

## COMMISSION MINUTES, December 22, 2014

The Board of County Commission (BOCC) for Washington County met in regular session on Monday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 in the Commission room at the Washington County Courthouse. Members present: Alison Mueller, 1<sup>st</sup> District Commissioner, Chairman; Roger Otott, Vice Chairman, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Commissioner; and Gary Ouellette, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commissioner. Denae Jueneman, County Clerk, was present to record meeting minutes. Commissioner-Elect Tim Mueller was also present.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 8:30 A.M.

Chairman Mueller called the meeting to order.

It was noted that County offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> in observance of Christmas.

Justin Dragastin, Dragastin Insurance, and representatives from KCAMP and KWORCC discussed bid proposals made last week.

Jueneman presented payroll and bills totaling \$358,069.34 and a payroll changed notice for Kylie Fritschi, Election Clerk, for completing 6 month training period.

The Board signed change orders 2014-30, 2014-31, 2014-32, 2014-33, and 2014-34.

The Board received the following notices:

- Certificate of completion for the CDBG Bridge Grant.
- Letter of resignation from Ted Lillie as Washington County Hospital Board Member.
- Public notice from KDHE indicating swine facilities located in sections 13 and 23 of Clifton Township have applied for a permit renewal. The notice will be on file in the Clerk's office for public viewing. Comments are due by January 17, 2015.

Upon receiving a recommendation from the Grant Township Board, Commissioner Ouellette made a motion to appoint Bob Allen as Grant Township Clerk. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The Board signed a letter of agent with Professional Insurance Consultants to act as the Agent of Record for all Vision Care Direct benefits for Washington County.

Duane Bruna, Environmental Science Director, submitted a revised letter to contractors regarding trash in construction and demolition. The Board signed the letter. Bruna asked permission to offer chemicals at no cost to Townships for bind weed control in 2015. The Board agreed the effort was a good gesture.

Bob Chambers, Cook Flatt & Strobel, dropped off a cookie platter.

Deb Swoboda, Emergency Management Director, submitted quotes on computers. The Board agreed to purchase a computer from Dague's as the low bidder with 5% in-county bid advantage. Swoboda asked for a year-end transfer of \$4,000 to cover the computer and a new desk.

Commissioner Ouellette suggested giving each employee 4 hours of paid time off (PTO) to use at their discretion as a way of saying thank you for their work during the year since the County does not give bonuses or gifts. Commissioner Ouellette made a motion to allow the time as long as the time is marked as such on timesheets and it must be used in the first quarter of 2015. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The Board discussed insurance bids that were opened in last weeks regular session. Two bids were opened. Dragastin Insurance, Washington, submitted a bid for \$159,481.00. An additional policy to cover medical malpractice costs \$5,100. KCAMP/KWORCC, State of Kansas Pools, submitted a bid of \$106,824.00 which included medical malpractice coverage. Commissioner Otott indicated he would like to keep the money locally. Commissioner Ouellette said he would go along with that for one year but if the County does not receive a large dividend check to offset the difference then he feels the County needs to make a change. It was also noted that if the policy were to stay locally then it needs to be moved around to other agencies within the County.

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Commissioner Otott made a motion to stay with Dragastin Insurance. Commissioner Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Rob Peschel, CES Group Engineers and Surveyors, dropped by a plate of goodies.

Elizabeth Hiltgen, County Attorney, delivered one architect bid from Health Facilities Group for the County Health Department project.

David Willbrant, Public Works Director, gave weekly report and asked to transfer \$260,000 to Road & Bridge Special Machine Fund. Commissioner Otott moved to sign a utility permit for RWD #2. Commissioner Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed. Commissioner Ouellette said he had received a complaint about 3<sup>rd</sup> and All American Roads. Willbrant thinks some of the problems are from Blue Valley Telecommunications where they have been installing fiber lines but he will check out the roads.

Larry Bruna, Hutton Construction, gave an update on the hospital project.

Justin Cordry, Sheriff, presented signed law enforcement contracts with the City of Washington and the weekly jail report. Cordry invited the Board in ride-alongs so they could see the technology used in performing deputy duties.

The Board approved the following year-end transfers:

- \$4,000 Emergency Management
- \$40,000 Health Department
- \$2,500 Dispatch
- \$30,300 Jail
- \$30,000 Sheriff
- \$260,000 Road & Bridge

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 P.M.

BOARD OF WASHINGTON COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS

(SEAL)

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Tim Mueller, 1<sup>st</sup> District Commissioner

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Roger Otott, Chairman, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Commissioner

Attest:

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Denae Jueneman, County Clerk

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Gary Ouellette, Vice-Chairman, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commissioner