

September 10, 2018

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

There was discussion about Berlin Road south of 160 Highway. Commissioners will examine the section of road and determine what needs to be done. The plan is to pave it in several years.

Register of Deed Audrey Anderson indicated that revenue is down from past years although Oil and Gas document filings have increased. She is concerned about the decrease in revenue and the effect on budget, all of the 2018 budgeted revenue may not be received. A travel request was approved for a Fall meeting.

Commissioner Pence motioned to approve payroll in the amount of \$148,549.79; approved unanimously.

Ami DeLacerda, HR Director provided personnel status forms for EMS, Dispatch and Clerk longevity, a resignation for EMS, and a new hire for a attendant-care position at the Health Department.

Sheriff Tracy Chance discussed the 2019 budget. The Commissioners explained that they were unable to fulfill his requested budget, so Sheriff and Jail each took the same 3% cut as other departments. There was discussion about USD 361 requesting a school resource officer.

David Wyatt, Noxious Weeds, presented maps of what has been sprayed so far this year, including those areas where trees have been spiked. Commissioner Adams asked about bridges and David reported that those will be treated this winter and will have a 9-month residual. Mowing is critical in Johnson Grass control.

Mike Feist, Solid Waste, reported that litter seems to be under control on the highway from Plumb Thicket to Wichita. The roadway is inspected every other Monday. Recycling material was shipped in August as they must wait until there is a semi load of material to save on freight costs. There is 10-15 years left on the current C&D cell. Hazardous materials are increasingly difficult to dispose of, including florescent lighting. The leased loader has been delivered. There was discussion about care and maintenance of the FFA farm on County property.

John McClure, Road and Bridge-Noxious Weeds-Solid Waste Supervisor, gave a department update on road projects. There are position vacancies but no successful applicants.

Melinda McCurley gave an update on the recent tax-abatement issue and other County projects.

Commissioner Pence motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 4, 2018; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to approve the voucher to correct the tax-abatement issue to paid 50% from the General Fund and 50% from the Appraiser's Fund; approved unanimously.


As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:18 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, September 10, 2018 at 9 a.m. in the Courthouse Commissioner Room.

APPROVED



Lee Adams, Chair

ATTEST:



Melinda McCurley
Recording Secretary