

June 12, 2019

The Ellis County Commission met in Special Session on Wednesday, June 12, 2019, at the Administrative Center, Third Floor Conference Room, 718 Main Street, Hays, Kansas.

Chair Dean Haselhorst called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. All Commissioners were present: Chair Dean F. Haselhorst, Commissioner Dustin G. Roths and Commissioner Robert "Butch" Schlyer.

Also present were County Administrator Phillip Smith-Hanes and County Clerk Donna J. Maskus.

Chair Dean Haselhorst turned the meeting over to Driggs Design Engineering Consultant Buck Driggs.

Driggs had a slide presentation on the proposed Northwest Business Corridor Project. Driggs presented some options to the project. Commissioners discussed these options.

Areas addressed were road layout relating to intersections and feedlot road, soil types to develop the best substance for the road base that will hold up for the heavy traffic flow including trucks, traffic analysis, business benefit analysis, highway standard layout and a viable route for all businesses and traffic flow in that area for current and future business development.

Commissioners have been receiving letters of support from key stakeholders to the project. They are applying for federal funding which Driggs and County Administrator Smith-Hanes are working on the application which is due on July 15, 2019. Driggs stated that the grant application is thirty pages.

County Administrator Smith-Hanes stated that Nex-Tech will be filming a driving tour of this project that will be used to educate those on the importance of the need for road improvements to this location and for the heavy traffic load, including large trucks and for everyone's safety.

With no further business, Chair Haselhorst adjourned the special meeting at 9:11 a.m.

The next regular meeting will be held Monday, June 17, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. at the Administrative Center, 718 Main Street, Commission Chambers, Hays, Kansas.

BOARD OF ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

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DEAN F. HASELHORST, CHAIR

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ROBERT "BUTCH" SCHLYER, COMMISSIONER

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DUSTIN G. ROTHS, COMMISSIONER

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DONNA J. MASKUS, ELLIS COUNTY CLERK