

ELK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Approved Minutes
November 30, 2015

Regularly Scheduled Meeting

1:00p.m. - Call to Order
Minutes Approval – Regular Minutes of November 9, 2015
Special Meeting of November 23, 2015

1:10 p.m - Public Forum

1:20 p.m. Department of Commerce, Craig VanWey

2:00 p.m. – Department Reports
(Department Head meetings: 8 AM; Thursday before each Commissioner Meeting)

Old Business:
Wage Scale

New Business
2:15 p.m. – Rural Fire Chief Appmt
2:30 p.m. – EMS Directorship Pay
3:00 p.m. – Executive Session Regarding nonelected personnel (Requested by Joe Love)
3:15 p.m. – Four County Mental Health Letter of Support
3:20 p.m. – Elk County Council on Aging Letter of Support

Abatements
Presentation of Claims
Other
Adjournment

Future Events: December 14 – Employee Christmas Party, 11:00 @ Poplar Pizza

Commissioners Present:

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

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

Others:

Kenneth Mitchel, EMS Director
Neva Walter, Register of Deeds
Jim Criger, Rural Fire
Larry Mitchell
Becky Oakleaf

Kimberly Dupois
William Bischof, Recycling
Rachel Ware, Treasurer
Susan Morgan

Call to Order

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

Minutes Approval

Commissioner Liebau moved to approve the minutes of November 9th with corrections. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Kaminska and carried 3-0.

Commissioner Kaminska moved to approve the special minutes of November 23rd with corrections. Motion died from lack of second.

Public Forum– None.

Kansas Department of Commerce

Craig VanWey spoke regarding business development and community development. He said the Kansas Small Business Development Center (KSBDC) is one of the most valuable resources for our county. Any existing small business or individual interested in starting a business may receive assistance. He said Dean Claycamp is the representative in our area. VanWey will get his contact information to the County.

Ambulance Department– No business to discuss.

Register of Deeds

Neva Walter said she has repaired three more books. Commissioner Liebau suggested she check into digitalizing her deed books.

Rural Fire

Jim Criger said the truck from Mayfield is in Moline getting the lettering painted on. He also said Emergency Fire stood the cost of pulling the tank and getting it fixed.

Recycling

Bill Bischof said he has determined it is not feasible to pick the cardboard up at Tripco. He reported hauling 4020 lbs. of recycling to Fredonia for a total of 51,300 lbs.

Rural Fire Chief Appointment

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Hebb seconded the motion to appoint Doug Ritz as Rural Fire Chief effective January 1, 2016. Motion passed 2-0 (Commissioner Liebau voting no).

Vision Care Direct

The employees will be offered 4 vision plans to choose from under Vision Care Direct.

Abatement

Commissioner Liebau moved to approve Abatement 2015-43. Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Recess (2:42 – 2:52 p.m.)

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to recess for 10 minutes beginning at 2:42 p.m. and returning to regular session at 2:52 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Executive Session

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to go into executive session to protect the privacy of nonelected personnel beginning at 2:52 p.m. with Connie Hey, Counselor Paul Dean, and County Clerk Vicky Wedman in attendance. Motion carried 3-0.

Regular Session– Resumed at 3:02 p.m.

Executive Session

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes with Counselor Paul Dean and Kenneth Mitchell in attendance specifically to discuss employer/employee negotiations from 3:02 to 3:17 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Regular Session

Resumed at 3:17 p.m.

Executive Action

Christina Miller will be starting in the Appraisers Office on Tuesday, December 1, 2015, at a rate of \$11.00/hr.

Raise

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to raise Penny Beliveau's hourly rate to \$9.50/hr. Motion carried 3-0.

Four County Mental Health

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to sign the letter of support for their operating assistance grant. Motion carried 3-0.

Elk County Council on Aging

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to sign the letter of support for the Elk County Council on Aging transportation grant. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Kaminska said Lawrence Jontra is the current representative on the State Council on Aging and would like to be replaced.

Printer Purchase

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to replace the printer in the Treasurer's office for less than \$400.00 and to pay it out of the County Equipment Reserve fund. Motion carried 3-0.

Executive Session

Commissioner Kaminska moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss nonelected personnel specifically for employer/employee negotiations with County Counselor Paul Dean in attendance and County Clerk Vicky Wedman included briefly starting at 3:40 p.m. Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Regular Session

Resumed at 3:55 p.m.

Executive Action

Commissioner Kaminska moved to terminate the employment of Earnest Lackey as Road Supervisor. Motion died from lack of a second.

Warrants

Commissioner Liebau moved to pay the bills in the amount of \$100,431.83. Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll Approval

Commissioner Kaminska moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$141,267.71. Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to adjourn at 3:58 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

ATTEST:

Vicky D. Wedman
Elk County Clerk

Gary D. Hebb, Chairman

Shari Kaminska, District I

K.R. Liebau, District II