



**Board of Riley County
Commissioners
Regular Meeting
Minutes
July 21, 2022**

115 North 4th Street
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Commission Chambers

9:00 AM

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

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

[District 1 – John Ford, Member](#)

9:00 AM

Call to Order

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John Ford	County Commissioner	Present	9:00 AM
Kathryn Focke	County Commissioner	Present	9:00 AM
Greg McKinley	County Commissioner	Present	9:00 AM
Rich Vargo	County Clerk	Present	9:00 AM
Clancy Holeman	Counselor/Director of Administrative Services	Present	9:00 AM
Adrian Self	Food and Farm Council	Present	9:00 AM
Jacob Wendlandt	Riley County 4-H King	Present	9:00 AM
Mandalyn Otto	Riley County 4-H Queen	Present	9:00 AM
Anna Burson	County Appraiser	Present	9:00 AM
Christian Bright	Manhattan Mercury	Present	9:00 AM
Michele Reid	Payroll & Benefits Spec & HR Associate	Present	9:05 AM
Sam Hennigh	KMAN	Present	9:25 AM
Rhonda Zellweger	KMAN	Present	9:25 AM
David Adams	EMS/Ambulance Director	Present	9:31 AM
Joshua Gering	EMS/Ambulance Assistant Director	Present	9:31 AM
Kurt Moldrup	Interim RCPD Director	Present	9:58 AM
Scott Voos	Be Able Executive Director	Present	10:30 AM
Kolloh Nimley	Be Able Case Manager	Present	10:30 AM

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

1. Public Comments

2. Presentation of Riley County Commissioners 4-H cookie jar by Riley County 4-H King and Queen

Otto, 4-H Queen and Wendlandt, 4-H King thanked the Board for all they do for 4-H and presented the annual 4-H Cookie Jar to the Board.

The Board thanked the kids for all they do.

Commission Comments

3. Commission Comments

McKinley's Comments:

Tuesday I took off for my birthday, had a good day.

Wednesday I met with Mike Matson the new Director of External Affairs at the Chamber of Commerce. It was a chance to get to know each other. He went over what his position entails and he had some questions about how the county operates. We had a good discussion.

After our meeting I came to the office and worked on a few things.

Focke's Comments:

Ford's Comments:

Took the time post meeting on Monday to go up and advance vote. As always it was a quick and easy process and everyone working is very friendly and professional. Whether it's a primary, general, or municipal election the advanced election poll workers always stay consistent, and I appreciate all of them.

Monday afternoon I attended the July meeting of the Riley County Law Board. Not an overly long meeting. Got a monthly crime report from Captain Erin Freidline, a director's update from Interim Director Kurt Moldrup, a Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #17 update from Officer Rachael Pate, a short discussion on possible ARPA funding, and lastly an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel.

Also Monday I met with Kent Glasscock from the K-State Innovation Partners. I wanted to meet with him to discuss some area related items including some work and plans from the K-State Foundation in the Edge Collaboration District, Broadband and Wireless and the vision for growth in both Riley County and the Flint Hills Region. Also enjoyed

the chat and dialog and I always come away with something to think about.

Tuesday afternoon I attended the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce. Some of the discussions on the agenda were a Financial and Membership accounts update, an update and discussion from Monday's City Parks and Recreation Townhall, Daryn Soldan gave an update on the progress on the Scorpion project, a Membership Structure change moving forward and a first half 2022 summary, and lastly staff gave updates and what they currently working on as well.

Wednesday afternoon I chaired the July Zoom call of the Flint Hills Metropolitan Planning Organization policy board. We had a financial update, got updates from staff which included some project timelines and the CPG Agreement, KDOT gave an area update and what they are working on, and we spent the rest of the time discussing the open Planning Director position, and had an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel.

Thursday morning, I attended Good Morning Manhattan hosted by the Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce via Zoom. Good set of speakers and very good information on several programs going on and available in the community.

Lastly I wanted to send my condolences to the friends and family of Daniel Vasquez, North Kansas City Police Officer who was shot and killed in the line of duty Tuesday during a routine traffic stop. Sadly, he was only 32 and leaves behind a spouse and young family.

Business Meeting

4. Food and Farm Council appointment letters and Resolution

McKinley asked why two of the Riley County appointments, one lives in the City of Manhattan and one lives in Wamego. McKinley stated the City of Manhattan has appointments on the Board.

Self said one moved to Wamego from Manhattan due to family.

Self discussed the Food and Farm Council appointments.

Self stated the one with the Manhattan address runs the Senior Center.

Move to approve the appointments and “Resolution No. 072122-29, A Resolution appointing representatives to the Food and Farm Council” - Liz Nelson, Janette Gelroth, Kate LaRosh.

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

5. Sign Tax Roll Corrections

Focke asked why the apartment complexes appraisal was reduced.

Burson said it would have been an appraisal decision and not a tax break.

Move to approve the Tax Roll Corrections.

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

6. Sign Riley County Personnel Action Form(s)

The Board of County Commissioners signed Riley County Personnel Action Forms for the following:

- Skylar German, a new hire, as an Emergency Response Coordinator, in the Health Department, at a grade L step 4, at \$24.77 per hour.
- Denae Jones, for other (reclassification), as a RR Literacy Facilitator, in the Health Department, at a grade M step 1, at \$23.53 per hour.
- Emily Ostlund, a Paramedic, in the EMS/Ambulance Department, for Separation from County Service, effective May 13, 2022.
- Riley Isbel, a new hire, as a Seasonal Labor - Parks, in the Public Works Department/Parks Division, at a grade A step 4, at \$14.48 per hour.

Review Minutes

7. Board of Riley County Commissioners - Regular Meeting - Jul 18, 2022
8:30 AM

Move to approve the minutes.

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

Review Tentative Agenda

8. Tentative Agenda

Press Conference Topics

9. Discuss Press Conference

9:30 AM Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

10. Administrative Work Session
11. Approval and Submission of KAC (Kansas Association of Counties) Legislative Request Forms

Holeman presented the KAC Legislative Request Forms for Riley County.

Holeman discussed the KAC Legislative Policy process.

Holeman asked if the Board has any changes to the recommendations.

The Board agreed by consensus to authorize counsel to submit the attached to KAC as presented.

9:50 AM Josh Gering, EMS/Ambulance Assistant Director

12. EMS/Ambulance Organizational Chart

Gering presented the EMS/Ambulance Organizational Chart.

10:15 AM **Kurt Moldrup, Interim RCPD Director**

13. RCPD update

Moldrup presented a Riley County Police Department update.

10:30 AM **Scott Voos and Kolloh Nimley**

14. Be Able Community Conversation

Voos and Nimley presented the Be Able Community Conversation.

Voos asked how Riley County can assist Be Able.

The Board stated the 2023 budget appropriations have been completed at this time.

The Board suggested Be Able make a presentation for the 2024 budget cycle.

Voos asked for assistance in advocacy in the community.

Adjournment

Move to adjourn after the Joint City/County/County Meeting at 4:00 p.m.

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

4:00 PM **Joint City/County/County Meeting (at City Offices)**

15. City/County/County Meeting Agenda

Anderson presented a Kansas Riverfront Development presentation.

Estabrook presented the Manhattan Housing Project - Carlson Plaza, Garden Grove 1 and 2 presentation.