

COMMISSION MINUTES, September 16, 2013

The Board of County Commission for Washington County met in regular session on Monday, September 16, 2013 in the commission room at the Washington County Courthouse. Members present: Alison Mueller, 1st District Commissioner, Chairman; Roger Otott, Vice Chairman, 2nd District Commissioner; Gary Ouellette, 3rd District Commissioner; and Denae Dimler, County Clerk.

Next regular meeting will be Monday, September 23, 2013 at 8:30 A.M.

Chairman Mueller called the meeting to order.

Janice Kearn, County Health Administrator, wanted clarification on charges being paid to Marshall County for child care licensing. Janice received a bill from Marshall County for mileage to perform child care licensing. The Board said they agreed to pay that expense to Marshall County. Janice reported that she and Gary Ouellette attended the Board of Health Workshop in Russell on the 12th. They both agreed it was very informative and that the Washington County Board of Health needs to meet two or three times per year.

Commissioner Otott made a motion to not publish minutes until they become official minutes by the approval and signatures of the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed.

David Willbrant, Public Works Administrator, presented weekly work report. David said that the airport needs crack sealing and some cement work. There is an aviation grant available through KDOT. The Board agreed to allow David to apply for the grant. David reminded the Board that bids for the bridge grant project are due on the 30th and the Purple Wave auction ends October 8th. Commissioner Otott asked David to contact Ralph Rogge regarding a fence that was never fixed after it was destroyed by a snow plow. David said he would contact the landowner.

Denae Dimler, County Clerk, presented bills and payroll totaling \$363,776.38. The Board had previously asked Denae to gather information on public transportation services provided by Twin Valley Developmental Services Inc. According to ATA Bus in Manhattan, who is responsible for dispatching service for the county, Twin Valley made 422 round trips during the last 12 months. Of the total trips, 320 were for medical purposes. Twin Valley made 140 medical trips for Washington County residents, 152 for Marshall County, and 28 for surrounding counties. In other business, the board set the fees for non-Washington County faxes at the current rate charged for copies. The Board asked Denae to remind all departments that insurance claims need to go through the Clerk's office who will then forward them to the insurance agent.

Kyle Applegarth, Under Sheriff, reported there are currently 4 Washington County, 1 Marshall County, and 1 Republic County inmates in the jail.

Deb Nutsch & Ryan Kern, First National Bank representatives, asked permission to have the Fall Fest on the Courthouse lawn this Saturday, September 21st. The Board approved.

Ed Henry, Twin Valley Developmental Services Inc., informed the Board that Twin Valley has decided to discontinue public transportation. The Board indicated they would like Twin Valley to continue medical transportation for Washington County residents and wanted to know what the County could do to provide assistance. The Board asked Ed to provide information on the cost to provide the service and would like Ed to come back at a later date with this information.

Chuck Turk, Hanover, told the Board that Government Day would be Tuesday, November 12th. The Board agreed to purchase drinks for the high school students who attend Government Day in the Courthouse.

Gloria Moore, Tourism Director, presented the August 2013 tourism report. Gloria reported that the transient guest tax for the 2nd quarter was \$501.51 which is down from \$939.33 in 2012. Gloria asked Denae to check on transient guest taxes with KDOR.

Elizabeth Hiltgen, County Attorney, asked the Board about fees in the renewal contract for County Sanitarian, Marlene Stamm. Alison Mueller requested executive session for non-elected personnel. Commissioner Otott made a motion to enter into executive session. Commissioner Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed. No decision was made.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 P.M.

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Alison Mueller, Chairman, 1st District Commissioner

Roger Otott, Vice Chairman, 2nd District Commissioner

Attest:

Denaë Dimler, County Clerk

Gary Ouellette, 3rd District Commissioner