

COMMISSION MINUTES, April 25, 2016

The Board of County Commission (BOCC) for Washington County met in regular session on Monday, April 25th, 2016 in the Commission room at the Washington County Courthouse. Members present: Tim Mueller, Vice-Chairman, 1st District Commissioner; Roger Otott, 2nd District Commissioner; and Gary Ouellette, Chairman, 3rd District Commissioner. Denae Jueneman, County Clerk, was present to record meeting minutes.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, May 2nd, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

Chairman Ouellette called the meeting to order.

After reviewing consent agenda items, Commissioner Mueller made a motion to pay bills and payroll totaling \$251,111.72; add change order 2015-238 to Treasurer's tax roll; Resolution 1-16 waiving the requirements of generally accepted accounting principles; and to approve personnel status reporting forms. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The BOCC received notices of a hearing for the Kansas water pollution control revolving loan fund to be held in Topeka on May 25th; Washington County Senior Citizens February and March reports; RSVP of Northeast Kansas will no longer serve Washington County; and a KDHE notice regarding an application for the operation of a proposed swine facility and another application to construct two new enclosed buildings with concrete manure waste storage pits below the floor. Both applications are located in section 33 of Sheridan Township. Comments are due May 21st, 2016. A copy of the notice is on file in the Clerk's office for public viewing.

Departmental activity reports were given by Tiffany Hayman, County Health Administrator; Duane Bruna, Environmental Science Director; Justin Cordry, Sheriff; and Justin Novak, Road & Bridge Supervisor.

Dan Thalmann, Washington County News, asked questions about the County Health Department project being over budget. Chairman Ouellette stated even though the project exceeded original estimates, no additional funding was needed at a cost to the tax payers and a new building would have been much higher.

Justin Dragastin, Dragastin Insurance, offered higher liability insurance coverages available to the County through EMC. The BOCC agreed to discuss the option with the County Attorney.

Wanda Backstrom and Dawn Snyder, 12th Judicial District Community Corrections, asked for signatory approval for the FY 2017 grant application.

Elizabeth Hiltgen, County Attorney, and Jueneman discussed the shared leave program with the BOCC. The BOCC decided the limit of receiving 160 hours in a 12 month rolling period took effect on December 1, 2015 when the new handbook was adopted and does not apply to hours received prior to the new policy. Hiltgen stated the current coverages for liability insurance were adequate and there was no need to increase the coverage.

It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously to take the following actions: to sign 2017 Community Corrections Comprehensive Plan; to approve bids for the purchase of chemicals from Van Diest Supply and Sims Fertilizer; to hire summer help at Road & Bridge and Environmental

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Science Departments at \$11.00/hr.; to purchase a new printer for the Environmental Science Department from Dague Computers; to enter into executive session for personnel matters relating to non-elected personnel and to include the County Attorney and County Clerk, no action was taken upon returning to regular session; to enter into executive session for personnel matters relating to non-elected personnel and to include the County Attorney, Sheriff, and County Clerk. After returning to regular session, the BOCC decided to maintain the policy stated in the employee handbook that accrued PTO may not be used during an employee's resignation or retirement period. Cordry asked permission to allow law enforcement employees 2 hours funeral leave to attend the funeral of an employee's mother. The BOCC approved the request.

Commissioner Mueller made a motion to enter into executive session for personnel matters relating to non-elected personnel to conduct interviews for the Emergency Management Coordinator position. After conducting two interviews, Commissioner Otott made a motion to hire Randy Hubbard as Coordinator. Chairman Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 2-1 vote with Commissioner Mueller voting no.

Commissioner Mueller made a motion to adjourn until Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. to discuss a tax rebate program. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.