

COMMISSION MINUTES, February 29, 2016

The Board of County Commission (BOCC) for Washington County met in regular session on Monday, February 29th, 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. Denaë Jueneman, County Clerk, was present to record meeting minutes.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, March 7th, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

Chairman Ouellette called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Mueller made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included bills and payroll totaling \$223,539.29 and change orders 2015-216 to 2015-222 authorizing changes to the Treasurer's tax roll. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Jueneman reported back on inquiries made regarding the State of Kansas contract with Quest Diagnostics in handling lab testing. Jueneman found the Washington County Hospital would not be able to run the tests and be compensated from either the State of Kansas Health Plan or Quest Diagnostics. Commissioner Mueller reported he spoke with Dr. Roger Warren, Hanover Hospital Administrator, and Brittini Oehmke, Hanover Hospital Assistant Administrator, regarding lab draws at the Hanover Hospital. Both Warren and Oehmke stated they would be happy to work with Quest Diagnostics and perform lab draws and then forward the draw to Quest Diagnostics for testing.

Commissioner Mueller asked Jueneman to schedule the Fair Board on the agenda in the coming weeks. The BOCC asked Jueneman to schedule Deb Swoboda, Emergency Management Director, and Justin Cordry, Sheriff, in next weeks meeting.

Jueneman stated County surplus items have been moved out of the Courthouse and asked about holding a sale of the items. Chairman Ouellette said he would prefer to wait on the sale of the items until a decision is made on the sale of the land purchased to build a new County Health facility and then auction everything off at the same time.

The BOCC reviewed the Barnes Township annual report.

Katelyn Brockus, Livestock Production Agent, River Valley Extension District, asked the BOCC to use the Courthouse lawn in June for a class the extension office is offering. The BOCC approved the use of the Courthouse lawn.

Mary Oelschlager, Interim County Health Administrator, presented quotes from Blue Valley Telecommunications and Pugh Communications for wireless connectivity in the County Health Department. Commissioner Mueller made a motion to accept the bid from Blue Valley Telecommunications as the low bidder. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Duane Bruna, Environmental Science Director, presented three 1-year transfer station permits allowing applicants to collect and transport solid waste to the Washington County landfill. Commissioner Mueller made a motion to sign all three permits. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The BOCC told Bruna he could attend mandatory meetings and those that would fulfill his continuing education credit requirements. Bruna submitted departmental annual inventory listing. There was discussion about outside companies using the scale at the landfill. The BOCC agreed to allow Rogge Excavating use of the scale at the landfill for three months for a fee similar to that of what the grain elevators charge. Bruna announced Spring Clean Up days will be April 28th, 29th, and ½ day on the 30th. Summer help was discussed. The BOCC agreed to allow Bruna to hire 2 people for summer help.

Francine Crome, County Appraiser, gave information on grain elevator and agricultural land values for 2016. Crome offered a contract with Kimble Mapping, Inc. to perform Washington County's 2016 GIS map maintenance. Commissioner Mueller made a motion to sign the contract. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Justin Cordry, Sheriff, asked the BOCC to allow Deputy Elsasser to take DARE students to a Kansas City Royals game on May 4th with funds coming from the special alcohol and drug fund. Commissioner Otott made a motion to send DARE students to the Royals game. Commissioner Mueller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Mueller made a motion to

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enter into executive session for non-elected personnel and to include Cordry. Commissioner Otott seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. No action was taken upon returning to regular session.

Elizabeth Hiltgen, County Attorney, gave an update on the County's tax sale held last week.

Justin Novak, Road & Bridge Supervisor, requested permission to purchase a new motor for an asphalt roller. Since a new motor comes with a warranty, the BOCC agreed to purchase a new motor rather than over hauling the old motor. Novak reminded the BOCC the annual Township meeting will be held this Thursday, March 3rd.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

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(SEAL)

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Roger Otott, 2nd District Commissioner

Attest:

Dena Jueneman, County Clerk

Gary Ouellette, Chairman, 3rd District Commissioner