

ELK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Approved Minutes

August 8, 2016

Regularly Scheduled Meeting

1:00 p.m. - Call to Order

Minutes Approval – July 25th Regular Meeting

1:10 p.m. Public Forum

1:20 p.m. – Department Reports

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

Old Business:

Rural Fire - tower on Jim Perkins' land

Wage Scale

Howard Twilight Manor

Policy for Guns in Courthouse

New Business

2:00 p.m. – Legislative Changes (Jeremy McCully)

2:15 p.m. – Start Up of Substance Abuse Center in Sedan (Charity)

2:30 p.m. – Budget Approval

2:45 p.m. –

Abatements:

Presentation of Claims

Other

Adjournment

Future Events: August 26th - S.E.K. Fall Meeting @ Hamilton High School

Commissioners Present:

Shari Kaminska, District I

K.R. Liebau, District III

County Clerk: Vicky D. Wedman

County Counselor: Paul Dean

Others:

Neva L. Walter, Reg of Deeds

Kenneth Mitchell, EMS

Kandy Dowell, Health

Joe Love, Maintenance

Earnest Lackey, Road Sup

Sharon Wagner, Road Dept.

L. W. Ross

Byrdee Miller, Emg Prep

Randy Lee

David Evans

Alan Coble

William Bischof, Recycling

Don Sanders, Road Foreman

Kimberly Dupuis, EMS

Barbara Clubine

Charity Kossing

Call to Order

Chairman Shari Kaminska called the regular meeting of August 8, 2016 to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Commission Room of the Courthouse. Commissioners Kaminska, and Liebau were present, as well as, County Clerk Vicky Wedman and Counselor Paul Dean.

Minutes Approval

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to approve the regular minutes of July 25, 2016 as presented. Motion carried 2-0.

Agenda Additions

Commissioner Kaminska requested to add SCKEDD to the agenda and Clerk Vicky Wedman requested to add an executive session to discuss nonelected personnel.

Public Forum

Barbara Clubine asked if residents need to call in controlled burns all year round or just during spring pasture burning season. Residents are asked to notify the Sheriff's Office year round to prevent the rural fire department being called out on false runs.

Commissioner Kaminska commended the Longton Elk County Free Fair Association and congratulated the 4-H Fair members for a job well done.

County Commissioner Kaminska said there was a 3-0 vote to publish the county budget on August 29th at the budget meeting, but because notification was sent out that it was only a budget workshop, it is on the agenda again today.

Ambulance

Kenneth Mitchell presented the Ambulance Department's monthly report for July. They had 24 runs for a total of \$9,440.39 in collections. Justin Luechtefeld has resigned from the EMS department.

Register of Deeds

Neva Walter turned in the Register of Deeds report for July. There were 48 instruments recorded with a total deposit of \$2,661.23.

Recycling

William Bischof reported Recycling has 17 bales of cardboard ready. Merk is currently quoting \$80 /ton for cardboard bales.

Maintenance

Joe Love said he has hired Nora Townsley for part time cleaning of the courthouse.

He has the lumber to begin the repairs at the Moline Road Shop back wall.

Love presented quotes from Foley Cat for load testing and maintenance service of both generators. Commissioner Kaminska moved to enter into the proposed annual load testing and maintenance agreement with Foley Cat for the Sheriff Department and annex generators in the amount of \$2,265.12. Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion and it passed 2-0.

Appraiser

Jeremy McCully said the Appraiser's truck thermostat is sticking and there are two chips in the windshield that need repaired. There are also issues with one of the automatic windows and he needs to purchase two new tires. The commissioners told him to proceed with the repairs.

Emergency Preparedness

Byrdee Miller said she attended the after action debriefing in Greenwood County regarding the tornado. She said she will be working on a presentation for all of the responders later on this year. Miller also reported the airport grant money has been received.

Road Department

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to sign the agreement with the State Secretary of Transportation to authorize the county road signage project for the west side of the county. Motion carried 2-0.

Earnest Lackey said he has inquired with Martin Tannahill of Dickinson County about the mastic asphalt coating. He said that there is a lot of preparation before you can apply the mastic. Every crack needs sealed, every bad spot needs taken out and replaced and then the mastic is applied. Tannahill said the cost of material is about 1/3 the cost of asphalt. Dickinson County has the equipment to make the repairs and apply the mastic. They applied the mastic to a 3 mile stretch of light traffic area last year, which seems to be working well, and this year are working on a 30 mile stretch of high traffic area.

Commissioner Kaminska requested brush and trees be removed from Busby Cemetery corner and Limestone Road at the Quarry exit as visibility is obstructed and some near accidents have occurred. Kaminska also said there are washouts on Limestone Road between Road 23 and

Road 26 that need repaired, as well as, at the Quarry exit. Hwy 160 and Road 24 needs a road sign replaced and the Johnson grass North of Upola needs sprayed.

Russell Peyton has resigned from the Road Department.

Appraiser

Jeremy McCully discussed some State legislative changes that affect the Appraiser's office.

Policy for weapons in the Workplace

Counselor Paul Dean is to work up a weapons policy for the Employee Handbook.

Howard Twilight Manor Purchase

Counselor Paul Dean said the boundaries have been established. The property is to be called the County Annex. Title insurance will be valued at one million dollars.

Wage Scale – No discussion

County 2017 Budget

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to approve the proposed County Budget for publication with the hearing set for August 29, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. Motion carried 2-0.

City on the Hill

Charity Kossin was present to discuss the start up of a substance abuse in Sedan which is hoping to open by September 1, 2016.

Break

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to break at 2:39 to 2:50 p.m. Motion carried 2-0.

Road Closing Viewing

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to schedule a road closing viewing at Junebug and Road 9 September 12th at 10:30 a.m., the hearing to be at 1:00 on the same day. Motion carried 2-0.

SCKEDD

Commissioner Kaminska reported the South Central Kansas Economic Development District said the county is a good candidate for grant funding if they want to reapply.

KAC Conference

Commissioner Kaminska said the Kansas Association of Counties conference in November cost \$270.00 for her to attend. She had previously reported it would be at no cost.

Executive Session

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss nonelected personal issues with County Clerk Vicky Wedman and Counselor Paul Dean in attendance. Motion carried 2-0. Executive session began at 3:10 p.m. and resumed to regular session at 3:15 p.m.

Warrants

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to approve the warrants in the amount of \$127,789.12. Motion carried 2-0.

Executive Session Action

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to approve Lori Winscher a wage increase from \$10.50 - \$11.00, retroactive to her one year anniversary date of March 23, 2016. Motion carried 2-0.

Payroll Approval

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to approve July payroll in the amount of \$190,753.49. Motion carried 2-0.

Adjournment

Commissioner Liebau moved to adjourn at 3:24 p.m. Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion and it passed 2-0.

ATTEST:

Shari Kaminska, Chairman

Vicky D. Wedman
Elk County Clerk

K.R. Liebau, District III