

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

March 16, 2021 – 9:00 am

Those present were:

Commissioner Gary Weaver

Commissioner Deena Vietzke

Commissioner Kenny Schutte

Executive Director Chris Faix

Executive Assistant Carmon Derting

Guests:

Jay Weise, County Commissioner

Called to order at 9:05 am

G. Weaver made a motion to approve the Agenda, D. Vietzke second the motion and it was passed.

G. Weaver made a motion to approve the Minutes for the 2/23/2021 meeting, D. Vietzke second the motion and it was passed.

D. Vietzke made a motion to approve Vouchers, G. Weaver second the motion and it was passed.

Work has resumed at the Hangar 4 site. The contractor has been presented with the request for the price of the 2 Change Orders and the Port has only been provided with a verbal quote of \$40,000 to \$50,000. It is unclear what is included in that verbal quote. C. Faix will go out each day and document the time he was there and who was working at the site as well as any progress. The Commissioners requested a formal letter sent to the contractor with an expectation as to the progress and expected drop date of the building. C. Faix will follow up any phone calls with the contractor with a text message.

The bid opening for the East End Taxi lane Project will be March 31st, 2021 at the Port of Othello office. JUB will be in attendance as well as D. Vietzke and G. Weaver. There has been a meeting and tour set up for March 18th for the prospective bidders.

The next Commissioner's Meeting has been moved to March 30, 2021 at 9:00am.

C. Faix had a zoom meeting with Russ Elliot. It was suggested to begin the focus on Bruce for broadband internet service. It would be recommended to visit with the larger companies and talk to them about broadband and if they would be interested in connecting. If the customer base seems large enough, a formal feasibility study should be done. CERB will fund ½ of the study when money becomes available. Adams County has put in a request for money at a federal level for Broadband. A checklist/timeline needs to be developed.

C. Faix has a phone meeting on March 17th with a representative from HDR. It is unknown if an extension has been filed on the grant that has already been received.

It was decided to explore the option of doing a natural gas powered generator for Well 3. Contact will be made with the company who has submitted a bid for a propane powered generator to request a quote on the change.

C. Faix has been contacted by a prospected buyer for the 26 and Reynolds land. The plans to bury the drains have been shelved, but C. Faix will continue the work on the quit claim deed. The Bureau of Reclamation is requesting a map with the legal and regular description of each of the drains. The Irrigation Districted has been contacted for that information.

The question of renting the downstairs offices to a retailer was presented. The Commissioners agreed that it would be ok.

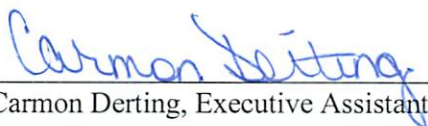
G. Weaver motioned to adjourn, D. Vietzke second, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:10am.

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Kenny Schutte, Chairperson

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Deena Vietzke

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Carmon Derting".

Carmon Derting, Executive Assistant

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gary Weaver".

Gary Weaver