

ELK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
APPROVED MINUTES  
February 24, 2014

1:00 p.m. - Regularly Scheduled Meeting

1:00 p.m. - Call to Order

Minutes Approval - Regular Meeting of February 10, 2014

1:10 p.m. - Department Reports

(Department Head meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday/monthly; 8 AM; Commissioners Room)

Ambulance

Appraiser

Emergency Preparedness

Health

Maintenance

Recycling

Register of Deeds

Road & Bridge

Rural Fire

Sheriff

Treasurer

County Counselor

County Clerk

Old Business

County Credit Card

Road Closing Requests

New Business

1:30 p.m. – Franco Olivier, Power Group Companies, regarding Health Insurance

1:45 p.m. – Shirley Black, Clock Tower - CANCELLED

2:00 p.m. – Joe O'Rourke of New Beginnings, KanCare Update

2:15 p.m. –

2:30 p.m. –

Public Forum

Presentation of Claims

Other

Adjournment

Commissioners Present:  
Douglas C. Ritz, District I  
Gary D. Hebb, District II  
K.R. Liebau, District III

County Clerk: Vicky D. Wedman  
County Counselor: Paul Dean

Others Present:

Joe Love, Maintenance  
Byrdee Miller-Marcic, Emg Prep  
Rachel Ware, Treasurer  
Connie Hey, Appraiser  
Jeremy McCully, Appraiser  
Ken Mitchell, EMS  
Neva L. Walter, Reg Deeds  
Kandy Dowell, Health  
Earnest Lackey, Road

L. W. Ross  
Richard Marcic  
Priscilla Rivers  
Kevin Wray  
Fran Wray  
Robin Rivers  
Micky Wunderlich  
William Bischof, Recycling

Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order by Commissioner Liebau at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse. Commissioners Hebb, Liebau and Ritz were present, as well as, County Clerk Vicky Wedman. County Counselor Paul Dean arrived at 1:05.

Minutes Approval

Commissioner Ritz moved and Commissioner Hebb seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the February 10th regular meeting with changes. Motion carried 3-0.

Ambulance

Kenneth Mitchell said the factory will not put a grill guard on the ambulance because they say there is a possibility it may interfere with the air bag sensors. The salesman is checking into doing it after market.

Appraiser

Jeremy McCully says the Appraisers Department is finishing up values and should be done this week. He said there is about a 6% increase in assessed values. The method of valuation for the wind farm towers has been changed to the site valuation method, which is the common method in the state.

Emergency Preparedness

Byrdee Miller-Marcic said a storm spotter's exercise is scheduled for Thursday night. She also said the National Weather Service will be at the Cox Building March 10<sup>th</sup> for their annual presentation.

Health

Kandy Dowell said she and Jane from the Health Department, Byrdee Miller-Marcic from Emergency Preparedness, and Robert Smith from the Sheriffs Office attended the Active Shooter Workshop in Parsons.

Recycling

William Bischof requested permission to buy lumber to build a container to use in the baler to allow him to bale the aluminum cans. He still hasn't found a truck yet.

### Register of Deeds

Neva Walter said Mid Continent Restoration has finished with her books and is currently working on putting the Clerk's books on CD and microfilm.

### Design Mechanical

Joe Love said Design Mechanical reset the default temperature and the boiler in the jail is now running great. Joe has been working with Cookson's and John Gray to get pricing on the Health Department generator.

### Courthouse Circle Drive

Commissioner Ritz suggested the proposed drive be flagged to make sure the proposal will work. Joe said he will get with Ken Mitchell and they'll drive an ambulance through the flags and make sure a large vehicle can make the turns.

### Power Group

Franco Olivier of Power Group Companies asked permission to gather information and give the county some health insurance proposals. The commissioners agreed.

### Road Department

It was the consensus of the commissioners to void the AT&T telephone bill for \$763.38 billed to the county for lines being cut by the Road Department that were not buried deep enough. Earnie Lackey presented bids from Foley, Berry and Murphy Tractor & Equipment for an excavator. Commissioner Ritz moved and Commissioner Hebb seconded the motion to purchase a John Deere 180G LC excavator with 803 hours on it from Murphy Tractor for \$112,000.00. Motion carried 3-0. Lackey was asked to get written finance estimates for 3 to 5 year financing. Commissioner Hebb presented a road complaint from a bus driver on Rock Road east of Hwy 99.

### New Beginnings

Joe O'Rourke introduced Terra Cunningham as New Beginnings new CEO Director. He also discussed some legislative issues.

### Treasurer – Nothing to report

### County Counselor

Counselor Paul Dean said he sent the County Clerk a copy of the "Post Accident Drug Testing Consent and Release" being added to the Employee Handbook to be forward to the Department Heads for review. Counselor Dean said the Marc Abel property contract to purchase 2 ½ acres in order to do bridge work is almost complete.

### Road Closing Request

County Counselor Paul Dean recommended not closing the road per the Rankin Road Request. The commissioners decided not to continue with the road closing unless further information regarding the necessity of closing the road is received.

Inventory Lists

The Clerk has not received all the inventory lists from the departments for end of year 2013.

Public Forum

Byrdee Miller-Marcic asked what Commissioner Liebau wanted to see on the County website. After further discussion, it was decided that Information Specialties Corporation would give a website presentation at the next meeting.

Warrants Approval

Commissioner Ritz moved and Commissioner Hebb seconded the motion to approve the warrants in the amount of \$64,427.78 (excludes check #26838). Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

Commissioner Ritz moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:35 p.m. Commissioner Hebb seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ATTEST:

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Vicky D. Wedman, Co Clerk

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K.R. Liebau, Chairman

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Douglas C. Ritz, District I

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Gary D. Hebb, District II