

MINUTES
MORTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
1025 Morton, Elkhart, KS
August 13, 2018

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

Present: Jim Tucker, Chairman; JW Finn, Vice-Chairman; Randy Bane, Commissioner; Eric Witcher, County Attorney(9:30) and Gina Castillo, County Clerk. Also in attendance was Brian Mitchell as (poll agent for Gov. Jeffery Colyer)and Kenny Mitchell.

2018 Primary Election results canvassed.

Commissioners reviewed the agenda. Commissioners signed 4 A/P Warrant Vouchers listed below; 1 P/R form and Warrant Register. A motion by JW, seconded Jim, UYV to approve the corrected minutes of July 23rd.

General	\$97,998.74
Road/Bridge	\$35,334.10
Noxious Weed	\$26,997.40
Airport	\$2,092.63
Employee Benefits	\$3,531.87
Ambulance	\$5,009.30
Health	\$8,627.96
Fire	\$777.01
E Comm Fund	\$6,900.00
Spec. Econ. Dev	\$196.28
Sales Tax Hosp.	\$16,886.92
Payroll W/H	\$7,418.30
Spec. HWY	\$108,472.50
Golf G/G	\$546.73
Spec. Equip	\$9883.14
Civic Cntr Dep	\$3,710.00
Spec. LEC	\$590.00
Diversion	\$164.99
Spec. Equip.	\$31,950.
Mental Ret.	2,467.75
County Bldg.	9882.98

Treas. M/V	176.05
Emerg. Prep.	481.11
911	1,627.00
Totals	\$372,227.82

Budget hearings at 10:00. No one in attendance.

Kevin—Golf. Jr Golf ended well. Summer help has left, and he has been really busy.

Dana and Sheldon—Road. He asked if he could advertise to hire to fill Don Heberd's position. Sheldon gave information on new grader 3) bids by Foley; 2014(2)140M2 \$264,520 and \$230,000, 12M2 \$208,000. Commissioners tabled for now. Rolla City has asked about helping them condemn some properties and Commissioners will consult with the County Attorney. They will try to get back with him on all these items later today.

Vienna—Civic Center. Presented an email from Mike Shannon, Guymon Economic Dev. regards to the wind farms and wanting to schedule combined meeting with groups in the Panhandle. Commissioners agreed and even offered to sponsor this meeting. Next week both schools will be bringing over students from 7-12th grade for the "What's Next Youth Program" discussing future plans in work, technical schools and further education.

Shelby—Sheriff. Shelby has asked about hiring a new officer that will have to complete the academy. Commissioners approved her request to hire at \$12.11/hr. and increase once completing the academy. Her other pickup is in now.

Hospital—Rich Bergling, CEO, Rodney Johnson and Mike Horton and Brian Mitchell board members. Rich presented the Azalea program recommended and Dr.'s ok'd it, they move the Clinic over to the Hospital. The ICU needs more nurses to make it work with Azalea. The Clinic will be for Speciality Dr's and Physical Therapy. Commissioner Tucker asked if the North Wing was being rented out and the cost. They stated yes, \$400/month for alternative medicine to Angela's Wellness.

Larry—KCAMP. Discussed the value-added services they provide.

Adjourned for lunch at noon. Reconvened at 1:00.

Chris—Landfill/Weed. Discussed the option to take trash in from Keyes, Boise City and possibly other towns. He wants to have a tonnage fee \$30/ton fee and start without the CND. Chris will get started on the process with updating on permits and engineering, survey etc. He also had a Foley salesman tell him they have a dozer for \$170,000. Commissioners discussed this extensively and want to see what the numbers will be with a trade in. Chris will talk to the salesman.

Kevin Taylor—Forest Service. He wanted to discuss a matter with Groundwater management in regards to the gravel pit lease, they are checking into it on their side. Said possibly it was noticed when doing an audit. Just wanted to inform the Commissioners that attorneys may possibly be in contact with them on this matter.

A motion by Randy, seconded by JW, UYV to go into executive session for Personnel for 10 minutes at 2:18. Back in regular session at 2:28. No action taken.

A motion by Randy, seconded by JW, UYV to approve the 2019 budget. A motion by JW, seconded by Jim UYV to go ahead a have Greg do the load test on the Generator. A motion by JW, seconded by Jim, UYV to approve the estimates from Stanfield Roofing to repair the Museum \$1365.00 and the Civic Center \$435.00. Commissioners approved for the Clerk to send in Airport Grant paperwork. Commissioners discussed Dana's requests earlier today; approved on a motion by Randy, seconded JW, UYV to use the money from the gavel roads auction (\$161,176) to go towards and trade in 2007 Cat (\$52,600) for the purchase of the 2018 CAT grader at \$257,890.15 with a final cost from Special Road Machinery of \$44,114.15. We will wait on the new hire for now for the Road Dept. The County Attorney advised that we should not assist in house demolition in Rolla. A motion by JW, seconded by Randy, UYV to approve the sale of the grain that's been in storage at Skyland grain.

A motion by JW, seconded by Randy, UYV to adjourn at 3:54.

Jim Tucker, Chairman

JW Finn, Vice-Chairman

Randy Bane, Commissioner

Attest: _____
Gina Castillo, County Clerk