

January 29, 2018

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

Melinda McCurley, updated the Board on ongoing projects.

John McClure, Road and Bridge/Noxious Weeds/Solid Waste, gave a department update. The agreement with KDOT for 90 cent on the dollar funding was presented. Melinda will contact an attorney to review the agreement. John received a quote from Prairie Land Partners for a new 6120E Cab Tractor and Flex Wing Mower. They are allowing a 17,000 trade for the current tractor/mower, leaving the purchase price at \$74,291.89. It was the consensus of the Board to not trade the current tractor/mower and sell it with Auction Time. Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve the purchase of the tractor and mower from Prairie Land Partners for \$91,291.89; approved unanimously. John received a quote for a 2018 1500 Silverado, Regular Cab pickup for Special Bridge from Newberry Family Auto. Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve the purchase of the pickup from Newberry Family Auto for \$27,929.00; approved unanimously. There was discussion about pavement projects for 2018.

Christina Cintron, Dispatch/EM Director, indicated that she would like all dispatchers to complete the Emergency Medical Dispatch Training program. If she can receive the trainer certification designation, it would save on training costs for the employees. All costs would be paid for from Fund 027 911 Fees. The Board was in favor of the training program.

Ami DeLacerda, HR, presented status forms for longevity in EMS, Road and Bridge, and Sheriff Departments. Status forms for the two promotions in the Sheriff Department were also presented. No action was taken on the status forms, as the Sheriff has sole authority over promotions of his staff. Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve the amended pay scale to include the new job title for the Sheriff Department. Travel requests for Community Development and Register of Deed's Office were also approved.

Melinda McCurley left the meeting and Kelsie Murphy, Deputy County Clerk, took over as Recording Secretary.

Ami discussed the insurance renewal for BCBS. We are looking at a 4.22% increase in premiums. Ami will research options and report back to the Board next week. The Medicare issue with BCBS was resolved last week.

At 11:04 a.m. Commissioner Pence motioned to enter into executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss pay classification of an employee, with Ami DeLacerda to remain present and to reconvene in this room at 11:14 a.m.; approved unanimously. At 11:14 Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to extend for 5 minutes; approved unanimously. At 11:19 a.m. the meeting returned to open session.

Commissioner Pence motioned to approve the pay increase for Department on Aging Director to Grade 8, Step 13 to begin on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the current pay period; approved unanimously.

Buck Driggs, a representative for the Hospital District #6 combined hospital project, gave a construction progress update. They are requesting County Sponsorship of a Kansas Department of Transportation program that reimburses entities for improvements to transportation corridors. The County would have to manage the program and pay for the improvements and then be reimbursed by KDOT. Improvements are needed for K2 Highway and NW 50 Rd. The hospital is still awaiting water service agreements and access permits from KDOT. Jim Chromik and Dennis Roberts were present for the discussion. There would have to be an interlocal agreement for administration of the program with the hospital and the County. The Board asked for a final design plan and cost estimates.

Bob Randall, IT and Facilities Director, entered the meeting and informed the Board that repairs were needed for the light controller at the 911 tower. Repair estimate was received for \$2200 by Giesen Electric. It was the consensus of the Board to repair the controller.

Ami DeLacerda entered the meeting and presented personnel status form for new hire for Road and Bridge. The prospective employee had worked for the County in the past. It was the consensus of the Board to approve the personnel status form and allow the candidate to be rehired.

There was discussion about policy in relation to DUI offenses. If the license is suspended/restricted/interlock device allowed, they will not be allowed to drive a county vehicle.

Commissioner Adams motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 22, 2018; approved unanimously. Payroll was also approved in the amount of \$142,545.69 (gross wages).

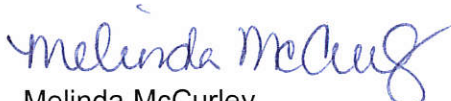
As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:23 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, January 29, 2018 at 9 a.m. in the Courthouse Commissioner Room.

APPROVED



Lee Adams, Chairman

ATTEST:



Melinda McCurley  
Recording Secretary