

Hamilton County Commissioners' Meeting
P.O. Box 1167
Syracuse, KS 67878
Meeting Place - Commissioner Room
Hamilton County Courthouse
May 5, 2015
8:30 a.m.

Keith A. Puckett, Chairman
Randall C. Braddock, Commissioner
Michael W. Lewis, Commissioner
Rob Gale, Attorney
Debra Lampe, Deputy County Clerk

Commissioner Puckett called the Meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. with three Commissioners present.

AGENDA: Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PRIOR MINUTES: Commissioner Braddock moved to approve the April 21, 2015 Commissioner Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC CONCERNS: None.

Attorney Gale joined the meeting at 8:35 a.m.

SDSI: Mark Hinde with Southwest Developmental Services, Inc. presented his organization's request for a 2016 appropriation to the Commissioners.

RCDC: Jill Reagle with Russell Child Development Center presented the Commissioners her organization's request for a 2016 appropriation. RCDC provided services to 126 children in Hamilton County last year.

WESTERN KS CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER: Vicki Hubin with Western Kansas Child Advocacy Center explained the services they offer to children in Hamilton County. They provided services two times to Hamilton County in the last year.

KERSTIN MITCHELL: Ms. Mitchell, Rural Operations Administrative Assistant, presented a right of way permit submitted by Pioneer Communications to place buried copper and 12 pair cable parallel to Road Y. Commissioner Braddock moved to approve the Right of Way Permit submitted by Pioneer Communications to place buried copper and 12 pair cable parallel to Road Y. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. Also, Ms. Mitchell presented the 2015 KDOT Federal Fund Exchange Program Agreement. Hamilton County is eligible to receive \$53,418.08. Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the KDOT Federal Fund Exchange Program Agreement as presented. Commissioner Puckett seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. Ms. Mitchell also presented the latest update for the Landfill Excavation Project for cells 7 & 11. Commissioner Lewis moved to accept the Landfill Excavation Project for cells 7 & 11 as presented. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

CHRIS LUND: Mr. Lund, with City on a Hill, explained the services the organization provides to Hamilton County and Southwest Kansas and presented his request for a 2016 appropriation.

NIKI MAY: Niki May, with Kennedy and McKee, presented the Commissioners the amount of 12/31/2014 unused budget authority and discussed the transfer options. Commissioner Braddock moved to transfer \$354,874.00 to the Capital Outlay Fund. Commissioner Lewis seconded and the motion and it was unanimously approved.

RICHARD GARZA: Sheriff Garza presented a program designed for law enforcement to teach the Sheriff's Office employees Spanish. Commissioner Lewis moved to pay \$3,000.00 from the Diversion Fund and the remainder of the course costs to be paid from the Sheriff's budget. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Lewis moved for a 5-minute executive session for matters pertaining to non-elected personnel with the Commissioners, the County Attorney and Sheriff Garza present. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. The executive session began at 10:50 a.m. and the regular meeting resumed at 10:55 a.m.

5-YEAR PLAN: The windows project for the Health Department and Donahue Building will be discussed at the May 12, 2015 Commissioner meeting. Commissioner Puckett shared photos showing the soil erosion around the steps at the Donahue building. Carla Patchett, Courthouse Custodian, will look at the steps and report back to the commissioners.

ROAD PROJECT LIST: The Road Project List was reviewed.

ROAD COMMITTEE REPORT: Commissioner Braddock reported the crew is hauling caliche on the first mile and one half of Road B and will lay the caliche as soon as the weather permits.

BURN BAN: Commissioner Lewis moved to lift the burn ban that is currently in force in Hamilton County. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

WARRANTS: After review, Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the Warrants in the amount of \$118,308.59. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

HOSPITAL NO-FUND WARRANTS: None.

COMMISSIONER REPORT: Commissioner Lewis reported there will be an EMS Volunteer appreciation hamburger cookout at the Tamarisk Golf Course on Saturday, May 9, 2015. Joe House, State Director of EMS Services will be in attendance.

As there was no more business to come before the meeting, Commissioner Lewis moved for adjournment. Commissioner Braddock seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

ATTEST:

County Clerk

Commissioner

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