

The Gray County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, May 15, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. with Mark Busch, Glenn Oyler, Orville Williams and Ashley Rogers, County Clerk attending.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, corrected and approved.

Building Permit #2023-000, Julie Bennett & Colby Baker for a shop on a tract in the NE1/4 of Sec 12, Twp 26S, Rng 28W; was approved.

Warrants were presented and allowed as follows: Accounts Payable #61380-#61467 and Payroll by direct deposit. Payments by funds were:

Payroll	\$85,122.89
County General	37,184.70
Road & Bridge	145,350.23
Landfill	36,367.82
Noxious Weed	3,213.52
County Health	298.75
Special Health	2,270.36
Ambulance	4,162.44
PSAP 911E	744.26
Appraiser	1,172.68
Election	12.99
Payroll Holding	6,289.36
Employee Benefit	30.00
Rural Fire District	3,612.40

Brian McGrew, EMS Director entered the meeting at 9:15 a.m. He presented bids on new nozzles for (2) fire trucks and (1) spare to have on hand. Mark moved to accept the bid of \$5,189.08 for (3) Quadrafog nozzles from Weis Fire. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion carried. Payment will be from the Rural Fire Account in the Equipment Reserve Fund. The bid is on file.

Brian then discussed outfitting his pickup for ALS support. He presented a bid for a monitor. Orville moved to accept the bid of \$36,674.54 for a LIFEPAK 15 V4 Monitor/Defib from Stryker. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion carried. Payment will be from the Ambulance Account in the Equipment Reserve Fund. The bid is on file.

Bob Wetmore and Arturo Amaro, Great Plains Development entered the meeting at 9:45 a.m. They discussed the services they offer and funding for 2023.

Alex Hibbert entered the meeting at 10:25 a.m. He discussed the burn ban. We have received some moisture and the fire chiefs will support the county on any decision they make. After discussion was held Orville moved to keep the burn ban in place and Glenn seconded. The motion carried.

Colby Ellis and Jeff Sharp entered the meeting at 10:30 a.m. They discussed an ambulance bill the Sheriffs office received. Decision was made to write that bill off.

Blake Williams and Lee Wehkamp, Fair board entered the meeting at 10:45 a.m. They presented their budget request for 2024.

Once the fair board concluded, Brian McGrew, Jeff Sharp and Colby Ellis met with the commission. They discussed EMS calls and schedules. Jeff said the Sheriff's office needs to know if they need to dispatch South if North doesn't have coverage. They also need to know who is scheduled.

Jeff said we recently had two code blues and both of them had to be dispatched from South EMS. The group agreed that better communication between the departments would be provided and Brian agreed to let the Sheriffs office know if South needs to be paged instead of North.

Jeff then presented a bid for another Taser. Mark moved to accept the bid of \$1,960.00 for a 20008 Taser 7 from Axon. Orville seconded the motion. The motion carried. Payment will be from the Sheriffs budget. The bid is on file.

Randy Dick, Derek Dick, and Hailey Dick, Kaw Valley Insurance entered the meeting at 11:30 a.m. They discussed the health insurance.

Commissioners then discussed a few purchases Denice in the Health Department wants to make with covid grant funds. She is going to purchase a new Alarm system for \$2,458.00, a laboratory freezer for \$8,586.97, and a partial remodel of the health department kitchen for \$4,109.00. The purchases were approved.

Chairman

Attest: _____
County Clerk