September 23, 2019

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

A travel request for the Register of Deeds was approved.

Commissioner Pence motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 16, 2019; approved unanimously. Commissioner Adams motioned to approve payroll for $142,438.11; approved unanimously. Commissioner Pence motioned to approve the August transfers for $1,415,837.89; approved unanimously.

Curt Logsdon, Road and Bridge, gave a department update.

At 9:30am, 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 9:45 a.m. in this room; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 9:45 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Matt Booker, Zoning Administrator, gave a department update. Commissioner Adams motioned to approve Resolution 2019-18, authorizing a six-month extension of obtaining a power purchase agreement for a commercial wind project permitted by Case No. CU-02-2016; approved unanimously.

Steve Wilkinson and Brandon Steadman with SCKEDD (South Central Kansas Economic Development District) gave an update on programs available including small business loans, residential-weatherization assistance and commercial-rehabilitation grants.

Bob Randall, IT, gave a department update. Commissioner Pence motioned to approve the inordinate spending authorization for $1,129.44 for computers; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Adams left the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Ruth Elliott, County Clerk, led the public hearing to vacate a portion of SW 30 RD which lies between SW 170 Ave & SW 160 Ave. No public was present nor had anyone provided additional information for or against this proposal. Commissioner Pence motioned to approve Resolution 2019-19; vacating SW 30 RD between SW 170 Ave & SW 160 Ave; approved unanimously.

Michael Garrett and Kerry Nation with Horizons Mental Health gave a program update.

Linda Langley, Internal Auditor, gave an accounting update for August 2019.

Ami DeLacerda, HR, gave a department update. Personnel status forms for resignations in EMS and longevity for Department on Aging were approved. Commissioner Pence motioned to approve the EMS Harper County Foundation Grant Application; approved unanimously. Ami updated the Board on pending litigation issues.

Commissioner Waldschmidt motioned to appoint Commissioner Pence as the voting delegate for KCAMP and KWORC, with Commissioner Waldschmidt as the alternate; approved unanimously.

It was the consensus of the Board to remove the requirement of exempt employees clocking in and out.

Melinda McCurley discussed the two proposals for audit services. Commissioner Pence motioned to accept the proposal from Varney & Associates for $18,900 annually for 2019 and 2020; approved unanimously.

The Board then went on a tour of the Courthouse attic and storage unit with Melinda and Facilities Director Mike Elliott, to determine which items will be included in the upcoming surplus sale.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday – September 30, 2019 at 9 a.m., in the Courthouse Commissioner Room.

APPROVED

Brian Waldschmidt

Brian Waldschmidt, Chair

ATTEST:

Melinda McCurley
Recording Secretary