

COMMISSION MINUTES, August 18, 2014

The Board of County Commission (BOCC) for Washington County met in regular session on Monday, August 18, 2014 in the Commission room at the Washington County Courthouse. Members present: Alison Mueller, 1st District Commissioner, Chairman; Roger Otott, Vice Chairman, 2nd District Commissioner; and Gary Ouellette, 3rd District Commissioner. Denae Jueneman, County Clerk, was present to record meeting minutes.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, August 25, 2014 at 8:30 A.M.

Chairman Mueller called the meeting to order.

It was noted that the Commissioners met on Tuesday, August 12th, to enter into a contract for the sale of real estate located at 102/104 E. 2nd St. and 116 C St., Washington. Commissioner Otott made a motion to sign the contract for \$75,256.00. Commissioner Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Jueneman submitted bills and payroll totaling \$531,869.21. Jueneman discussed election worker selection and pay rates.

Darcy Kunze, Randolph, phoned in to discuss the process for a fence viewing.

The Board received notice from KDHE indicating a swine facility located in section 6 of Brantford Township has applied for a permit renewal. There is no change in the permitted animal units. The notice will be on file in the Clerk's office for public viewing. Comments are due by September 13, 2014.

The Board signed change order 2013-56.

Duane Bruna, Environmental Science Director, submitted a payroll change notice for Emil Scott Miller who resigned as summer help to return to school. Chairman Mueller signed the payroll change notice. Bruna asked permission to repair a rear left seal leak on the track loader at the landfill with a cost around \$4,000. The Board approved the repair. Bruna indicated a new track loader will probably need to be purchased in 2015.

Kyle Applegarth, Undersheriff, phoned in to report that there are currently eight Washington County inmates in the jail.

Don Alldredge, Janitor, told the Board he will be out for a week and a half. The Board said they do not want someone to come in after hours to clean the Courthouse and asked Jueneman to find someone to clean the Courthouse. Commissioner Otott will call around to find someone to mow around the Courthouse.

At 10:30, Janice Kearn, County Health Administrator, asked the Board to act as the Family Planning Advisory Committee and then reviewed services provided by the Family Planning Program. At 10:35, the Board resumed acting as the BOCC. Kearn advised the Board that North East Kansas Area Agency on Aging (NEK AAA) had notified the Health Department that the agency was not selected to receive a contract at the rates submitted; however, if the Health Department was willing to provide services at the rates designated by the NEKAAA, they would be happy to offer the Health Department a contract. This will result in a \$50/week loss to the County with the current client census. The Board agreed that the County should continue providing the in-home services even though there will be a loss to the County. Kearn told the Board she will be attending an informational meeting at Pawnee Mental Health regarding a new program, Health Homes, to assist Medicaid clients with certain chronic health conditions. Kearn asked about the purchase of the building for the new Health Department location and what is the next step. The Board asked Jueneman to arrange a meeting next week with Larry Bruna, Hutton Construction, and Kearn to discuss floor plans for the Health Department.

David Willbrant, Public Works Administrator, submitted a payroll change notice for Zak Voelker who resigned as summer help to return to school. Willbrant submitted a 2nd quarter bill for Highland Township and Chairman Mueller signed off on the invoice. Chairman Mueller told Willbrant that there is a safety issue on the blacktop on All American Road south of Barnes that needs immediate attention. Willbrant said it would be taken care of when sealing is done and he gets the pothole patcher up and running.

Chairman Otott moved to sign a contract with Hall Bros. for crack seal on airport in the amount of \$65,000. Commissioner Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed. Commissioner Ouellette made a motion to sign a contract with Benesch for engineering services for the airport crack seal project. Commissioner Otott

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seconded the motion. Motion passed. The County received a KDOT grant of \$69,000 which requires a local match of 10% or \$6,900.

Commissioner Otott made a motion to sign a change order 1 revising contract quantities for bridge work. Commissioner Ouellette seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Willbrant introduced Dave Griffin with The G.W. Van Keppel Co. The County recently purchased a chip spreader from Van Keppel that has had many mechanical issues and Willbrant wished to return. Griffin offered two options to buy back the chip spreader and sell the County a new spreader. The Board said they would discuss the options and get back to Griffin next week.

At 11:30, the Board began acting as the Public Building Commission (PBC) and, along with Jueneman, took a tour of the Washington County Hospital project. The PBC adjourned at 12:30.

The Board reconvened as the BOCC at 12:30 P.M. to hold the Highland Township Budget Hearing. Commissioner Ouellette made a motion to approve the 2015 Highland Township Budget. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 P.M.

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COMMISSIONERS**

(SEAL)

Alison Mueller, Chairman, 1st District Commissioner

Roger Otott, Vice Chairman, 2nd District Commissioner

Attest:

Dena Dimler, County Clerk

Gary Ouellette, 3rd District Commissioner