

COMMISSION MINUTES, October 26, 2015

The Board of County Commission for Washington County met in regular session on Monday, October 26th, 2015 in the Commission room at the Washington County Courthouse. Members present: Tim Mueller, 1st District Commissioner; Roger Otott, Chairman, 2nd District Commissioner; and Gary Ouellette, Vice-Chairman, 3rd District Commissioner. Denae Jueneman, County Clerk, was present to record meeting minutes.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, November 2nd, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

Chairman Otott called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Ouellette made a motion to approve all consent agenda items. Commissioner Mueller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously to sign an agreement between Washington County BOCC, Washington County Hospital and Hearts N Things regarding property located at 218 E. 7th St., Washington; payroll change notice for Antonio Perez as part-time Corrections Officer; payroll change notice for Stephanie Knoettgen for completing 6 month training period; and authorizing payroll and bills totaling \$312,352.37.

Commissioner Mueller received a phone call from a Hanover resident regarding law enforcement concerns.

Jueneman informed the Board she received notice from the Kansas Department of Commerce that the County has its first participant in the Rural Opportunity Zone Student Loan Repayment Program.

Justin Novak, Road & Bridge Supervisor, phoned in for guidance on a potential new employee.

Francine Crome, County Appraiser, presented quotes on a new plotter. Crome and Sheila Ouellette, Communications Director, have discussed sharing a plotter rather than the County purchasing two plotters. The Board agreed that if it were possible, the two departments should share one plotter. Commissioner Mueller stated he asked Crome for department information a few months ago but has never received the information. Commissioner Mueller would like to know how many homes they visit every month, how many customers they see, etc. Crome said she would work on it for the next appointment. Commissioner Mueller said he is in need of the Appraiser's position descriptions so he can finish the wage scale. Crome will work on the descriptions. Crome said she may be in need of assistance in answering the phone while she and her staff begin final review. Jueneman said she and her staff would assist.

Casey Frazier, Foley Equipment, dropped off 2016 calendars.

S. Ouellette presented monthly stats for the 911 center. Commissioner Mueller made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel and to include S. Ouellette. Commissioner Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. No action taken upon returning to regular session.

Roxanne Schottel, Washington County Hospital CEO, presented October board meeting minutes and the monthly financial statement for the hospital. Schottel asked about previous minutes stating the hospital or Hearts N Things would be paying the insurance costs to cover the new building for Hearts N Things. The Board stated the County would cover the cost but encourage all parties to obtain donations to reimburse the County. Schottel stated Hearts N Things auction is November 1st and the hospital open house is November 15th. The Board and Schottel discussed hospital renovations. Commissioner Ouellette asked how many items are incomplete on the project. Schottel reported there are several issues. Commissioner Mueller asked at which point are we going to move on and forego the minor repairs. Schottel agreed she is tired of the process as well. All agreed that after the windows in the nursery on re-done, the hospital needs to be done with the project and move on. Schottel the Board if they wanted to continue monthly appointments since the hospital renovation project is endings. The Board agreed there was no need for Schottel to come in on a monthly basis. Chairman Otott asked Schottel to continue to provide minutes and financial statements and stated she is welcome at any time to visit if any problems arise.

At 1:15 noon, the Board, along with Jueneman, began acting as the Public Building Commission. The Board returned to regular session at 1:20.

Duane Bruna, Environmental Science Director, presented figures on recycling receipts and expenses. Commissioner Mueller made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss non-elected

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personnel and to include Bruna. Commissioner Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. No action taken upon returning to regular session.

Schottel rejoined the meeting and requested executive session. Commissioner Ouellette made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel and to include Schottel. Commissioner Mueller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. No action taken upon returning to regular session.

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

BOARD OF WASHINGTON COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

(SEAL)

Tim Mueller, 1st District Commissioner

Roger Otott, Chairman, 2nd District Commissioner

Attest:

Dena Jueneman, County Clerk

Gary Ouellette, Vice-Chairman, 3rd District Commissioner