

Hamilton County Commissioners' Meeting  
P.O. Box 1167  
Syracuse, KS 67878  
Meeting Place—Commissioner Room  
Hamilton County Courthouse  
October 21, 2014  
8:30 a.m.

Keith A. Puckett, Chairman  
John R. Simon, Vice-Chairman  
Randall C. Braddock, Commissioner  
Michael W. Lewis, Commissioner  
Nikki Schwerdfeger, Commissioner  
Rob Gale, Attorney  
Angie Moser, County Clerk

Vicki Valentine

Commissioner Puckett called the Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with all 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 October 14, 2014 Commissioner Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was approved with four “ayes” and one abstention.

**PUBLIC CONCERNS:** Vicki Valentine discussed her concerns regarding the East River Road. There are a few spots from her house to Highway 27 that get really slick when it rains and she almost got stuck. Also, there is still some Johnson Grass that needs sprayed in the ditch by her driveway

**RICHARD GARZA:** Commissioner Puckett moved for a 15-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 8:40 a.m. and the regular meeting resumed at 8:55 a.m.

**5-YEAR PLAN:** The 5-year plan was reviewed. The Commissioners asked Kerstin Mitchell, County Zoning Administrator, to provide them and Leslie Carlholm a list of building permits and any zoning requests.

**ROAD PROJECT LIST:** The Road Project List was reviewed. Commissioner Braddock informed the Road Crew plans to start working on Road B next week. They will use gravel from the airport pit.

**ROAD COMMITTEE REPORT:** Discussed when a Road Department employee fills in at the Landfill. It was decided to have the person covering the Landfill to take a day off during the week to avoid overtime. Also, on the day they are working at the Landfill, they will work the normal Landfill hours.

**EMS DIRECTOR RESIGNATION:** The County Clerk presented a letter of resignation she received from Kenneth Smith, Hamilton County EMS Director. Commissioner Braddock moved to accept Kenneth Smith's resignation effective November 5, 2014. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. Commissioner Lewis moved to advertising for the Position in the Syracuse Journal, the Garden City Telegram and on the Western Kansas Jobs website. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

**R.O.W. PERMIT:** After review, Commissioner Braddock moved to approve the R.O.W. Permit submitted by Pioneer Communications to place buried copper, 12 pair cable, on County Road V. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. Also, discussed concerns of public utility companies burring cables on the edge of County Roads.

**WARRANTS:** After review and discussion, Commissioner Schwerdfeger moved to approve the Warrants in the amount of \$13,511.54. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

HOSPITAL NO-FUND WARRANTS: None.

COMMISSIONER REPORT: Commissioner Puckett signed a letter of support to the Kansas Dept. of Transportation for continuation of the VIP Center's transportation grant.

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 9:50 a.m.

ATTEST:

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