



## Atchison County Commission Meeting

Atchison County Courthouse  
423 North 5th St  
Atchison, Kansas 66002  
November 10, 2020  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Chairman Jack Bower, 1st District

Commissioner Eric Noll, 2nd District

Commissioner Henry W. Pohl, 3rd District

1. 1:00 P.M. ZOOM MEETING ID # 978 1242 3473
2. Call To Order  
The County Commission is called to order by the Chairman
3. Pledge Of Allegiance
4. Public Comment
5. Reading And Approval Of Minutes  
Approval of Minutes from Last commission meeting
- 5.1. Approved 11/10/2020 Atchison County Commission Meeting Minutes  
Documents:  
[11-10-2020.PDF](#)
6. Commissioner Comments And Committee Reports
7. Reports Of Elected Officials And Department Heads
8. New Business Before The Board
- 8.1. Justin Noll, Public Works Director  
Bid Opening for Lease Purchase Financing
- 8.2. Wes Lanter, Emergency Management/IT Director  
SPARK Grant Approval
- 8.3. Approval For Letter Of Support To Project Concern  
Documents:  
[2020 PROJECT CONCERN KDOT GRANT LETTER OF SUPPORT.PDF](#)

9. Old Or Unfinished Business Before The Board
- 9.1. Michelle Phillips, County Clerk  
Approval of Final Election Results from Canvass
10. County Counselor Updates
11. Executive Sessions ( Time Reserved For Executive Sessions)
12. Presentation And Approval Of Claims
13. Presentation Of Petitions, Memorials, And Remonstrances
14. Introduction And Consideration Of Resolutions
15. Notices And Communications
16. Public Comment
17. Adjournment
18. Zoom Details

**Atchison County will be limiting public access to all Atchison County departments and offices to take preventative measures designed to reduce the spread of the Coronavirus illness. We are making arrangements to adjust services to be in the best interest of the employees and citizens of Atchison County and following the interim guidance as provided by KDHE and the CDC. The Atchison County Board of County Commission meetings will be utilizing Zoom to meet the Kansas Open Meetings Act. Members of the public can connect to the meetings via smart phone, or computer connections. The meeting ID number will be listed on the corresponding agenda. Members of the public can attend the BOCC meeting in-person; however, we urge and encourage all citizens to take active steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19. If you have any symptoms similar to the flu, including fever, cough or shortness of breath, please do not attend until symptoms have subsided and you have been fever-free for 24 hours.**

**Tuesday, November 10, 2020**

Pursuant to the law, the Atchison County Commission Board met in Regular Session at 1:00 pm. Each of the Commissioners appeared by video conferencing using the Zoom platform. A link to the meeting was made available to the public prior to the meeting. In addition, public attendance was available in the Commission meeting room on the 1st floor of the courthouse, 423 N 5<sup>th</sup> St., Atchison. Chairman Jack Bower called the meeting to order with Commissioner Eric Noll, Commissioner Bill Pohl, and County Counselor Patrick Henderson present for the meeting. Deputy County Election Officer Kalee Vanderweide recorded the minutes. All participants attended via Zoom due to the EMERGENCY ORDER OF THE LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER 2020-12 prohibiting mass gatherings.

Commissioner Noll recited the pledge of allegiance to start the meeting.

**\*Public Comment:**

Minutes of the October 27, 2020 meeting were reviewed with no corrections noted. Commissioner Noll made the motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Pohl seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

**\*New Business Before the Board**

Commissioner Pohl stated he had a Juvenile Correction Board meeting via the Zoom platform scheduled for Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 2:00 pm.

Chairman Bower discussed the United Way, and encouraged employees to donate if they are able.

Justin Noll, Public Works Director, presented a purchase order to Norfolk Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$131,377.00, for replacement of bridge F.0-12.4 (246<sup>th</sup> Road between Graham Road and 159 Highway). Commissioner Noll made a motion to approve the purchase order to Norfolk Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$131,377.00. Commissioner Pohl seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

There was a bid opening related to the lease purchase financing of a 2021 Kenworth T470. Director Noll was present to answer questions. The bids were opened and read, as follows:

Bank	Proposal	Interest Rate	Annual payment	Semi-payment	Additional Notes
Morril & Janes Bank and Trust	\$197,078.00	2.80%	\$ 42,787.45	\$ 21,256.98	
Union State Bank d/b/a Bank of Atchison	\$197,078.00	2.75%		\$ 21,064.63	
GNBank, N.A.	\$197,078.00	2.23%		\$ 20,937.00	Estimated lien filing at \$12.50
Exchange Bank and Trust	\$197,078.00	2.94%		\$ 21,336.04	

Commissioner Noll made a motion to accept the bid of GNBANK, N.A., with an interest rate of 2.23%. Chairman Bower seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote. The motion passed 2-1 with Commissioner Pohl in the negative.

