

January 3, 2017

The Harper County Board of Commissioners met in regular session, with Chairman Carla Pence calling the meeting to order to Commissioners Lee Adams and Brian Waldschmidt. Also in attendance was Melinda McCurley, Recording Secretary.

Kelsie Murphy, Deputy County Clerk, reported that daily statements are completed through December 29<sup>th</sup> which is on track. The December 30<sup>th</sup> statement will need to stay open to close out the year.

Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to void checks in the amount of \$2,772.90 for those that weren't cashed or deposited by the vendor; approved unanimously. Commissioner Adams motioned to reissue checks along with an additional accounts payable voucher for a total of \$3,978.37; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Adams motioned to approve payroll in the amount of \$147,264.61; approved unanimously.

At 9:18 a.m. Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to enter executive session for attorney/client privilege for legal assistance and advice with Attorney Matthew Ricke, Kelsie Murphy and Melinda McCurley, and reconvene the meeting in this room at 9:33 a.m.; approved unanimously. At 9:33 a.m. Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to extend the executive session and reconvene the meeting in this room at 9:44 a.m.; approved unanimously. Commissioner Adams motioned to hire Ricke Law Office to collect outstanding juvenile housing accounts receivable; approved unanimously.

Greg Barlow, Noxious Weed, indicated that staff is updating ownership maps. When the ground is frozen, they are unable to spray.

Mildred Metzger and Andrea Reneau, Treasurer's Office, stated that they are processing tax revenue as the deadline was December 20<sup>th</sup>. Heavy truck tags are due February 28<sup>th</sup>.

John McClure, Road and Bridge, provided pictures of appliances and other junk material dumped in the right of way. The bridge project at 70 Ave/70 Rd has been completed so they will begin work on the bridge a mile south of Danville and ¼ mile east. Crews have been working on replacing 911 road signs that were removed. Commissioner Adams asked that the grader operators be put on mowers once the roads are in good condition and John said that was the plan. It was the consensus of the Board that minimally-traveled roads that aren't school or mail routes will be graded less often to catch up on the mowing. After being instructed in February to have County decals put on the department supervisor's truck, the decals have been received and will get them put on today.

Joanna Kenney, EMS, handed out January ambulance rotation for the communities. Call stats weren't available and will be distributed by email. EMS sent 20 outstanding bills to small claims court before the end of 2016, and can send 20 more for 2017. District Court hopefully will receive information soon for hearings.

At 10:40 a.m. Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to enter executive session with Ami DeLacerda and Joanna Kenney, for non-elected personnel to protect the privacy, and reconvene the meeting in this room at 10:50 a.m.; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 10:50 a.m. with no binding action taken.

There was discussion about the recruitment of paramedics and offering more training to first responders in order to grow our own staff members.

Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 27, 2016 and the special meeting minutes of December 30, 2016; Approved by Commissioners Adams and Waldschmidt, Commissioner Pence abstained due to having been absent on those dates.

Ami DeLacerda, HR, presented travel request for the Appraiser's office. Ami will send out reminder to all departments that travel requests must be submitted to HR and approved or travel costs will not be paid for. There was discussion about the next department head meeting in February and possible topics.

At 11:43 a.m. Commissioner Adams motioned to enter into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect the privacy of the individual with Ami DeLacerda and reconvene the meeting in this room at 11:53 a.m.; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 11:53 a.m. with no binding action taken.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:02 p.m. and reconvened at 1:02 p.m.

Bob Randall, IT and Facilities, gave an update on ongoing maintenance projects and design options for the landfill office/scale building. It was the consensus of the Board to not allow the auto-lunch option for employees unless they don't report to an office, as with the equipment operators.

Commissioner Adams left the meeting at 1:48 pm

Melinda McCurley, reviewed ongoing projects. It was the consensus of the Board to not renew their membership with the Kansas League of Municipalities but continue their membership with the Kansas Association of Counties. Melinda will work with Shirley on options for the disposing of the damaged Dept. on Aging bus.

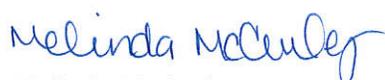
As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, January 9th at 9 a.m. in the Courthouse Commissioner Room.

APPROVED



Carla Pence, Chair

ATTEST:



Melinda McCurley  
Recording Secretary