

## COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

March 23, 2023

The Wallace County Board of Commissioners met in special session with, Larry Townsend, Chairman, Michael Cowles, Commissioner, Becky Larson, Commissioner, and Brionna Colvin, County Clerk present.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Townsend for business at 2:30 p.m.

Melinda Daily and Connie Harrison entered the meeting.

Charles Moser, County Attorney, entered the meeting via zoom.

Chairman Townsend moved to go into executive session at 2:34 pm for Personnel exception-Personnel matter of individual NON-ELECTED personnel for 15 minutes and return at 2:49 pm. Invited in are the 3 commissioners, Charles Moser and Brionna Colvin. Commissioner Larson seconded.

Returned to regular session at 2:49 pm.

Chairman Townsend moved to return to Executive Session for Personnel exception-Personnel matter of individual NON-ELECTED personnel for 15 minutes and return at 3:04 pm. Invited in are the 3 commissioners, Charles Moser and Brionna Colvin. Commissioner Larson seconded.

Returned to regular session at 3:04 pm. No action was taken.

8 members of the community including Brian Gailey, Wallace County Community Care Center Board member joined the session.

Connie Harrison repeated what she had told the commissioners at the October 10, 2021, commissioners meeting. Many neighboring counties have nursing homes and hospitals and they do not receive any tax dollars from the commissioners. Connie is also reading the book 13 Ways to Kill your community and stated that the book talks about pouring money into something that is not working, is failing.

Lyle Hammer, Wallace County Community Care Center Board member entered the meeting.

Brian discussed what the WCCCC Board will have to do if they are ordered to shut down. The WCCCC Board would need to submit a 90-day plan to Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS). Once KDADS approves the plan the current administration has 75-days to execute the plan.

Wanda Funk is concerned for the whole community. With the rising cost of everything, the Commissioners have bills and salaries to pay.

Lace David entered the meeting.

Lace stated that WCCCCC is getting poor ratings from the state on their walkthrough inspections.

Brian stated that they are still working on cutting expenses where they see fit. Brian thinks that WCCCCC can still be turned around with more time. Brian spoke with Lacey Hunter at KDADS and Lacey thinks that a residential care facility may be more suitable for rural areas. Brian also thinks that all finances are caught up except what they owe to Greely County Health Services for the broken contract.

Nancy Schmidt, Wallace County Community Care Center Board member entered the meeting.

The Commissioners would like to see a final business plan from Hope Springs and WCCCCC. Clerk Colvin will contact both businesses and request a final business plan.

Connie Harrison entered the meeting again.

The Commissioners discussed a few things that could possibly happen with any decision they make in the coming weeks. They are trying to prepare for different scenarios.

Commissioner Larson moved to go into executive session at 5:12 pm for Personnel exception-Personnel matter of individual NON-ELECTED personnel for 15 minutes and return at 5:27 pm. Invited in are the 3 commissioners and Brionna Colvin. Commissioner Cowles seconded.

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No action taken.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:39 pm.

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Brionna Colvin, County Clerk

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Larry Townsend, Chairman

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Becky Larson, Commissioner

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Michael Cowles, Commissioner