



**Board of Riley County
Commissioners
Regular Meeting
Minutes
April 24, 2023**

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Commission Chambers

8:30 AM

[District 2 – Greg McKinley, Member](#)

[District 3 – Kathryn Focke, Chair](#)

[District 1 – John Ford, Vice Chair](#)

8:30 AM

Call to Order

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John Ford	County Commissioner	Present	8:30 AM
Kathryn Focke	County Commissioner	Present	8:30 AM
Greg McKinley	County Commissioner	Absent	8:30 AM
Rich Vargo	County Clerk	Present	8:30 AM
Clancy Holeman	Counselor/Director of Administrative Services	Present	8:30 AM
Anna Burson	County Appraiser	Present	8:30 AM
Amy Manges	Register of Deeds	Present	9:00 AM
John Ellermann	Public Works Director/County Engineer	Present	8:30 AM
Craig Cox	Deputy County Counselor	Present	9:30 AM

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

1. Public Comments

Commission Comments

2. Commission Comments

Focke's Comments:

Thursday afternoon was the Joint City/County/County meeting. Under discussion was the County Commission's resolution and other issues concerning animal control in the City of Manhattan and the County. Clancy Holeman made a presentation on the "Resolution" and then a lot of comments and conversation between the entities continued for about 1½ hours.

I didn't attend the Big Lakes Anniversary event that evening, being rather exhausted from the day.

Friday I spent the afternoon here in the office going over continuing and upcoming meetings and events. Spent time with Craig Cox re: the potential locations for a lagoon and grant issues.

I scheduled a meeting next Wednesday at Aero Mod that does wastewater treatment for communities and businesses. A constituent in Keats suggested the company. Brian Foster will attend the presentation, plant tour, and St. George plant to see the options that might be available for Keats or other communities.

The weekend was spent doing landscaping projects and chores around the house.

Ford's Comments:

Thursday afternoon the Manhattan Area Technical College had a national signing day for its new class of students. This was in correlation with the technical schools from around the nation. The event was well attended, and I got most of it off their online feed. Hopefully this is something they will continue to do in the future as well.

Thursday afternoon I spoke to Ashleigh Weismiller, Legislative Correspondent in Senator Jerry Moran's office on a couple of federal programs including the Safe Streets and Roads for All, and the Rural Surface Transportation Grant. I'm hopeful one or both of these programs will fill in a couple of gaps we have around the Riley County area, including the City of Ogden.

Later on Thursday we had the April Joint City/County/County meeting here at the BOCC. The topic of discussion was animal control, and it certainly was an interesting dialog. I certainly hope we can find a solution that works for everybody here in the region and not passing this off on RCPD for the future.

Wanted to apologize to everyone out at Big Lakes for missing Thursday evening's 50 Year Anniversary Gala. With everything going on Thursday I couldn't fit it in, but I hope it went well and congratulations on 50 years of service to the community.

Friday morning I attended the monthly retirement ceremony out at Fort Riley. I needed to check and update my pass to get onto the base, and I have long been curious about this ceremony. There were nearly twenty

members who retired with a range of years of service being 20 to 43 years of combined military and civilian service. Congratulations to all, very grateful to each and every one of them and I wish them well on their future endeavors.

McKinley's Comments: Absent

Business Meeting

3. Sign a Tax Roll Correction

Move to approve the Tax Roll Correction.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John Ford, County Commissioner
SECONDER:	Kathryn Focke, County Commissioner
AYES:	Ford, Focke
ABSENT:	McKinley

Review Minutes

4. Board of Riley County Commissioners - Regular Meeting - Apr 20, 2023 9:00 AM

Move to approve the minutes.

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John Ford, County Commissioner
SECONDER:	Kathryn Focke, County Commissioner
AYES:	Ford, Focke
ABSENT:	McKinley

Press Conference Topics

5. Discuss Press Conference

Review Tentative Agenda

6. Tentative Agenda

9:00 AM Amy Manges, Register of Deeds

7. Year-To-Date-Revenue

Manges presented the Register of Deeds year to date revenue.

9:15 AM John Ellermann, Public Works Director/County Engineer

8. Marlatt Ave.

Ellermann presented the Marlatt Avenue detour recommendation and impact on road projects.

The Board discussed the projects.

Move to approve hiring Benesch for the design of Marlatt Avenue reconstruction project and construction of the intersections before the US-24 roundabouts.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John Ford, County Commissioner
SECONDER:	Kathryn Focke, County Commissioner
AYES:	Ford, Focke
ABSENT:	McKinley

9:30 AM Press Conference

9. Personal Property Valuation Notices Mailing May 1st & update on Real Property appeals - Anna Burson (3 minutes)

Burson reported Personal Property Valuation Notice Mailing will be May 1st.

Burson presented an update on real property appeals.

9:35 AM Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

10. Administrative Work Session

11. Pending County Projects County Counselor

Holeman presented the Commission Projects List.

12. Small City Sales Tax Loss Reimbursement Agreement—City of Riley

Holeman presented the Interlocal Service Agreement with the City of Riley.

Move to approve the Interlocal Service Agreement with the City of Riley.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John Ford, County Commissioner
SECONDER:	Kathryn Focke, County Commissioner
AYES:	Ford, Focke
ABSENT:	McKinley

9:47 AM

Adjournment

Move to adjourn after the Intergovernmental Luncheon.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John Ford, County Commissioner
SECONDER:	Kathryn Focke, County Commissioner
AYES:	Ford, Focke
ABSENT:	McKinley

12:00 PM

Intergovernmental Luncheon

13. Intergovernmental Luncheon Agenda