

June 11, 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 Brian Waldschmidt. Also in attendance: Hannah Alldritt with the Anthony Republican and Kelsie Murphy, Deputy County Clerk, serving as the Recording Secretary.

Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve benefit withholdings in the amount of \$59,264.61, approved unanimously. Commissioner Pence motioned to approve Abatements in the amount of -\$24,469.88 approve unanimously.

Shirley McCartney, Public Transportation, requested mileage approval and a travel request for the RTAP training & transportations meeting; both were signed.

Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve Accounts Payable in the amount of \$147,687.00; approved unanimously. Commissioner Pence motioned to retract original motion approving the abatement in the amount of -\$24,469.88 so that the Appraiser could provide input at the next meeting; approved unanimously. Commissioner Pence motioned to approve June 4, 2018 meeting minutes; approved unanimously.

Audrey Anderson, Register of Deeds, reviewed her attendance at a meeting and advised that a mortgage registration fee would be received for \$19,500. There has been a decrease in the number of deeds received and many are being rejected due to errors in the notary section or legal descriptions issues. Commissioner Pence shared additional information concerning the mortgage registration fee.

Christina Cintron, Emergency Manager/Dispatch Director, explained this year's budget issue for Fund 027. This concerned the phone system maintenance for the 2017 budget that was paid in January 2018. This system will be discontinued once ESInet goes live.

John McClure, Road and Bridge/Solid Waste/Noxious Weeds Supervisor, Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve signing the agreement with KDOT of the Hospital's turning lanes; approved unanimously. Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve the Noxious Weed Annual Report, prepared by David Wyatt; approved unanimously. Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve the signing of the Solid Waste Management review, with no changes from last year; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve resolution 2018-17 for Zoning due to a typographical error.

Ami DeLacerda, Human Resources Director, reported that the County will not receive a reserve refund from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas this year, due to high utilization during the last plan year, requiring use of reserve dollars. It may take one or two healthy plan years to rebuild the reserves. The Board reviewed and approved an employee performance evaluation, as well as a request for an employee's request for three consecutive weeks off in the Fall, using paid time off. There was a discussion on the current County cell phone/stipend policy. Cell Phone stipends were reviewed and set at 40.00, except for extenuating circumstances as determined by the Board. The County will also need to research and update the cell phone policy due to KORA requirements concerning text messaging and email. The former EMS Director purchased a holster on the County's credit card and attempts to contact have gone unanswered concerning restitution. There was discussion regarding the recent bidding process for the County's property liability coverage.

Board discussed the contract with the Child Advocacy Center, which rents the County's old Road & Bridge building, and ensuring that they property maintain the landscape.

Resident Steve Bellesine entered the meeting at 10:30 a.m. to discuss Celco's issue with the NRP program – he apologized for his interactions with the Treasurer's Office and Commissioner Waldschmidt. Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve Celco being reinstated to the program; approved unanimously.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, June 18th at 9 a.m. in the Courthouse Commissioner Room.

APPROVED


Lee Adams, Chair

ATTEST:


Kelsie Murphy
Deputy County Clerk