

July 8, 2019

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

County Residents Spike Hostetler, Rosie Walker, Sherrie Eaton and Jim Eaton were present for public comment regarding EMS Service.

Commissioner Adams entered at 9:17 a.m.

At 9:32 a.m. Commissioner Pence motioned to enter executive session. The subject to be discussed will be protected non-elected personnel. The justification for closing the meeting is to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. The open meeting will resume at 10:00 a.m. in this room; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 10:00 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Melinda McCurley led the public hearing to hear public comment to determine if the alternate project delivery method (Design Build) is the preferred method of constructing an EMS Station in Harper, Kansas. No public was present. Commissioner Pence motioned to construct an EMS Station in Harper using the design build process; approved by Pence and Waldschmidt, Adams voted No.

Brett Walker entered at 10:06 a.m.

At 10:10 a.m. Commissioner Pence motioned to enter executive session. The subject to be discussed will be protected non-elected personnel. The justification for closing the meeting is to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. The open meeting will resume at 10:15 a.m. in this room; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 10:15 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Christina Cintron, Emergency Management / Dispatch Director, presented the 2020 budget requests.

Commissioner Adams motioned to adopt the Kansas Homeland Security Region G Hazard Mitigation Plan; approved unanimously.

Jan Harding, EMS Director, presented the 2020 budget request and gave a department update.

Commissioner Pence motioned, effective August 1, 2019, to begin having 2 EMS crews on schedule during peak times, with one of the crews to be on a 24-hour shift and the other to be on a 12-hour shift. The crews will still rotate to the three different station locations; approved unanimously.

Erin Albright, Hospital District #6 Health Foundation, presented an offer for the Foundation to pay for the construction of an EMS facility at the Patterson Health Center. Brett Walker, Ron Poor, Tavish Hall, Dennis Roberts, Marla Wedman, Crissa Cox, Pam Gerber, Sherrie Eaton, John Francis, Jim Eaton, Dusty Albright, Ashley Traylor, Connie Copenhaver, Innslee Albright, Susan Croft, Jane Whisman, Rosie Walker, Bonnie Dunn, Leslie Roberts, Carolyn Sharp, Kathy Francis, Spike Hostetler, and Holly Noble were also present. EMS Director Jan Harding was available to answer questions.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:08 p.m. and reconvened at 1:08 p.m.

Sherry Vierthaler presented the Health Department 2020 budget request.

At 1:15 p.m. Commissioner Pence motioned to enter into executive session. The subject to be discussed will be protected non-elected personnel. The justification for closing the meeting is to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. The open meeting will resume at 1:25 p.m. in this room; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 1:25 p.m. with no binding action taken.

Sheriff Tracy Chance and Jailer Justin Carey presented the 2020 budget requests for the two departments.

Commissioner Adams entered the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

The following Department Heads presented their 2020 budget requests: Ruth Elliott for the County Clerk's Office and Elections; Richard Raleigh for the County Attorney's Office; Audrey Anderson for the Register of Deed's Office; Mike Elliott for Buildings and Grounds; Anna Porter for the Appraiser's Office, and an Appraiser's travel request was also approved.

Commissioner Pence motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of July 1, 2019; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Adams motioned to approve employee benefits in the amount of \$57,950.05; approved unanimously.

Drug Dog Food and Conference Training for Deputy were approved to be paid for from the Cap Equip Reserve/Attorney Equipment Fund.

Commissioner Adams motioned to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$217,997.28; approved unanimously.

Ami DeLacerda, presented personnel status forms for new hire in EMS and transfer to Road and Bridge.

A work session was held on the 2020 budget.

At 4:10 p.m. Commissioner Pence motioned to enter executive session. The subject to be discussed will be protected non-elected personnel. The justification for closing the meeting is to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. The open meeting will resume at 4:15 p.m. in this room; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 4:15 p.m. with no binding action taken.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday - July 15, 2019 at 9 a.m., in the Courthouse Commissioner Room.

APPROVED



Brian Waldschmidt, Chair

ATTEST:



Melinda McCurley
Recording Secretary

