENT HEADS ON WORKING REMOTELY.

TIFFANY AILSTOCK, RSVP DIRECTOR, REMINDED THE COMMISSIONERS THAT SHE HAD APPLIED FOR GRANTS IN NOVEMBER 2019 AND RECEIVED NOTICE BOTH GRANTS HAVE BEEN APPROVED; ONE GRANT WAS FOR TWO NEW BUSES AND THE OTHER ONE WAS TO EXPAND BUS HOURS; ONE OF THE NEW BUSES WILL REPLACE AN OLD ONE; OUR MATCH WILL BE APPROXIMATELY \$11,000; RECEIVED \$106,222 TO EXPAND OPERATING HOURS; COMMODITIES ARE BEING DELIVERED WEDNESDAY MORNING BY F&E TRUCK LINE; COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS SUGGESTED THE DRIVER REMAIN IN THE TRUCK; CONTACTED THE NATIONAL GUARD AND THEY ARE GOING TO HELP WITH CONTROLLED ACCESS DURING DISTRIBUTION ON THURSDAY.

HEATHER MORGAN, PRATT COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, REVIEWED INFORMATION ON THE STATE ECONOMIC PROGRAMS; HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY RELIEF EMERGENCY (HIRE) FUNDS HAVE ALREADY BEEN DEPLETED; STATE IS ALLOWING COUNTIES TO USE MICRO-LOAN FUNDS FOR BUSINESSES WITH 5 OR FEWER EMPLOYEES; PRATT COUNTY HAS \$158,779.59 IN THE MICO-LOAN ACCOUNT; FUNDS ARE LIMITED AND WILL BE DISBURSED IN SMALL AMOUNTS TO HELP AS MANY BUSINESSES AS POSSIBLE; THESE FUNDS WOULD BENEFIT EMPLOYEES LOW TO MODERATE INCOME UNDER \$33,000 FOR A FAMILY OF 4; THE STATE WANTS THE FUNDS OUT THE DOOR AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE; GOOD CHANCE LOANS WILL NOT BE PAID BACK AND NO EXPECTATIONS THE FUNDS WILL BE REPLACED; NOT NECESSARY TO GO THRU GREAT PLAINS DEVELOPMENT AS REQUIRED IN THE PAST; COMMISSIONER BORHO COMMENTED MAYBE WE SHOULD WAIT AND SEE WHAT THE SBA IS GOING TO DO; HEATHER SAID THE COMMISSIONERS COULD APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE APPLICATIONS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS BUT FINAL DECISION IS WITH THE COMMISSIONERS; COMMISSIONERS WILL REVIEW THE INFORMATION.

TIFFANY AILSTOCK, RSVP DIRECTOR, SUBMITTED BILLS AND CHECKS THE COMMISSIONERS REVIEWED AND SIGNED.

COMMISSIONERS HAD A PHONE CONFERENCE WITH FRED NEWBY; FRED WAS ASKING THAT THE COMMISSIONERS EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR 2ND HALF TAXES WHICH ARE NORMALLY DUE MAY 10 EVERY YEAR; HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT EXTENDED TO AUGUST 15; ENTITIES SHOULD HAVE ENOUGH RESERVES TO GET BY; TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, INFORMED FRED THAT THE DATE IS SET BY STATE STATUTE AND WOULD TAKE AN EXECUTIVE ORDER ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR; FRED SAID HE HAS CALLED THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE BUT HASN'T RECEIVED A CALL BACK; IT WOULD HELP OUT THE TAXPAYERS; TYSON REPORTED THOSE ARE QUESTIONS THAT ARE BEING SUBMITTED BY THE COUNTY COUNSELORS ON THEIR LIST SERV.

COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 9, 2020 REGULAR MEETING AND RECESSED MEETING OF MARCH 16, 2020 AND REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 16, 2020. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 19, 2020 MEETING. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

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THE COMMISSIONERS REVIEWED THE INVOICE FROM LANDMARK ARCHITECTS.

TYSON EISENHauer, COUNTY COUNSELOR, UPDATED THE COMMISSIONERS ON THE TAX FORECLOSURE SALE; ALL PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE BY PHONE OR MAIL.

KEVIN COWAN, GILMORE & BELL, WICHITA, KS DISCUSSED FINANCING ON A POTENTIAL PROJECT FOR PRATT COUNTY; COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH GILMORE & BELL, WICHITA, KS FOR BOND COUNSEL. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

TYSON EISENHauer, COUNTY COUNSELOR, REQUESTED A 30 MINUTE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE; COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 5:50 P.M. TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE FOR 30 MINUTES. COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. AT 6: 20 P.M. COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AND GO BACK INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE FOR ANOTHER 30 MINUTES. COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 6:50 P.M. TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NOTHING TO REPORT. COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 7:00 P.M. TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE FOR 30 MINUTES. COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 7:30 P.M. TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NOTHING TO REPORT. COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS MADE A MOTION TO SIGN PAYMENT VOUCHERS FOR MARCH 23, 2020. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 7:50 P.M. TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. COMMISSIONER REYNOLDS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. MEETING ADJOURNED.

THOMAS W. JONES III CHAIRMAN

GLENN L. BORHO MEMBER

ATTEST:

SHERRY KRUSE, COUNTY CLERK

JOE R. REYNOLDS MEMBER