

February 8, 2021

The Board of Ellis County Commissioners met in regular session at 5:00 pm Monday, February 8, 2021, in the Commission Chambers, at the Administration Center, 718 Main Street, Hays, Kansas. Chair Robert "Butch" Schlyer called the meeting to order. Commissioners present: Chair Robert "Butch" Schlyer and Commissioner Neal Younger and Commissioner Dean F Haselhorst. Also present were Interim County Administrator Darin Myers, County Counselor Bill Jeter, and County Clerk Bobbi L Dreiling. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

One executive session.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

Chair Schlyer asked for any changes to the draft minutes of February 8, 2021. No changes were given, the draft minutes were approved as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: _____ **Haselhorst** _____ **Second** _____ **Younger**

To approve the Consent Agenda items A-G as presented, including the following:

Tax Adjustments

Tax roll adjustment number 202100005. Void 202100006-2021000022, 2021000024.

Disposition: _____ **Motion was carried by a voice vote of three to zero**

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

No questions.

ISSUES FROM PERSONS NOT ON THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

None

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

None

EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS

Human Resource Generalist Janet Schmidt presented the service awards for employees who reach a 5-year milestone of employment. Awards are also given by the Kansas Association of Counties (KAC).

BIG CREEK ESTATES DEVELOPMENT

Interim County Administrator Darin Myers and Public Works Director Brendan Mackay updated the Commissioners on the Big Creek Estates Development. Myers discussed that the drainage study has been completed as well as the final plat design. With the final plat design Adam Pray will no longer need a traffic study. All the roads will be maintained by the County except for a corner of the cul-de-sac. Pray is aware of this. Schlyer asked James Graham to speak. Discussion was had on items he believes will be an issue that makes this development and replat not feasible for the area. His concerns were the roads, drainage issues, splitting an existing lot, a new covenant on this lot, and the environmental impact. Adam Pray and James Meis with Driggs Design approached the Commission and a discussion was held on the issues Graham presented. Meis discussed the drainage analysis. Tom Wasinger approached the Commission and discussed the issues on the lots with the replat and covenants. Commissioner Younger inquired about the lots that are vacant for several years and the

adjustment for Social Security purposes of 1.3%

RESOLUTION 2 1-03
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Ellis County, Kansas, may transact all County business and perform all powers of local legislation and administration it deems appropriate subject only to the limitations, restrictions or prohibitions listed in K.S.A. 19-101 (a), and

WHEREAS, there is no limitation, restriction or prohibition regarding the setting of annual salaries for county elected officials, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has adopted a pay plan and a policy for administration of that pay plan,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ELLIS COUNTY, KANSAS, that the salaries of Ellis County Elected Officials for 2021 shall be:

	County Commissioner
	\$19,036
County Attorney	\$91,170
County Clerk	\$63,819
County Clerk - Election Stipend	\$ 8,000
County Treasurer	\$63,312
Register of Deeds	\$57,437
Sheriff	\$86,105

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the adjusted salaries stated above shall be effective March 7th, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all Ellis County Elected Officials on the County Health Insurance Plan will be responsible for paying 14% of their monthly premium with said obligation to be withheld from their paycheck unless mandates of the health plan require an employee contribution of less than this amount depending on the choice of coverage.

Dated this 8th day of February 2021.

COMMISSIONERS

BOARD OF COUNTY

Robert "Butch" Schlyer, Chair
Dean F. Haselhorst, Commissioner
Neal Younger, Commissioner

ATTEST:
Bobbi L. Dreiling, County Clerk

Motion: Schyler Second Haselhorst

Adopt Resolution 21-03 to adjust salaries for elected officials and to approve the general budget adjustments for 2021 salary adjustments starting the March 7, 2021 pay period.

Disposition: Motion was carried by a voice vote of three to zero

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Interim County Administrator Darin Myers stated they received payment from the State for the first payment of the CBDG-CV funds. It was for \$19,000. Payments will be processed next week to the businesses. There will be another payment of \$92,000 but this has not been received yet.

COUNTY COMMISSION REPORTS

Younger had no report. Haselhorst commented about Senate Bill 2142 and how it will affect every County in Kansas financially. Counties would have to refund every business that state they have been affected by COVID-19 the County would be responsible in refunding each business their property taxes. Schyler had not report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Schyler Second: Haselhorst

To recess into Executive Session under the following exception to the Kansas Open Meeting Act pursuant to a non-elected personnel matter with the subject to be discussed during executive session is the Administrator search and to include Commissioners, County Counselor Bill Jeter and Interim County Administrator Darin Myers.

Disposition: Motion passed by a voice vote of three to zero.

The Executive Session started at 6:50 pm

The Open Session resumed at 7:45 pm with no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Chair Schlyer adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm. The next regular meeting with be held on Monday, February 15, 2021, Administrative Center, Commission Chambers, 718 Main Street, Hays, Kansas.

BOARD OF ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ROBERT "BUTCH" SCHLYER, CHAIR

NEAL YOUNGER, COMMISSIONER

DEAN F HASELHORST, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

BOBBI L DREILING
ELLIS COUNTY CLERK