

COMMISSION MINUTES, MAY 27, 2014

The Board of County Commission for Washington County met in regular session on Tuesday, May 27, 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, June 2, 2014 at 8:30 A.M.

Chairman Mueller called the meeting to order.

Ed Henry, Twin Valley Developmental Services Inc., presented 2015 budget request.

Dimler presented bills and payroll totaling \$383,190.77.

Commissioners Otott and Ouellette discussed the bridge tour they took last week with David Willbrant, Public Works Administrator.

Dimler placed a call to the Sheriff's office to get a jail count. There are currently 4 Washington County inmates in the jail.

Duane Bruna, Environmental Science Director, contacted Schwab-Eaton Engineers to get a closure cost estimate. KDHE recommends a third party complete closure cost estimate worksheets and aid in the landfill permit process. Chairman Mueller signed payroll change notice for new hire Scott Miller. The Board told Bruna there were complaints about weeds and clover at the airport. Chairman Mueller said spraying needs to be done early in the spring so the memorial area looks nice for Memorial Day.

The Board received a Thank You from Linn 5th Grade class for allowing their class to attend the Kansas City Royals game with Deputy Elssasser.

Janice Kearn, County Health Administrator, presented drawings for a health department facility being relocated to an existing building and plans for building a new facility. Kearn said she would like the opportunity to draft a proposal for a wellness program for County employees if the Board decides to implement such policy. Chairman Mueller questioned if the cost of the program would outweigh the benefits. Chairman Mueller signed a payroll change notice for Kristy Beikmann who has completed her 6 month probation period.

Willbrant presented weekly work report. Willbrant and the Board reviewed fracture critical bridges and the results of the bridge tour last week. They discussed possibly closing the following five bridges: Eagle and .1 mile north of 20th Road, 21st Road and .2 miles east of Liberty, 7th Road and .6 miles west of Heritage, 9th Road and .5 miles east of King, Liberty and .4 miles south of 7th Road. They also discussed looking for alternative solutions to closing these bridges. The Board asked David to check into the feasibility of building low-use bridges around railroad cars as Dickinson County is doing with some of their infrequently used bridges.

Elizabeth Hiltgen, County Attorney, discussed various issues with the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 P.M.

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(SEAL)

Alison Mueller, Chairman, 1st District Commissioner

Roger Otott, Vice Chairman, 2nd District Commissioner

Attest:

Denae Dimler, County Clerk

Gary Ouellette, 3rd District Commissioner