

Hamilton County Commissioners' Meeting
P.O. Box 1167
Syracuse, KS 67878
Meeting Place—Commissioner Room
Hamilton County Courthouse
September 3, 2013
8:30 a.m.

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

Bryan Coffey
Leslie Carlholm

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

AGENDA: Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the agenda with the addition of David Stimatze at 10:15. Commissioner Puckett seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PRIOR MINUTES: Commissioner Puckett moved to approve the August 20, 2013 Commissioner Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PRIOR MINUTES: Commissioner Puckett moved to approve the August 26, 2013 Commissioner Special Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was approved with four "ayes" and one abstention.

JIM KENNEDY: Mr. Kennedy, with Kennedy & McKee, presented the County's December 31, 2012 Audit Report. Also, Mr. Kennedy presented a three year contract for accounting/auditing services. It was decided to drop the audit for the Fireman's Relief Fund and to add an audit of the Syracuse Youth Activities Association. Mr. Kennedy will send a new contract reflecting the changes. Commissioner Braddock moved to accept the three year contract, with the changes of removing the audit of the Fireman's Relief Act and adding an audit of Syracuse Youth Activities Association. Commissioner Puckett seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. Commissioner Simon moved to accept the December 31, 2012 Audit Report as presented. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

HEARING FOR OPENING OF ROADS: Commissioner Simon opened the hearing at 9:50 a.m. Commissioner Lewis moved that the Road Petitions filed by Omer Schwieterman and Steve Schell be approved. Commissioner Schwerdfeger seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Simon moved that the Road Petitioners' Bonds on the Petitions be approved. Commissioner Schwerdfeger seconded. The Motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Simon closed the hearing at 9:55 a.m.

BRYAN COFFEY: Mr. Coffey, Hamilton County Hospital Administrator, attending the meeting and reported the following:

- 1) The Board signed a three year contract for a new physician, Willie Posey, DO, who has Cardiology and Family Practice experience.
- 2) Signed a three year contract with Mr. Coffey as Administrator.
- 3) Making head way on the uncollected claims.

KERSTIN MITCHELL: Ms. Mitchell, Rural Operations Secretary, reported she has contacted BNSF Railroad to inquire about which railroad crossing in Hamilton County are open and which ones are private.

J2 CONTRACTING: Did not attend the meeting.

RICHARD GARZA: Mr. Garza, Hamilton County Sheriff, and Nick Krug, Undersheriff, reported one of his deputies transported a transient and her bicycle to the Department of Motor Vehicles. The bicycle fell out of the back of the Sheriff's pickup causing damages. Mr. Garza presented an estimate for repairs of the bicycle in the amount of \$556.60. Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the estimate for repairs to the bicycle in the amount of \$556.60 to be paid from the General Fund. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. Also, Sheriff Garza inquired about purchasing new vehicles to replace a 2004 Ford Crown Victoria and a 1998 Ford F250. Commissioner Braddock moved to pay \$16,000.00 from the General Fund to purchase a used Crown Victoria from the used Kansas Highway Patrol Vehicle Program. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

DAVID STIMATZE: Mr. Stimatze, Syracuse City Fire Chief, discussed the area at the Landfill for a proposed training facility. Mr. Stimatze does not feel the Landfill area is an ideal place. Also, discussed other areas for consideration.

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

APPOINT ROAD VIEWERS: Commissioner Simon moved to appoint Kerstin Mitchell, Mike Buxton, and Angie Moser as "Road Viewers" regarding the Road Petitions filed by Omer Schwieterman and Steve Schell. The Road Viewing will be held September 17, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

DUMPSTER REQUEST: Kinder Morgan contacted the County Clerk's Office and requested the removal of their second dumpster, as the compressor station has been shut down and there is limited use for dumpster service. Commissioner Simon moved to remove one of the dumpsters at the Kinder Morgan compressor station. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PRAIRIE DOG RESOLUTION: The County Clerk will check the current price of Rozol.

WARRANTS: After review and discussion, Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the Warrants in the amount of \$148,937.20 and \$18,601.16. Commissioner Schwerdfeger seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

HOSPITAL NO-FUND WARRANTS: After review and discussion, Commissioner Puckett moved to approve the Hospital No-Fund Warrants, Series 2013-A in the amount of \$21,000.00, and Series 2013-B in the amount of \$200,000.00. Commissioner Lewis seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

COMMISSIONER REPORT: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

As there was no more business to come before the meeting, Commissioner Lewis moved for adjournment. Commissioner Simon seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

ATTEST:

County Clerk

Commissioner

Commissioner

Commissioner

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Commissioner