Wes Lanter, Emergency Management/IT Director appeared before the Board to discuss the SPARK grant approval process. Director Lanter explained that, subject to Board approval, the first payout, in the amount of \$491,361.63, has been processed. Commissioner Noll made a motion to approve the first payout of SPARK grant funding, in the amount of \$491,361.63. Commissioner Pohl seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Director Lanter presented a rough draft news release to limit traffic at the courthouse, effective November 12, 2020. Commissioner Pohl made a motion to approve the mitigation plan, effective November 12, 2020. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Chairman Bower presented a purchase order to RJ Kool for two Uni-Mac Tumble Dryers, in the amount of \$11,878.50, for Atchison Senior Village. Commissioner Noll made a motion to approve the purchase order to Uni-Mac Tumble Dryers, in the amount of \$11,878.50. Commissioner Pohl seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Noll made a motion to take from recess following the canvass of the November 3, 2020 General Election, which was started November 9, 2020. Commissioner Pohl seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Michelle Phillips, County Clerk, appeared before the Board with the final election numbers. Atchison County had a turnout of 62.23% with 7,523 voters.

## GENERAL ELECTON – November 3, 2020

**7,523 Voters – 62.23% Turnout**

**19 Precincts – 10 Polling Sites (plus 1 in Office)**

**57 Board/Poll Workers**

**4 Staff Members**

### Advanced Voted

- Advanced Ballots Distributed 2,448 (29 UOCAVA)
- Advanced Ballots Received 2,303

### Early Voting

- Voting Completed in the Office Area 1,413
- Voting Completed during Off-Site Remote 56

Voted

### Provisional Ballot

<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BALLOTS:</b>	<b>182</b>	
• Registered Voter moved within County	43	
• Registered Voter moved, wrong ballot, same races	3	
• Address incorrect due to clerical error	6	
• Registered voter had different name due to legal	1	
• Registered voter requested advance ballot, didn't receive and voted at polls. No ballot received in Election office.	63	
• Voter didn't sign advance ballot envelope, cured.	3	
• Voter voted at former precinct, filled out new VR	1	
• Registered Voter moved, wrong ballot, Partial Count	5	
• <b>Not Registered</b>	<b>49</b>	
• <b>Voter requested advance ballot, didn't receive and voted at polls. Ballot was received in Election Office.</b>	<b>3</b>	
• <b>Voter didn't sign advance ballot envelope, Attempted cure after phone call from office.</b>	<b>2</b>	
• <b>Registered voter returned a ballot after polls closed.</b>	<b>2</b>	
• <b>Advance Voter Cast ballot, then dies before Election</b>	<b>1</b>	

=125 Voters

UOCAVA = Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act

Commissioner Pohl made a motion to accept and certify the November 3, 2020 General Election. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Pohl made a motion to have Chairman Bower sign a letter of support for a grant application by Project Concern. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

**\*Executive Session:**

Chairman Bower moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into executive session at 1:47 pm to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, as allowed by K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (1). The executive session will be conducted in a “Breakout Room” using the Zoom Platform. The Board will come out of the executive session at 2:17 pm, via the Zoom meeting in process. Those present will be: the three Commissioners, County Counselor Patrick Henderson, Jamie Madison, HR Director, and Peggy House. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.  
There was no action taken.

**\*Public Comment:**

There were no public comments.

Add, abate, escapes for real estate and personal property taxes were presented to be approved.

Bills were presented to be approved.

Commissioner Noll made the motion to adjourn at 2:17 pm. Commissioner Pohl seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

\*Note: Once approved these minutes will be the official minutes of the Board of County Commissioners. Regular meetings of the Board of County Commissioners are video-recorded. The video of these meeting is generally available for supplementation of the minutes. The videos can be located under the Government tab at [www.atchisoncountyks.org](http://www.atchisoncountyks.org).

Attest: Kalee Vanderweide, Deputy County Election Officer



Atchison County Commissioners  
423 North Fifth Street  
Atchison, KS 66002  
Phone: 913-804-6000

November 10, 2020

Stephanie Barnes, Director  
Project Concern, Inc.  
504 Kansas Avenue  
Atchison, KS 66002

Dear Stephanie,

The Atchison County Board of Commissioners fully supports the application of Project Concern, Inc. to the Kansas Department of Transportation for operating expenses to help support the transportation program in the city and the county of Atchison.

Congregate meals and meals on wheels for the homebound, provided to many of the citizens of Atchison and those at the Effingham site, are essential for the physical and mental health of our senior citizens.

The transportation service is necessary in this area because it is the only service available in our community that provides regular transportation for the elderly, handicapped, and others at a minimum cost.

Atchison County fully supports what Project Concern does and every year appropriates to them the sum of \$125,000.

Sincerely,

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Jack Bower, Chairman

