

April 18, 2016

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 Recording Secretary Melinda McCurley.

Commissioner Adams motioned to approve the addition and abatements for a negative \$51.27; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Adams motioned to approve Resolution 2016-06 terminating the countywide burn ban in the unincorporated area of Harper County; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve benefits withholding for \$129,090.14; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve the minutes of April 12, 2016; approved unanimously.

Mike Feist, Solid Waste, reported that 84 loads were taken in last week during free dumping. The tire limit per landowner is 5 under 20 inches for free disposal. Any other tires are charged the regular disposal fee. Commissioner Waldschmidt will contact the City of Attica to address these issues.

There was discussion about waiving disposal fees for the City of Anthony for the demolition of the old high school building, per the City's request. It was the consensus of the Board that Mike Feist will contact the City to get access to the building to check for asbestos. If there isn't any, we will waive the fee if the material is ground utilizing a one inch screen. Mike will report back to the Board next week on results of the inspection.

Dollie Mathes, Sunflower RC&D, requested funding for printing of Historic Harper County brochure for Kansas Sampler Festival and tourism locations. It was the consensus of the Board to pay for 5000 copies, to be paid for out of economic development funds. LD's printing was the lowest local quote for \$2,680.

Kristie Clark, HR, presented travel requests for Clerk's Office and Department on Aging, and a personnel status form for full time EMT to fill vacancy.

Commissioners used speaker phone to talk to Joanna Kenney, EMS. It was the consensus of the Board to order two 2017 chassis from Mel Hambelton Ford for a total of \$52,240 for mid-July delivery to Osage, for the existing boxes to be mounted. The previous order from Newberry fell through on specification issues. Joanna will contact the dealer for an agreement for signature.

Mildred Metzger and Andrea Reneau, Treasurer's Department, introduced new part-time employee Michelle Eshelman. Mildred presented the 1st Quarter 2016 Financial Report on Idle Funds.

John McClure, Road and Bridge, discussed extension of the City of Anthony airport. The bridge crew constructed a fence around the cooling tower at the courthouse. John gave an update on bridge projects. He is trying to fill the truck driver position.

Melinda McCurley, Zoning/GIS/Environmental, gave a department update on building permits issued so far for 2016. The 2016 Ownership Map Books have been completed and are being sold for \$20.00. The bids are due for the SCLEPG equipment on April 21st.

It was the consensus of the Board to change how payroll and benefits withholding are approved, per the auditor's suggestion. Going forward, the Board will review Gross payroll amounts and on benefits withholding only approve the county's portion instead of the whole amount. That way the expenses aren't approved twice.

The Board toured the attic space of the courthouse and determined that another surplus sale will be needed in the future for excess furniture and equipment.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:18 pm. The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, April 26th at 9 a.m. in the Courthouse Commissioner Room.

APPROVED



Carla Pence, Chair

ATTEST:



Melinda McCurley
Recording Secretary