

**Minutes of Meeting
March 6, 2024**

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The Stafford County Board of County Commissioners met on Wednesday, March 6, 2024, in the Commission Room in the Annex. Commissioner Wycoff called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Present: Todd Wycoff and Bryce Garner.

Ryan Witt, Noxious Weed / Environmental Services Director, met with the commissioners to update them on his departments. He made a request to increase the stipend he receives for Environmental Services from \$300.00 per month to \$400.00 per month. He also requested a 5% annual salary increase. Ryan advised that he included these amounts in his 2024 budget. Commissioner Garner moved, and Commissioner Wycoff seconded, to increase Ryan's monthly Environmental Services stipend to \$400.00 and to approve a 5% annual salary increase for Ryan. Motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Garner moved, and Commissioner Wycoff seconded, to appoint Commissioner Stanford as the Stafford County Commissioner to engage with KNRC regarding the next steps to move forward with the coordination process concerning the Quivira water rights issue. Motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Garner moved, and Commissioner Wycoff seconded, to approve the minutes of the February 28th session. Motion carried 2-0.

At the request of Sheriff Robert Murrow, Commissioner Garner moved, and Commissioner Wycoff seconded, to recess to executive session for 10 minutes pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion carried 2-0. Present: Commissioners, County Clerk, Robert Murrow. In at 8:45 a.m. Out at 8:55 a.m.

Carl Miller, Appraiser, presented the 2024 contract with Kimble Mapping for the commissioners to sign. Commissioner Garner moved, and Commissioner Wycoff seconded, to accept the contract with Kimble Mapping. Motion carried 2-0. Carl also notified the commissioners that he had to request a publication deadline extension from the state due to the newspaper missing getting a publication in the paper on time. Discussion was held regarding the current county newspaper. Commissioner Garner moved, and Commissioner Wycoff seconded, to change the official county newspaper from the Tri-County Tribune to the Great Bend Tribune effective immediately. Motion carried 2-0. Upon the request of Carl Miller, Commissioner Garner moved, and Commissioner Wycoff seconded, to recess to executive session for 15 minutes pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion carried 2-0. Present: Commissioners, County Clerk, Carl Miller, Marilyn Grizzell, County Attorney. In at 9:10 a.m. Out at 9:25 a.m.

Commissioner Garner moved, and Commissioner Wycoff seconded, to recess to executive session for 5 minutes pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion carried 2-0. Present: Commissioners, County Clerk, County Attorney. In at 9:40 a.m. Out at 9:45 a.m.

During the meeting accounts payable vouchers and checks were signed from the following funds:

General	\$	45,949.29
Road & Bridge		111,427.34
Health		1,518.25
Rural Fire		932.30
Noxious Weed		20.14
Appraiser		364.73
Solid Waste		408.57
EMS		2,129.66
Motor Vehicle		175.34
Equipment Reserve		2,125.06
E911		4,850.82
Deeds Tech		65.60
PHEP Grant		49.62
Fire Reserve		56,898.00
Treas Tech		2,125.05
Co Atty Diversion		3,623.25
TOTAL	\$	232,663.02

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

County Clerk

Chairman

Member

Member