

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
MORTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
1025 MORTON STREET, ELKHART, KS
August 18, 2017

Present: Randy Bane, Chairman; JW Finn, Vice-Chairman; Jim Tucker, Commissioner; Eric Witcher, County Attorney and Gina Castillo, County Clerk.

A special meeting to discuss the 2 quotes on the Landfill dozer and conference call with Rod Hay with Hay, Rice and Associates.

Randy called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with open doors.

Commissioners discussed lease options of 5 and 7 year leases and the idea of a trade in or keeping and maintaining the dozer. Budget numbers.

A call was made to Rod Hay, CPA he stated we are able to do this lease option down payment now, really not able to purchase all at once. Going forward the lease payment will be budgeted for. The Commissioners asked if he would meet with them in the near future, since Steve Rice is in the process of retiring and it would be nice to meet. Clerk will set this up at year end.

Commissioners discussed this extensively. A motion by JW, seconded by Jim UYV to repair the 953C for now and budget for this going forward.

A motion by JW, seconded by Randy UYV to go into executive session for Personnel for 15 minutes at 9:35. Back in regular session at 9:50. A motion by Randy, seconded by Jim UYV to extend 5 minutes. Back in regular session at 9:55. A motion by JW, seconded by Randy UYV to extend 5 minutes. Back in regular session at 10:00. No action taken.

Discussed also the matter of a vehicle at the Landfill that the co-owner would like to pick up and had contacted the sheriff. Jim will discuss this case further with Shelby and if it's finalized there is no reason the individual can't pick it up.

County Attorney adjourned the meeting for court.

After further discussion the Commissioners agreed to meet back today at 3:00 and asked the Clerk to have Gwen, Landfill meet with them.

A motion by Randy, seconded by JW UYV to adjourn at 10:25.

Randy called the Commissioners back in session at 3:00 with all above present and he made the motion for executive session for personnel, seconded by Jim, UYV for 30 minutes. Clerk left the meeting. Back in regular session at 3:30. A motion by JW, seconded by Jim UYV to extend 15 minutes. Back in regular session at 3:45. Clerk and Gwen entered. Jim stated it was a consensus of the Commissioners that her services were no longer needed at the Morton County Landfill/Weed department and as of today at 4:30 she was no longer an employee of Morton County. She asked for an explanation and JW stated the Commission felt this was best and did not want to discuss details.

Commissioners asked to meet with the Sheriff to discuss the exit. Then the Commissioners met with Chris McCammon and the change was discussed briefly. A motion by JW, seconded by Jim, UYV for Chris to be the interim.

A motion by Randy, seconded by Jim UYV to adjourn at 4:00.