

November 7, 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 Melinda McCurley, Recording Secretary.

Shirley McCartney, Department on Aging, presented a letter of support for KDOT grant application as well as authorizing Shirley to submit all necessary reporting documentation. Commissioner Adams motioned to authorize Chairman Pence to sign the letter as presented. The Senior Center Director has started in Harper. Shirley reported that due to various reasons, they are having staffing level issues causing her to be out on transport more frequently. She is asking citizens to have patience. It was the consensus of the Board to continue advertising for a driver position.

Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve the special meeting minutes of October 28th and November 3rd, 2016 and the regular meeting minutes of October 31, 2016; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve the add/abate orders for a negative \$-132,942.78 due to oil/gas valuation appeals; approved unanimously.

Todd Pettegrew, Dispatch and EM Director, is establishing a fund for donations for an emergency notification system. The radio communication issues are improving with the changes by Total Comm. Todd presented a maintenance plan from Foley to do periodic checks on the generator at the tower and the law enforcement center. More research is needed prior to approving the agreement. Todd provided updates on training of dispatchers.

Greg Barlow, Noxious Weeds, indicated that spraying was being done behind mowing tractors where Johnson grass is flourishing, and around bridges to get trees that are popping up.

John McClure, Road and Bridge, indicated that the bridge at 70th Ave/70th Rd should be open this week pending appropriate weather. The only item remaining is to install the guardrails. County Attorney Knox reviewed the agreement with CFS to provide engineering services for the 2018 KDOT matching bridge project. Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve the agreement; approved unanimously. John reported on an upcoming project where Wheatland will be relocating electric poles to the right of way, which in turn will cause the road to be moved as it has shifted over the years. Since Total Comm switched the supervisors' radios to a digital frequency, communication is outstanding. Out of the 34 radios, only 9 new ones have to be purchased - the rest can be upgraded. Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve the quote from Total Comm for \$5,760 to upgrade all of the Road and Bridge radios to digital, which includes purchasing the 9 new ones; approved unanimously.

Joanna Kenney, EMS, indicated that a radio was installed in the new ambulance. She recommended installing the spare radio in the Attica EMS station. The loaner ambulance has a fuel leak but that will be paid for by the loaner company. Presented call stats for the week. There was a discussion about offering EMR/EMT

EMR/EMT classes. Options were discussed for ALS transfers. Joanna will draft a policy and bring to the Board for approval.

Mike Feist, Solid Waste, discussed holiday schedules at the Landfill. It was the consensus of the Board to approve the recommended holiday schedule: Landfill being open on Monday – November 21st and Monday – December 19th, and then being closed on Saturday – November 26th and Saturday – December 24th. Mike will publish the changes in the paper and will post at the Landfill.

At 11:36 a.m. Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to enter executive session with Ami DeLacerda, for non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy of the individual, and reconvene the open meeting in this room at 11:46 a.m.; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 11:46 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Melinda McCurley, received correspondence from Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball, auditor, about the 2016 audit calendar. It was the consensus of the Board to ask for a deadline of June 15th to have the audit completed. This is the last year of the current agreement to utilize this company. Melinda will send out a request for quotes to conduct the annual audit, as well as preparation of the 2017 budget.

Lori Reedy, Appraiser, went over the abatement process. The Board asked that Lori present all abatements in the future. Lori also briefed the Commission on the outcome of a recent small claims hearing.

Commissioner Adams motioned to approve payroll in the amount of \$151,396.33; approved unanimously.

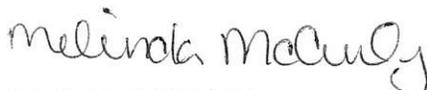
As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, November 14th, at 9 a.m. in the Courthouse Commissioner Room.

APPROVED



Carla Pence, Chair

ATTEST:



Melinda McCurley
Recording Secretary