

MINUTES  
MORTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
1025 Morton, Elkhart, KS  
February 24, 2014

Ron called the meeting to order at 9:25 a.m. with open doors.

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

The Agenda was reviewed and approved with corrections.

Minutes of the Feb 10<sup>th</sup> meeting were read and amended. A motion by Ron, seconded by Teresa to approve as amended.

The Commissioners signed the following: The Payroll Form; Payroll Warrant Registers; A/P Warrant Register; Response letter to US Fish and Wildlife; 2 Road Petitions; Teeter Irrigation SW 20-31-39 and Cimarron Valley Irrigation SW/4 13-35-40 into OK NE/4 14-6-13.

A motion by Teresa, seconded by Ron to sign the Response letter to US Fish and Wildlife. Commissioners asked County Attorney to order a search for Property owner near the landfill.

Wes Bressler and Ed Johnson with COA entered and asked if the wage increases were approved. 1 no vote and 1 yes vote, tabled until Commissioner Bob is present. Ed also asked about the dirt elevation for the open ended hangar. Commissioners stated the Airport engineer had these dimensions. Discussed Gene Nunn wanting to sell his hangar.

Charles Hull—Fire entered at 10:20 requesting to purchase fire foam with Capital Outlay fund of \$3100. Commissioners approved this purchase.

Justin—Sheriff entered and stated the UTV is downstairs. He has bids on the trailer. A 16ft. trailer Marvin Johnson for \$2135.50. 14 ft. trailer at Stanton Co. Implement for \$1,960. Approval for the 14 ft. trailer, that size is needed. He and Charley went on the audit of HWY 24 from Rolla to State line road last week, very interesting.

Stacy and Kirk entered at 10:30. Brought in Stephanie Fink's job application. Using discretion in the ER until the insurance is determined. Asked to purchase 6 chairs out of commodities, Commissioners approved. Asked about other positions. Tabled for now.

Vienna—entered and received an estimate for removing the wax and re-waxing the Civic Center floors \$1850. She is not sure that is what is needed. She has contacted another source and waiting to hear from them. Bike across Kansas will start here again this year June 6<sup>th</sup>. Asking about doing a promotion the Church of God is doing entertainment, meals, etc. Asking about revising the contract for use of civic center and providing alcohol. They suggested discussing with County Attorney.

Supervisors—Tracie, Stephanie, Kevin, Kirk, Stacy, Justin, Vienna, Charley and Charles.

Discussion regarding time clocks. Supervisors are not in favor of them.

Adjourned for lunch at noon. Drove by Airport looked at dirt on open ended Hangar location. Reconvened at 1:15.

Charley—Attended the KS Hwy meeting brought the agenda for review. Larry Thompson discussed the upcoming projects. Charley discussed the job applicant he interviewed. Has experience but is asking for time off to referee for sports. Table until next meeting. Presented 2 bids for a Tire Machine. CarQuest \$2450.00 NAPA \$2595.00. A motion by Teresa, seconded by Ron to Purchase the lowest bid by CarQuest. Commissioners asked him to order solar powered lights for HWY intersections. Justin entered and stated the need for 800mgtz radios for Road department. A portable radio unit for County Road department is on the way. Also Justin will start attending the radio meetings, as we have not had any presence for 2 years.

Greg Welbrock and Susie Lewis with the Appraisers office entered. Bob Boaldin conferenced called in to discuss the increase in R/E values and Ag land values.

Kevin—Golf entered to discuss Leon Ellis was cleared to go back to work after knee surgery. They are working on mailing cart leases and memberships; there has been a slight increase in price. 1 shed open out of 103. The County prices are comparable with surrounding courses. Still planning on burning the native grass. Moved bricks that were given to them by Barbara Pate, still deciding where to put them. Annual membership meeting April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Equipment (Toro) is in Wichita currently needing repairs.

Rhianna—Health entered at 2:15. A motion by Ron, seconded by Teresa for 15 min. executive session for personnel, back in regular session at 2:30

then extended 5 minutes by Ron, seconded by Teresa, back in regular session at 2:40. No action taken. She is checking into (EHR) electronic health records this and more changes are coming, there will be meetings regarding changes. Schooling is going well, she job shadowed with the School Health Nurse and Senior Center. Would like to talk about the need for another nurse and wage at budget time.

Justin—Sheriff entered and has asked other supervisors about length of trailer they may need if borrowed, 14 ft. trailer is sufficient.

A motion by Ron, seconded by Teresa for a 5 minute executive session for Attorney Client Privilege at 3:03, back in regular session at 3:10. No action taken. Commissioners approved Kent Boaldins proposal for installing the Generator at Wilburton for better radio communications.

A motion by Ron, seconded by Teresa to adjourn at 3:30.