

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
April 3, 2017

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on April 3, 2017 with all three commissioners present. Chairman Krehbiel called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

There were no items added to the agenda.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

There were no items added to the calendar.

Minutes of the March 27 Commission regular meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Hague, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Anthony Swartzendruber, Administrator, reported that the conversion of the payroll portion of the new CIC financial management system begins today. Training continues this week in the Clerk, Treasurer and Administration offices on their respective portions of the new system.
2. Anthony reported that he and Rollin Schmidt, Solid Waste Director, are in the process of negotiating the contract renewal with Waste Connections for processing recyclables.
3. Anthony presented a detailed list of capital improvement expenditures performed at the Harvey County Fair Buildings in 2016. The Fair Board is requesting reimbursement for the \$20,439.00 total capital improvement expenditures. The commission previously approved an additional appropriation for these improvements. Commissioner Hague made a motion to approve the payment to the Fair Board not to exceed the amount of their total appropriation in the 2017 budget. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
4. Anthony reported that KCAMP, the insurance provider for the county, will be conducting property appraisals of the county buildings this week to ensure that the buildings and contents are insured to the appropriate values.
5. Anthony presented copies of the Harvey County Services & Allocation Report from Workforce Area 1 detailing the services provided by them in Harvey County for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016.
6. Anthony presented the Sales Tax Collections report for March. Sales tax collections are up for the month, quarter and year to date compared to last year.
7. Anthony reported that responsibility for road signage on township roads may be affected by a court decision and legislation changes. The county may be required to install and maintain all road signage in the county that is currently the responsibility of the individual townships.
8. Anthony reported that LifeTeam, a critical care transport company, based at the Newton City/County Airport is relocating their operations to Jabara Airport in Wichita.
9. CASA representative Bill Reynolds presented a Proclamation In Recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month. He stated the importance of continuous efforts to prevent child abuse. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to proclaim the month of April 2017 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Harvey County. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
10. Mary Adams, RSVP Coordinator, presented a Proclamation designating April 4, 2017 as National Mayor and County Recognition Day for National Service. The proclamation

- sets a day to thank volunteers and those who serve and find ways to give back to their communities. Halstead Mayor William Ewert was in attendance. Commissioner Hague made a motion to proclaim April 4, 2017 as National Service Recognition Day and thereby encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our cities and within our county. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
11. Sheriff Chad Gay presented proposed revisions to the 2017 CIP Equipment purchase list for the Sheriff's Office. He suggests purchasing 20 replacement bullet proof vests instead of the 5 radar units and 1 of the WatchGuard cameras that were originally requested. He stated that the current CIP plan was presented by his predecessor, but he believes that these changes better reflect the priorities of the office. The changes do not affect the total amount requested for the year. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to approve the revised 2017 CIP Equipment Purchase list for the Sheriff's office as presented. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
 12. Lynnette Redington, Health Department Director, presented a draft of a letter from the commission in their capacity as the local Board of Health supporting the grant application for the Kansas Health Foundation Healthy Communities Initiative: Improving Health Equity of behalf of the Central Kanas Community Foundation. Commissioner Hague made a motion to approve the letter as presented and authorize the chair to sign. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

CITIZENS FORUM:

There were no items presented during Citizen's Forum.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (continued):

13. Lynnette passed out fresh apples in recognition of National Public Health Week.
14. Gina Bell, Planning & Zoning Director, reported that only twelve building permits have been issued so far this year, down from the twenty-eight issued last year during the same period.
15. Byron Warta distributed copies of the most recent EDC 2017 Project Tracker report. He briefly discussed each of the projects listed.
16. Gary Denny, Emergency Management Director, stated that the burn risk forecast for this week is down after the rainfall over the weekend and more rainfall is forecasted for this week.
17. Kass Miller reported that some flooding occurred at East Park over the weekend. He also stated that the goldfish drag race event held on Saturday went well and attendance was a good.
18. Rick Piepho, County Clerk & Election Officer, reported that about 350 registrants have voted early so far. Voting continues this week in the courthouse community room, weekdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Saturday, April 8 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and on Monday, April 10 from 8 a.m. to noon for the April 11 Special General Election to fill the US House District 4 vacancy.

At 9:41 a.m. Commissioner Hague made a motion to go into executive session for a period of 10 minutes to confer with attorney regarding privileged matters and to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Also present for the session were Anthony Swartzendruber, Dan Bronson, Rick Piepho and Counselor Greg Nye. Rick Piepho left the session at 9:46 a.m. Executive session ended at 9:51 a.m. with no action being taken.

Warrant checks in the amount of \$125,961.59 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Hague, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously.

Lynnette presented the 2013-2017 Harvey County Health Rankings & Roadmap report prepared by the Kansas Health Institute. She pointed out the specific items that affected the total 2017 rankings for Health Factors and Health Outcomes, both of which are lower or better than the 2016 rankings.

Jim Meier, Road and Bridge Superintendent, presented information about the bids opened and accepted at last weeks meeting for the purchase of a 2017 Motor Grader. He stated that he completed his review of the two bids received and determined that the bid from Murphy Tractor did not meet the minimum base weight specified. He recommends rejecting the bid from Murphy Tractor and awarding the bid to Foley Equipment who submitted the only qualified bid. The bid from Murphy was \$21,810.30 less than the bid from Foley but the equipment bid was not comparable. Representatives from Foley and Murphy were in attendance. The Murphy representative agreed that the base weight of the 670G is a few hundreds pounds less than the minimum specified, but the added equipment increased the weight above the minimum so it should be considered for award. A discussion was held about whether to consider the lower bid from Murphy Tractor even though it did not meet specifications and the commissioners agreed on the importance of requiring that minimum specifications are met for bids to be considered. Commissioner Hague made a motion to award the purchase to Foley Equipment for a total cost of \$169,490.00 for the Caterpillar 12M3 Motor Grader. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

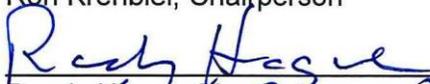
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ATTEST:


Rick Piepho, County Clerk


Ron Krehbiel, Chairperson


Randy Hague, Member


George A. "Chip" Westfall, Member