

REMEMBER THE ELECTION CANVAS IS AT 2:00.

ELK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APPROVED MINUTES

April 8, 2013

4:00 p.m. Call to Order

Minutes Approval

Regular Meeting of March 25, 2013

4:10 p.m. -- Department Reports

Ambulance

Appraiser

Economic Development

Emergency Preparedness

Health

Maintenance

Recycling

Register of Deeds

Road & Bridge

Rural Fire

Sheriff

County Clerk

Old Business

C&D Landfill Expansion

Courthouse Carpet

Employee Handbook

Handicap Entrance

New Business

4:45 p.m. – Ben Clubine, Road Drainage Problem

5:00 p.m. – Fair Housing Proclamation

5:15 p.m. –

5:30 p.m. –

5:45 p.m. –

6:00 p.m. –

Public Forum follows New Business

Presentation of Claims

Other

Adjournment

Commissioners Present:

Douglas C. Ritz, District I

Gary D. Hebb, District II

K.R. Liebau, District III

County Counselor: Paul Dean

County Clerk: Vicky Wedman

Others:

Earnest Lackey, Road
Kenneth Mitchell, EMS
Jim Criger, Rural Fire
Neva L. Walter, Reg of Deeds
Joe Love, Maintenance
Karen Spencer, Appraiser
Jennifer Montgomery, Econ Dev
Byrdee Miller-Marcic, Emg Prep
Deanna Jones, Treasurer
Kandy Dowell, Health

Barbara Clubine
Richard Marcic
Todd Winscher
Charles Brown
Micky Wunderlich
Jim Lane, Recycling
William Bischof, Recycling
Ben Clubine
Nancy Liebau
Robin Rivers

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Doug Ritz at 4:02 p.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse. Commissioners Ritz, Hebb and Liebau were present, as well as, County Counselor Paul Dean and County Clerk Vicky Wedman.

Minutes Approval

Commissioner Liebau moved to approve the regular minutes of March 25th as revised. Commissioner Hebb seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Ben Clubine

Ben Clubine said he has a drainage problem from his neighbors land. He presented a diagram and pictures showing damage that has occurred to his land from the water. He would like the county to put in a bigger tube to keep the water on the north side of the road. Hebb suggested he talk with the ASCS office regarding putting a waterway in. The commissioners will go by the area and review the situation.

Ambulance Report

The EMS had 90 runs in March with the collections totaling \$19,680.73. Kenneth Mitchell said he will be attending a director's level meeting in Parsons April 26th called "Managing an EMS Disaster". He has changed cell phone carriers from Verizon to US Cellular, on the same account as the Sheriff and Health Department. Commissioner Ritz suggested the EMS consider charging for false runs. Mitchell said they will be raising the EMS standby rate.

Appraiser Report

Karen Spencer said she will be attending the appraisers' yearly meeting in Wichita June 3-5. Spencer said she and Jennifer are still working on getting the tax sale information on the website. It was the commissioners' consensus that all properties will sell. The date of the sale is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, July 2nd. Connie Hey from the appraiser's office will be there to notarize documents.

Economic Development Report

Jennifer Montgomery presented the commissioners with a letter from SCKEDD and a brochure explaining Community Development Block Grants. She asked the commissioners if they wanted

to talk about the Rural Opportunity Zone. Montgomery was asked to get a copy of the ROZ application for the commissioners to review. Montgomery said two students who went to the Lawrence Art Center in March were interviewed for a magazine out of Lawrence regarding their experience. Montgomery said she is working with three clients. Two of the clients have one big project that should be completed in May. The other project should bring 1500 – 2000 people to our county in September. Montgomery has a “Fabulous Finds” meeting Wednesday to begin planning the September event.

Health Report

Commissioner Ritz asked if Kandy had any bids on a new vehicle. She is to get together with Jim Criger regarding bids he gets on his vehicles. The commissioners had decided to trade the current health vehicle in but Ritz is wondering about maybe getting sealed bids.

Maintenance Report

Joe Love said Alan’s Carpet & Flooring has been notified they received the bid but he has not heard when they will start the work. Mark Cookson did not recommend the epoxy for the Commissioners Room. He recommended paint. Love is to paint the non carpeted rooms. Commissioner Ritz reviewed some maintenance projects with Love.

Recycling Report

Lane reported they can now recycle window glass and some types of carpet. Lane said Sonoco mailed a check for only approximately half the amount expected. The commissioners gave permission for Lane to pay to copy colored flyers for Spring Clean-up Day and purchase a case of water and a pizza for his volunteer workers. Lane said he has a trailer he can borrow for the e-waste. It is the same one he has borrowed the last three years. He asked permission to fix the lights on the trailer. Commissioner Ritz said to get lights on it.

Register of Deeds Report

Neva Walter reported the Register of Deeds Office handled 47 instruments in March for a total deposit of \$1,098.16.

Road & Bridge Report

Counselor Paul Dean suggested Earnest Lackey routinely send a letter out by certified mail to AT&T (or any utility where placement is in the road right-of-way) stating when the road project is to start and that they need to relocate their lines before that date. Lackey said every time he goes out of town his credit card shuts off. County Clerk Wedman is to request the fuel limit be changed to \$500 on the credit cards.

County Clerk

The County Clerk’s Office is signed up to do a free WebEx training on Neighborhood Revitalization May 2nd through CIC. County Clerk Wedman requested a ten minute executive session to discuss personal information of nonelected individuals regarding unemployment claims. Wedman also said the commissioners did not sign a road closing resolution for the last road closing. Paul Dean is to take care of it.

Rural Fire

Jim Criger discussed with the commissioners false fire runs.

Fair Housing Proclamation

County Clerk Wedman presented a proclamation for signature declaring April as Fair Housing Month. Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Hebb seconded the motion to approve publishing the proclamation. Motion carried 3-0.

Interlocal Agreements for Cities

Counselor Paul Dean handed out interlocal agreement letters to the cities for the commissioners to review. The interlocal agreement letters are Re: Distribution of Local Alcohol Liquor Funds to the Cities of Elk County to be Utilized Pursuant to K.S.A. 79-41a05.

Kansas Health Fund Agreement

Counselor Paul Dean presented an agreement between Elk County and the Elk County Community and Education Foundation (ECCEF) to transfer the remaining Kansas Health Foundation Recognition Grant funds to ECCEF to manage the funds for their designated purpose of the Elk Konnected Day Camp. Commissioner Liebau moved to sign the agreements and Commissioner Hebb seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Counselor Paul Dean will present the agreement to Marjean Jacobs, ECCEF President, for signature.

Public Forum

William Bischof complained about pasture water runoff going across the road in front of his house.

Commissioner Ritz presented complaints against the Economic Development office regarding office presence and the County Clerk's office regarding election ballots. He also had complaints against the Appraiser's Office and the Sheriff's office which he did not present since they were not present.

Executive Session

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Hebb seconded the motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes with the County Clerk to discuss personal information of nonelected individuals regarding unemployment claims starting at 5:58 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 6:06 p.m. with no action taken.

Warrants Approval

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Hebb seconded the motion to approve warrants in the amount of \$144,070.89. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll Approval

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Hebb seconded the motion to approve the Payroll for March in the amount of \$172,826.74, which includes employee benefits. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

The commissioners adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

Vicky D. Wedman, County Clerk

Douglas C. Ritz, Chairman

Gary D. Hebb, District II

K.R. Liebau, District III