

MINUTES
MORTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
February 25, 2013

Bob called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. with open doors.

Present: Bob Boaldin, Chairman, Ron DeGarmo, Vice-Chairman; Teresa Harder, Commissioner; Eric Witcher, County Attorney; Gina Castillo, County Clerk.

Brad Ambroiser entered and gave an update on changes in the District Court. He is having the secretary move here from Stevens County and have her office in what's currently the law library, then move that to Judge Kemp's office. He would like to use the budgeted funds that were to upgrade Judge Kemp's office for secretary's office and upgrade Judge Kemp's office at a later date.

The Agenda was reviewed and approved with corrections.

Minutes of the February 11th meeting were read and amended. A motion by Bob, seconded by Teresa to approve as amended.

The Commissioners signed the following: The Payroll Form; Payroll Warrant Registers; The Accounts Payable Warrant Register; Permission to lay Natural gas line under County Road, Resolution 2013-4 Lesser Prairie Chicken.

Gwen—entered with 1 bid for a 4-wheeler from American Implement a Polaris dealer an 850 with a hydraulic blade in the amount of \$10,778.79. A motion by Ron, seconded by Bob to purchase. KDHE inspection last week, Gwen contacted Erich Glave, KDHE area supervisor regarding a deficiency for not having the documents on site. She also asked to send Deb Davis to Manhattan for County Weed basic training school for \$75.00 and travel and lodging, it will be the same time and place Gwen attends waste meeting approved on a motion by Ron, seconded by Teresa for Gwen and Deb to attend.

Richard Vertrees and Michael Perry with Aqua Shield Roofing wanted to visit with the Commissioners regarding what services they provide. And would like to put in bids for future projects.

Charles Hull entered at 10:15 to discuss purchasing bunker gear in the amount \$1600.00 a motion by Ron, seconded by Teresa. He will be

attending a meeting Thursday regarding the annual wildlife operating agreement.

Stacy and Kirk with EMS entered at 10:30 would like to rent Civic Center for 3 different dates, Commissioners all agreed to waive rental fees. Kirk stated collections have been going good and have received some past payments too. He has let DeLisa know about the new fees starting July 1st. Stacy discussed the 2 EMT accidents that happened on Feb. 16th. Discussed vehicle damages and response time to the call. Commissioners stated that these things need to be discussed with the County Attorney.

Supervisors—Stacy, Kirk, Gwen, Charles, Kevin, Justin, Vienna, Rhianna, Stephanie, Shaina, Tracie, Charley and Gina. Bill Cotter was in attendance.

Stacy—Explained issues regarding the Accident on the 16th and the individual loss we are looking at. Kirk said it has been hard lately responding to County Employees accidents.

Gwen—been busy on 4-Wheelers baiting prairie dogs.

Charley—Appreciates EMS department and he has worked with Workman's Compensation and its hard.

Tracie—has been real busy with new servers. She, Stacy and Justin will attend a meeting in Ulysses regarding the 911 update.

Stephanie—Introduced Shaina Chapman to everyone. Been busy working on indexing and mortgages. E filing has worked real well.

Rhianna—Been busy. Been looking at the State changes. Stated it's nice to be able to call on Tracie and IT resources to help with computer problems any time.

Vienna—The public square will be tonight in Rolla.

Justin—Staying very busy working with Eric. Most of his employees are recertified on CPR. Agreed it affects everyone emotionally working the accidents when things happen to county employees.

Charles—No fires lately. Hoping to get a lot more moisture.

Kevin—been working with the Elkhart School District and Recreation Commission about cost sharing an aerator.

Bill Cotter—updated everyone on Airport hangars, security system and flying and the new area RC flying field.

Eric—Been busy with the law enforcement. Update on District Court.

Commissioners—Warning light on 2nd Street has been shot out again, there is a reward out for information on who might have done it. The Hospital now has 3 Dr.'s and a CEO. A nice handicap entrance on the East side of Court House and the steep stairs on the West side are fixed and not as dangerous. Teresa and Bob listened to Tim Huelskamp on his stop in Elkhart, very informative. The Prairie Chicken is a big concern in our area of possibly putting them on the endangered specie list.

Gina—Working on the upcoming election April 2nd, consolidated from 4 to 2 voting locations. Our annual Healthquest screening will be April 3rd at the Civic Center you can log on, schedule your appointment and do your Health Questions.

Rhianna—Asked to attend The Woman's Health Care Symposium approved on a motion by Teresa, seconded by Ron.

Bill Cotter—Gave an update on a proposal for Airport Hangars.

Adjourned for lunch at 12:05. Looked at the Hwy 56 property and Robertson Tank Equipment that is being auctioned. Reconvened at 1:00.

Charley-entered the meeting and discussed wanting to bid on some of Robertson Tank's equipment, approved by Commissioners. Charley has requested to hire Jeremy Sklenar as Shop Foreman at \$18.00/hr. Approval by Teresa, seconded by Ron. Charley would like to attend Ks Co HWY Assoc May 6-8 in Wichita approved on a motion by Teresa, seconded by Ron. Bob said it was ok for Road Department to park grader at his building by the Lumber Yard, since the County can no longer park it at Gilmore Roustabout.

Kevin—Will be sending membership dues statements soon. The aerator will probably be here at the end of this week depending on the weather. Should be starting practices with the golf teams in March.

Discussion took place on the mineral trust fund money the State wants to take, Bob will be testifying in Topeka this week.

Bill Cotter entered. Chris Flageolle called and we called him back regarding construction in hangars. Grant funding is available upon looking at fuel tanks. Commissioners stated this project will be 100% County funded. Chris said that they need to evaluate it so that it is in FAA regulations. The County will foot the bill and FAA will review the lease agreements. Fair market value on short term lease and long term leases will be negotiated. He just wants to make sure we follow these steps so it will not jeopardize future funding. Needs to update the ALP. Clerk will e-mail Chris the aerial view of the project. A motion by Ron seconded by Bob to give \$300 to Tri State Flight Training—Young Eagles Event out of the Commissioners Fund.

A motion to approve Lesser Prairie Chicken Resolution 2013-4 by Teresa, seconded by Ron.

A motion by Bob seconded by Ron to approve laying a natural gas line underground on County road by Wesley Nelson.

Meeting dates were set for March 11th and 25th. Being no further business a motion by Bob seconded by Ron to adjourn at 4:10.