

**Minutes of Meeting  
June 26, 2024**

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The Stafford County Board of County Commissioners met on Wednesday, June 26, 2024, in the Commission Room in the Annex. Commissioner Wycoff called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Present: Todd Wycoff, Jim Stanford, Bryce Garner.

Danielle Hollingshead, Adams Brown, LLC, presented the 2023 audit report. She went over the audit results and the final financial statement for the year. The county had a clean audit opinion issued with no statute violations or significant deficiencies.

Gina Schwein and Charlie Brown, Sheriff Department, presented information regarding a new shift schedule for deputy officers. The department will be going to 12-hour shifts allowing for 24-hour coverage. They will be hiring another officer to appropriately accommodate the new schedule. Budget information regarding the change was also presented.

Doris Tompkins, St John Hospital Board, introduced Brett Middleton, CEO and Arika Fanshier, Nurse Practitioner with Heart of Kansas Family Health Care, Inc. Heart of Kansas will be taking over the clinic in St John and Arika will be the new provider. They went over the structure of Heart of Kansas and how the clinic will operate. Arika went over details and also explained the services and care they want to offer citizens in St. John.

Upon the request of Misty Rudy, EMS Director, Commissioner Garner moved, and Commissioner Stanford seconded, to recess to executive session for 15 minutes pursuant to the non-elected personnel exemption to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion carried 3-0. Those present: Commissioners, County Clerk, Misty Rudy, Dr. Farmer. In at 9:05 a.m. Out at 9:20 a.m. Commissioner Garner moved, and Commissioner Stanford seconded, to extend the executive session for another 10 minutes. Motion carried 3-0. In at 9:20 a.m. Out at 9:30 a.m.

Commissioner Stanford moved, and Commissioner Garner seconded, to approve the minutes from the June 12<sup>th</sup> session. Motion carried 3-0.

Jason Murray, Executive Director, Golden Belt Community Foundation, met with the commissioners to discuss the opportunities of participating on a financial level in the Rural Opportunity Zone Program. The county currently participates with no financial allocation. He discussed the increased possibility of attracting cities and employers to participate in the program if the county is financially participating.

Shannon Snyder, Health Dept Director, presented a Letter of Understanding for the agreement between Stafford and Barton Counties regarding sharing WIC Registered Dietitians.

Marshal Sanders, Fire Director, presented a bid to replace the tender truck at Stafford. Commissioner Garner moved, and Commissioner Stanford seconded, to approve the bid from Great Lakes Pre-Owned Fire Apparatus in the amount of \$28,750.00 for a 1982 GMC 2700-gallon pumper/tanker truck. The Stafford truck being replaced will be moved to Seward.

Commissioner Stanford moved, and Commissioner Garner seconded, to accept the bid from TES Services in the amount of \$2,500.00 to do tree removal and clean up at Taylor Cemetery. They will then mow regularly at a rate of \$200.00. Motion carried 3-0.

During the meeting vouchers and checks were signed from the following funds:

General	\$ 208,080.74
Road & Bridge	309,039.60
Health	17,668.82
Rural Fire	4,691.45
Noxious Weed	4,488.25
Appraiser	13,896.09
Solid Waste	12,177.54
EMS	81,817.52
Motor Vehicle	2,113.82
Fire Reserve	28,750.00
E911	1,393.89
Sheriff Home Arrest	67.75
PHEP Grant	149.61
Road/Bridge Spec Mach	7,722.83
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 692,057.91</b>

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

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County Clerk

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Chairman

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