

**COMMISSION MINUTES, September 2, 2014**

The Board of County Commission (BOCC) for Washington County met in regular session on Monday, September 2, 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. Dena Jueneman, County Clerk, was present to record meeting minutes.

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

Chairman Mueller called the meeting to order.

Justin Dragastin, Dragastin Insurance Agency, presented a dividend check from EMC Insurance.

Jueneman submitted bills and payroll totaling \$242,541.98.

The Board approved and signed official minutes from July 21, July 28, August 4, August 18, and August 25. The Board signed the official election abstract from the August 5<sup>th</sup> Primary.

At 9:00 A.M., the Board held the 2015 County budget hearing. Commissioner Ouellette made a motion to approve the 2015 budget. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Verle Decker, Hollenberg, asked if the County will ever put asphalt on the road into Hollenberg. Chairman Mueller stated Public Works is trying a new product on a road in the County that will harden a surface so that may be an option for the Hollenberg road. Decker also noted that the main street in Hollenberg, which is a County road, has not been sealed for at least 5 years and it needs to be sealed.

Duane Bruna, Environmental Science Director, stated his department will be spraying a pre-emergent herbicide on weeds at the airport. The Board and Bruna agreed to conduct the annual Solid Waste Committee meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 A.M. in the Commissioner Room in the Courthouse.

Janice Kearn, County Health Administrator, and Mary Oelschlager, County Health RN, presented information on the history of funding and plans for a new County Health facility. Kearn would like to hold an information meeting for the public on the plans for the new County Health facility. Commissioner Otott suggested the meeting be held in the evening so those who work would be able to attend. The Commissioners all agreed to be a part of the meeting.

Justin Cordry, Sheriff, said the roof project on the jail is still in progress and that the contractor will be going back to the manufacturer of the sheathing due to a defect in the product. Cordry informed the Board he hired Grant Ottinger as a new deputy and Chairman Mueller signed a payroll change notice for Ottinger. The County boot policy was discussed but no decisions were made on the allowance.

David Willbrant, Public Works Administrator, asked the Board to reconsider purchasing the 4WD chip spreader instead of the 2WD. Commissioners Otott and Ouellette said they would not change their minds on the purchase. Willbrant presented an AT&T Utility Permit. Commissioner Otott made a motion to sign the utility permit. Commissioner Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The local bridge system was discussed and no bridges will be closed at this time.

Elizabeth Hiltgen, County Attorney, presented a Settlement Statement to the Board on the building recently purchased for the County Health facility. The Board signed the Statement.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 P.M.

BOARD OF WASHINGTON COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS

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Alison Mueller, Chairman, 1<sup>st</sup> District Commissioner

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

Attest:

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Dena Jueneman, County Clerk

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Gary Ouellette, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commissioner