

Hamilton County Commissioners' Meeting
P.O. Box 1167
Syracuse, KS 67878
Meeting Place—Commissioner's Room
Hamilton County Courthouse
May 13, 2014
8:30 a.m.

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

Commissioner Puckett called the Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with all Commissioners present.

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

PRIOR MINUTES: Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the May 6, 2014 Commissioner Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PRIOR MINUTES: Commissioner Braddock moved to approve the May 12, 2014 Canvassing Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC CONCERNS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Braddock moved for a 10-minute executive session for matters pertaining to non-elected personnel with the Commissioners and the County Attorney present. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. The executive session began at 8:33 a.m. and the regular meeting resumed at 8:43 a.m.

Commissioner Lewis moved for an additional 2-minute executive session for matters pertaining to non-elected personnel with the Commissioners and the County Attorney present. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. The executive session began at 8:43 a.m. and the regular meeting resumed at 8:45 a.m.

GREAT PLAINS DEVELOPMENT: Bob Wetmore, Co-Director with Great Plains Development, Inc., presented a 2014 Services Update for Hamilton County. Commissioner Lewis moved to accept the Membership Agreement with Great Plains Development, Inc. and to pay membership dues in the amount of \$750.00. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

LESLIE CARLHOLM: Ms. Carlholm, Community Development Director, gave her monthly report to the Commissioners:

- 1) She attended the Kansas Sampler held in Wamego on May 3rd and 4th. The new displays, Sand Park magnets, County brochures and Welcome to Syracuse magazines were a big hit.
- 2) Wild West Country has contracted with the Reflective Group to redo their website. Information and Photos were submitted to the Reflective Group for Coolidge, Kendall and Syracuse. Discussed having a link on the City's website to list the meeting dates of various County board meetings along with a list of the Board Members.
- 3) She will be serving as the refreshment host at the Goodland TIC in June.
- 4) She has received the preliminary feasibility study.

KERSTIN MITCHELL: Ms. Mitchell, Rural Operations Secretary, presented a project request from the Kansas Department of Transportation to apply for funds to upgrade to the high visibility and reflective road signs.

RON RICHARDSON: Mr. Richardson discussed service and maintenance needing to be done to the County's heating and air conditioning units. This will be discussed further at the May 20, 2014 meeting and possibly put out for bids.

MIKE BUXTON: Mr. Buxton, Director of Rural Operations, discussed the following:

- 1) The Commissioners are concerned about the material being used on County roads by using the larger screen. Commissioner Braddock feels the material used on the East River Road is the ideal size. There continues to be a problem with the bigger rock that is being used coming to the surface of the roads. The Commissioners instructed Mr. Buxton to not use the 2 ¼ " screen and to only use the 1 ½ " screen.
- 2) Mr. Buxton discussed the two water trailers not being used.
- 3) Discussed the progress on the Kendall Road.
- 4) The ditch and culvert of Grain Bin Road needs cleaned out.

Commissioner Simon left the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

CITY ON A HILL: Did not attend the meeting.

5-YEAR PLAN: The 5-year plan was reviewed.

ROAD PROJECT LIST: The Road Project List was reviewed.

WARRANTS: After review and discussion, Commissioner Schwerdfeger moved to approve the Warrants in the amount of \$54,702.11. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

HOSPITAL NO-FUND WARRANTS: None.

COMMISSIONER REPORT: It was discussed whether the County should do business with anyone who is delinquent on their taxes. Attorney Gale advised he will file tax sale paperwork with the District Court. Discussed the administrative fees involved. Commissioner Schwerdfeger advised on a conference call she participated in with the Bureau of Land Management.

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 11:30 a.m.

ATTEST:

County Clerk

Commissioner

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