

ELK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Approved Minutes

March 9, 2015

Regularly Scheduled Meeting

1:00 p.m. - Call to Order

Minutes Approval – Regular Minutes of February 23

1:10 p.m. – Department Reports

(Department Head meetings: 8 AM; Thursday before each Commissioner Meeting)

Ambulance

Appraiser

Emergency Preparedness

Health

Maintenance

Recycling

Register of Deeds

Road & Weed

Rural Fire

Sheriff

Treasurer

County Counselor

County Clerk

IT Dept

Old Business:

SEK Meeting

Wage Scale

Road Closing Petition

New Business

1:30 p.m. –

1:45 p.m. – Executive Session to Discuss Nonelected Personnel (Rachel)

2:00 p.m. – Set date of election canvass to April 13th

2:15 p.m. –

2:30 p.m. –

Abatements –

Public Forum

Presentation of Claims

Other

Adjournment

Future Events: March 21st– County Auction

March 25th – SEK Meeting in Girard

April 13th – Road Closing Viewing and Hearing

April 25th – Household Hazardous Waste Cleanup

September 24th – Hosting SEK Meeting

Attendance:

Commissioners Present:
Shari Kaminska, District I
Gary D. Hebb, District II
K.R. Liebau, District III

Deputy County Clerk: Kerry E. Mott
County Counselor: Paul Dean

Others:

Byrdee Miller, Emg Prep
Barbara Clubine
Robin Haines
John Black
Ken Mitchell, EMS
Gene Walter
Sharon Wagner, Road
L.W. Ross
Neva Walter, Register of Deeds
Doug Ritz

E. Lackey, Road
Connie Hey, Appraiser
William Bischof, Recycling
Travis Clinesmith
Bo Downing
Jim Criger, Rural Fire
Tony Jones
Robert Abney
Kevin Wray, ISC
Fran Wray, ISC

Call to Order

Chairman Gary D. Hebb called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse. Commissioners Kaminska, Liebau and Hebb were all present, as well as, Deputy County Clerk Kerry Mott and County Counselor Paul Dean.

Minutes Approval

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 23rd as corrected. Motioned carried 3-0.

Road & Bridge

Ernie Lackey introduced Robert Abney and Tony Young with Foley Equipment and Travis Clinesmith with John Deere to the commissioners. Mr. Young presented bids and specs for the Caterpillar 12M3 all wheel drive and the Caterpillar 120 All wheel drive motor graders. Mr. Abney presented a price to rebuild the County's 2006 Caterpillar 140 VHP Plus, this machine is also up for the buyback option. Mr. Clinesmith presented bids and specs on the 672 John Deere motor grader. All bids are good for 30 days. No action was taken at this time. Commissioner Kaminska asked Mr. Lackey to look at the culvert on the west side of the road south of Killdeer on Road 27 going into Kelsey Cody property. Sharon Wagner handed in February report which had no sales.

Farm Bureau

Bo Downing President, John Black Vice President, Gene Walter Secretary, and Barbara Clubine of Elk County Farm Bureau presented a proclamation to the commissioners to proclaim March as Kansas Agricultural Month and March 18th Kansas Agricultural Day. Mr. Downing stated March is also Neighbor to Neighbor State Food Drive month, which Elk County Farm Bureau was pleased to donate \$100.00 to the Elk County Ministerial Alliance Food Party represented by Robin Haines. Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to proclaim March as Kansas Agricultural month and March 18th as Kansas Agricultural Day. Motion carried 3-0.

Ambulance

Ken Mitchell presented his monthly report for February, 22 runs with the collections totaling \$24,656.00. Mr. Mitchell also stated there are two new EMTs in Longton with their own truck willing to work as volunteers for Elk County in the Longton area. This vehicle will not be used as a transport vehicle. The volunteers will only get compensation if they go on an ambulance run.

Appraiser

No business to discuss.

Emergency Preparedness

Byrdee Miller informed the Commissioners that we missed out on the Airport Improvement Grant at this time but we are still in the running for it in the future. Ms. Miller and also 3 or 4 other individuals will be going to Parsons March 11, 2015 for the regional exercise.

Health

Kandy Dowell stated it was time again to apply for the state formula and immunization grant. Ms. Dowell needs the chairman's signature and the commissioner's approval. Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to approve Ms. Dowell to apply for the state formula and immunization grant from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. Motion carried 3-0.

Maintenance

No business to discuss.

Recycling

William Bischof stated on March 6th they took 3560 pounds of recyclables to Fredonia. There are currently twenty-five bales of cardboard. Mr. Bischof also stated April 25, 2015 will be the E-waste pickup date.

Register of Deeds

Neva Walter handed in her report for February. The office handled 36 instruments for a total deposit of \$1,816.76.

Noxious Weed

Sharon Wagner handed in her report for February, which there were not any sales.

Rural Fire

Jim Criger stated the new truck is running a little behind schedule from being equipped.

Sheriff

No business to discuss.

Treasurer

Rachel Ware stated she would be on vacation all next week.

County Counselor

Paul Dean informed the Commissioners that the County sale has been rescheduled to May 16, 2015. Mr. Dean has also started working on the county tax sale.

Clerk

Kerry Mott informed the Commissioners that County Clerk Vicky Wedman will be out of the office March 11 thru March 22, 2015.

IT

Kevin Wray said they were still working on a few things in the infrastructure, but other than that everything was ok.

Public Forum

Bo Downing an Ag teacher from Longton stated U.S.D. 283 is going to have a couple of opening for teachers and wanted to know if the county participated in the Rural Opportunities Zones in Kansas which helps with student loan and income tax forgiveness. Commissioner Kaminska stated the County is an active participant in this program for the student loan forgiveness but there is a waiting list for the applicants.

SEK Meeting

The County will have five people as of now attending the SEK meeting March 25, 2015.

Wage Committee

The committee will be having an open meeting March 19, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room to discuss changes in the wage scale for the Elk County employees. Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to have a special meeting to set the wage scale for Elk County employees March 12, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners room. Motion carried 3-0.

Executive Session 2:00 p.m. – 2:10 p.m.

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to go into executive session with Counselor Paul Dean and County Treasurer Rachel Ware for 10 minutes to discuss nonelected personnel. Motion carried 3-0.

Canvass

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion for the canvass of the April 7, 2015 City/School election will be April 13, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. in the Commissioners room. Motion carried 3-0.

Warrants

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to approve the warrants in the amount of \$157,909.99. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to approve the February payroll in the amount of \$136,313.83. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

Commissioner Kaminska moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 p.m. Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ATTEST:

Kerry E. Mott, Deputy County Clerk

Gary D. Hebb, Chairman

Shari Kaminska, District I

K.R. Liebau, District III