# <u>LAWRENCE COUNTY SALARY BOARD MEETING</u> <u>MINUTES OF March 26, 2024</u>

The Lawrence County Salary Board Meeting of Tuesday, March 26, 2024, was called to order by Commissioner Dan Vogler, at 8:30 am at the Lawrence County Commissioners Meeting Room. Deputy Chief Clerk, Vanessa Bayless called the Roll. Those in attendance were, Controller David Prestopine, Commissioner Chris Sainato, Commissioner Dan Kennedy, Bill Flannery, Warden Mahlmeister, Deputy Warden Howard Simmons, John Bout, Karen King, Scott Baldwin, Sheriff Perry Quahliero, Coroner RJ Johnson 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.

Mr. Vogler asked everyone to keep the family of Josh & Carmen Lamancusa in their thoughts and prayers.

#### **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Vogler stated Executive Salary Board meetings were held on February 6, February 27 and March 11, 2024 and the legal ad was placed on Saturday, March 23, 2024 edition of the New Castle News.

### **MINUTES**

1. January 16, 2024 Moved by Mr. Prestopine, seconded by Mr. Sainato to approve said Minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

> NEW BUSINESS SALARY BOARD JAIL SB-2024-12

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 Lawrence County Prison Board is recommending the following adjustments

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

- 1. The base rate and current salaries of the Shift Commander Captains shall be increased to \$62,400
- 2. The Maintenance Director shall receive a salary increase of \$8,000 retroactive to February 6, 2024
- 3. The Maintenance Technician shall receive a salary increase of \$5,000 retroactive to February 6, 2024
- 4. The base rate and current salary of the Information Specialist shall be increased to \$31,200

Mr. Kennedy asked if these positions will receive the COLA for 2024, because in the past those that have received increases did not receive the COLA. Mr. Prestopine stated that those increases in January of 2024 did not receive the COLA and these people listed today already received the COLA for 2024, so the increases today is in addition to. Mr. Kennedy stated that the Board needs to address this in the future because those that did not receive the COLA are constantly playing catch up.

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

SALARY BOARD Coroner R-2024-13

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 Coroner would like to restructure positions and salaries in his office

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

- 1. The Chief Deputy Coroner position shall be renamed PT Deputy Coroner
- 2. One (1) Chief Deputy Coroner position be created at a salary of \$52,000
- 3. One (1) Office Manager/Deputy Coroner position be created at a salary of \$42,500

Moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Sainato to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 5-0.

### SALARY BOARD Sheriff R-2024-14

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 Sheriff would like to adjust salaries within his office

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

- 1. The base rate of the Lieutenant positions shall be increased to \$65,000
- 2. The base rate and the current salary of the Chief Deputy Sheriff shall be increased to \$70,000
- 3. Retroactive to January 1, 2024.

Moved by Mr. Quahliero, seconded by Mr. Prestopine to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 5-0.

SALARY BOARD MHDS R-2024-15

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 MHDS Director would like to adjust salaries in his office

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

- 1. The MR Program Director be renamed ID Director and shall receive a salary increase of \$3,100
- 2. The EI Coordinator/DS Compliance Officer shall receive a salary increase of \$2.700
- 3. The Block Grant Coordinator shall receive a salary increase of \$4,300

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 4-0.

SALARY BOARD Children & Youth R-2024-16

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 Lawrence County CYS department would like to change the titles of 2 positions within the office

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

- 1. The Deputy Director of Intake position shall be renamed CYS Deputy Director 1
- 2. The Deputy Director of Outgoing position shall be renamed CYS Deputy Director 2

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

SALARY BOARD Controller R-2024-17

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 Lawrence County Controller would like to adjust salaries in his office

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

- 1. The Chief Deputy Controller shall receive a salary increase of \$2,000
- 2. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Controller shall receive a salary increase of \$1,500

3. The Pension Administrator shall receive a salary increase of \$1,500

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

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Prestopine to adjourn the Lawrence County Salary Board Meeting dated Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 9:12AM. Motion carried 4-0.