

COMMISSION MINUTES, FEBRUARY 3, 2014

The Board of County Commission for Washington County met in regular session on Monday, February 3, 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 Dimler, County Clerk, was present to record meeting minutes.

Next regular meeting will be Monday, February 10, 2014 at 8:30 A.M.

Chairman Mueller called the meeting to order.

Janice Kearn, County Health Administrator, discussed vehicle purchases with the Board. Commissioner Otott told Janice to check on available warranties with local dealers and if vehicles are purchased on auction. Janice reported on physical therapy contract rates for the Home Health Agency. The Board told Janice they viewed a property in Washington for the new location for the County Health Department. They asked Janice to look at the building and see if she thinks it would work for the department's new location.

Denae Dimler, County Clerk, presented bills and payroll totaling \$253,408.18. Denae presented a request from Washington County High School 2014 After Prom Committee. The Board approved and signed official minutes from January 27, 2014.

Duane Bruna, Environmental Science Director, informed the Board that "Free Days" at the Landfill will be April 24th, 25th and until noon on the 26th. Duane indicated that his department is looking at pouring cement in front of the recycling center.

Gloria Moore, Tourism Director, presented the January tourism report.

Justin Cordry, Sheriff, was unable to attend the meeting but called in to report there are currently 3 inmates in the jail.

John Forshee and Leslie Manning, KSU Research and Extension, reviewed K-State's publication reporting challenges facing Counties and what KSU Research and Extension is doing to assist in meeting those challenges. They reported that Kansas Crossroads Resource Conservation & Development Area Inc. is offering a Fairgrounds Improvement Planning & Grant Workshop in Concordia on February 20th to pursue possible funding sources to preserve and improve our fairground resources in North Central Kansas. They also requested the Board to consider support of \$700 for this fiscal year to be used toward projects.

David Willbrant, Public Works Administrator, presented weekly work report. Chairman Mueller told David that she had received some complaints that County roads were not bladed in a timely manner after the last snow fall so now many of those roads have a solid layer of ice on them. David said it is the department's policy if there is less than 3 inches of snow, the roads don't get bladed until the next work day. David said he would be more conscience of checking roads in the future. David said the chip spreader has been ordered. Several bridge structures and plans were discussed. David indicated that 16 bridges in the County need inspections to remain open and the inspections would cost approximately \$54,000. David said he has received back most of the right of way paperwork from landowners in the County who are being affected by the bridge grant construction. So far, all land owners have indicated they will donate the land to the County rather than receiving compensation from the County for the land.

Larry Bruna, Hutton Construction, stopped in to confirm the PBC meeting tomorrow.

Lou Kern, PBC Project Manager/Coordinator, presented a pay request from Health Facilities Group. The Board postponed signing the pay request until they receive further clarification on charges from Lou.

The Commissioners unanimously approved the following actions:

- To give Washington County High School \$100 toward 2014 After Prom.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

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(SEAL)

Alison Mueller, Chairman, 1st District Commissioner

Roger Otott, Vice Chairman, 2nd District Commissioner

Attest:

Danae Dimler, County Clerk

Gary Ouellette, 3rd District Commissioner