



**Agenda for the Commission of Cole County
For Tuesday, March 21, 2023**

(Commission is in session as posted beginning at 9:00 am, unless otherwise noted.
The Commission will handle administrative matters between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm daily)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Cole County Commission met with Presiding Commissioner Sam Bushman, Eastern District Commissioner Jeff Hoelscher, Western District Commissioner Harry Otto, Cole County Soil and Water Conservation District Michele Brautigam, Jim Frank, John Loesch, Mark Thompson, Keven Kerperin and Roy Raithel, Cole County NRCS Cherie Johnson, Wisper Internet Monte Miller and Mandy Tryon, JCREP Luke Holtschneider, Sheriff John Wheeler, Chief Deputy Collector Gretchen Carlson, Public Works Director Eric Landwehr, Auditor Mark Ruether, Purchasing Agent Jessica Bryant, HR Sheila Johnson, Finance Debbie Malzner, Counselor Jill LaHue, Chief Deputy Clerk Dawn Cremeans, present.

2. MINUTES & REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED

Collector's February 2023 Fees

3. COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OTHER UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

5. PRESENTATIONS FROM STAFF, CONSULTANTS & INVITED GUESTS

PRESENTATION:

A presentation was held with Michele Brautigam giving information on what the Cole County Soil and Water Conservation District does. She provided several handouts.

PRESENTATION:

A presentation was given by Monte Miller regarding fixed Wisper Internet and connecting internet to Taos. He handed out some packets of information.

6. COMMISSION COMMENTS

7. BIDS & CONTRACTS

MOTION:

Commissioner Otto made a **motion to approve and sign the Digital Reel Sole Source documents for Sheriff's Dept.** Commissioner Hoelscher seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Otto (Yes).

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Old Business)

MOTION:

Commissioner Hoelscher made a **motion to approve and sign the Instagram Set-up for Sheriff's Dept.** Commissioner Otto seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Otto (Yes).

9. NEW BUSINESS

MOTION:

Commissioner Hoelscher made a **motion to approve Accounts Payable upon review**. Commissioner Bushman seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Otto (Abstain).

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT:

1st Reading of Budget Adjustment #6 in the amount of \$180,000.00 for Law General Fund. No action taken today.

MOTION:

Commissioner Otto made a **motion that the Presiding Commissioner sign the SFY 2023 ARPA POG Grant Award for Sheriff's Dept.** Commissioner Hoelscher seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Otto (Yes).

MOTION:

Commissioner Otto made a **motion to sign the Tyler Technologies Amendment for Sheriff's Dept.** Commissioner Hoelscher seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Otto (Yes).

MOTION:

Commissioner Otto made a **motion to accept the Collector's Annual Settlement statement for year-ended 02-28-2023.** Commissioner Hoelscher seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Otto (Yes).

DISCUSSION:

Discussion with Eric Landwehr regarding Industry Track Construction on Union Pacific at Algoa Farms.

MOTION:

Commissioner Otto made a **motion that the Commission sign the Union Pacific Letter Agreement and authorize the payment of \$17,750.00 to Union Pacific Railroad Company.** Commissioner Hoelscher seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Otto (Yes).

10. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING – March 28th at 9:00 a.m.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Commissioner Hoelscher made a **motion to stand in recess until 4:30 p.m.** Commissioner Otto seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of: Commissioner Bushman (Yes), Commissioner Hoelscher (Yes), Commissioner Otto (Yes).

Commission adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Presiding Commissioner

Eastern District Commissioner

Western District Commissioner