

COMMISSION MINUTES, September 14, 2015

The Board of County Commission (BOCC) for Washington County met in regular session on Monday, September 14, 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, September 21st, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

Chairman Otott called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Mueller made a motion to approve all consent agenda items. Commissioner Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously to approve the following consent agenda items:

- Payroll and bills totaling \$470,015.13
- Payroll change notice for Grant Ottinger, Deputy Sheriff, due to resignation
- Hangar lease between Bob Rollman and the Washington County Veteran's Memorial Airport

Chairman Otott reported he received a phone call from Sharon Schwartz inquiring about damage in Linn during last weeks' thunderstorm. Commissioner Mueller said he spoke with Deb Swoboda, Emergency Management Director, about funds available to assist residents with repairs. Swoboda responded that damage was caused to property that has a reasonable degree of insurance attached to the value so there would not be local or federal funds available for assistance.

Jueneman presented a revised worksheet with employee premiums for health insurance. Jueneman explained the previous amounts discussed were not allowed by the State plan because, according to the contract, employers may not create, maintain or provide incentives for employees to join or not join the plan. The Board approved the use of the revised worksheet.

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Duane Bruna, Environmental Science Director, discussed the disposal of storm damage from Linn at the County landfill. The Board agreed to allow the disposal free of charge for the next four (4) weeks.

Commissioner Mueller made a motion to enter into executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss employee conduct and to include Bruna. Commissioner Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. No action was taken upon returning to regular session.

Justin Cordry, Sheriff, reported on personnel matters. Chairman Otott asked about progress on the jail roof repairs. Cordry replied he has been unable to get roofers to inspect the roof. The Sheriff's office will be selling a retired Crown Victoria from their fleet.

Justin Novak, Road & Bridge Supervisor, asked for clarification on procedures for ordering culverts for Townships. The Board approved up-front payment from Townships ordering culverts through the Road & Bridge Department. Novak indicated he plans to put asphalt in holes on All American Rd. south of Barnes and patch the road. Novak expressed concerns about the future of the road and believes the holes in the road will continue to grow. Commissioner Mueller said the County made a commitment to repair the road so the road should be repaired as best possible this year and the County will review road conditions again next year.

Bruce Jones, HFG Architects, and Brian Murphy and Larry Kabriel, McPherson Contractors, joined Janice Kearn, County Health Administrator, and the Board in reviewing bids received for the Health Department Remodel. Jueneman made copies of all bids received and will have those bids available for public viewing in the Clerk's office. Two local businesses, B & W Electric, Hanover, and Hamel Electric, Clyde, were awarded plumbing/HVAC and electrical work respectively. McPherson Contractors presented a contract to complete the project with a guaranteed maximum price of \$439,478. Commissioner Ouellette made a motion to accept the contract with the approval of County Attorney, Elizabeth Hiltgen. Commissioner Mueller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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Roger Otott, Chairman, 2nd District Commissioner

Attest:

Denae Jueneman, County Clerk

Gary Ouellette, Vice-Chairman, 3rd District Commissioner