

**LAWRENCE COUNTY SALARY BOARD MEETING**  
**MINUTES OF December 28, 2023**

The Lawrence County Salary Board Meeting of Thursday, December 28, 2023, was called to order by **Commissioner Dan Vogler**, at 8:30 a.m. at the Lawrence County Commissioners Meeting Room. Deputy Chief Clerk, Vanessa Bayless called the Roll. Those in attendance were, **Controller David Prestopine, Commissioner Loretta Spielvogel, Commissioner Brian Burick, President Judge Dominick Motto, Michael Occhibone, JR Hardester, and no one from the New Castle News.** It was stated for the record that the meeting is being taped. Those wishing to speak shall be given five minutes. If they need more time, they are to see the Deputy Chief Clerk at another time and she will arrange for them to meet with the Commissioners. Those speaking are to state for the record their names, addresses and the nature of their business.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Vogler noted there was an Executive Salary Board meeting to discuss today's issues on December 19, 2023.

**MINUTES**

1. December 12, 2023

Moved by Mr. Prestopine, seconded by Ms. Spielvogel to approve said Minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**SALARY BOARD**  
**Courts**  
**R-2023-60**

**WHEREAS, Section 1624 of the County Code states that the Salary Board may meet from time to time between Annual Salary Board meetings at the request of any Judge, County Officer, or Executive Head of any separate board, commission, or division to fix compensation of any deputy, assistant, clerk, and employee; and**

**WHEREAS, the President Judge is in need of a part time law clerk until a full time clerk is hired**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY SALARY BOARD that:**

1. The position of Part Time Law Clerk be created at a rate of \$26.44/hour

This position is will only exist as long as the Full Time Law Clerk position is vacant.

Moved by Judge Motto, seconded by Ms. Spielvogel to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 5-0.

**SALARY BOARD  
Courts  
R-2023-61**

**WHEREAS, Section 1624 of the County Code states that the Salary Board may meet from time to time between Annual Salary Board meetings at the request of any Judge, County Officer, or Executive Head of any separate board, commission, or division to fix compensation of any deputy, assistant, clerk, and employee; and**

**WHEREAS, the President Judge is requesting salary adjustments for certain positions in the Courts**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY SALARY BOARD that:**

1. The current Confidential Assistant to the District Court Administrator receive a salary increase of \$2,500
2. All current Courtroom Assistants receive a salary increase of \$2,500
3. All current Judicial Executive Secretaries receive a salary increase of \$2,500
4. This Resolution is effective 1/1/2024 and the above will not receive the 2024 COLA

Moved by Judge Motto, seconded by Mr. Prestopine to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 4-0-1. Mr. Burick abstained since he did not attend the executive session meeting. He also noted that he is concerned that the current 2024 budget does not include these raise increases.

**SALARY BOARD  
Assessor/Planning/Public Safety  
R-2023-62**

**WHEREAS, Section 1624 of the County Code states that the Salary Board may meet from time to time between Annual Salary Board meetings at the request of any Judge, County Officer, or Executive Head of any separate board, commission, or division to fix compensation of any deputy, assistant, clerk, and employee; and**

**WHEREAS, the effective date of a previous Resolution needs amended**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY SALARY BOARD that:**

1. The effective date of Resolution R-2023-50 be changed to 12/11/2023

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Prestopine to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 4-0.

**SALARY BOARD  
Assessor  
R-2023-63**

**WHEREAS, Section 1624 of the County Code states that the Salary Board may meet from time to time between Annual Salary Board meetings at the request of any Judge, County Officer, or Executive Head of any separate board, commission, or division to fix compensation of any deputy, assistant, clerk, and employee; and**

**WHEREAS, the Assessor is requesting a salary adjustment within his office**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY SALARY BOARD that:**

1. The current Chief Assessor receive a salary increase of \$3,500
2. The current Professional Appraiser receive a salary increase of \$3,500
3. The current Professional Appraiser/C&G Administrator receive a salary increase of \$3,000
4. The current Office Manager receive a salary increase of \$3,500
5. The current Senior Appraiser receive a salary increase of \$2,300
6. This Resolution is effective 1/1/2024 and the above will not receive the 2024 COLA

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Prestopine to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 4-0.

**SALARY BOARD  
Commissioners  
R-2023-64**

**WHEREAS, Section 1624 of the County Code states that the Salary Board may meet from time to time between Annual Salary Board meetings at the request of any Judge, County Officer, or Executive Head of any separate board, commission, or division to fix compensation of any deputy, assistant, clerk, and employee; and**

**WHEREAS, the Commissioners are requesting a salary adjustment a position within his office**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY SALARY BOARD that:**

1. The current Chief Clerk receive a salary increase of \$4,500
2. This Resolution is effective 1/1/2024 and the above will not receive the 2024 COLA

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Burick to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 4-0. Ms. Spielvogel commented that this position's duties have increased and continue to increase and the salary increase is well deserved. Mr. Burick commented that the County used to hire outside firms to do negotiations and the current County Administrator and County Solicitor are now handling the negotiations.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Vogler adjourned the Lawrence County Salary Board Meeting dated Thursday, December 28, 2023 at 9:00AM. Motion carried 4-0.