

MINUTES  
MORTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
1025 Morton, Elkhart, KS  
July 8, 2019

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

Present: JW, Chairman; Jim Tucker, Vice-Chairman; Bill Light, Commissioner; Eric Witcher, County Attorney(9:40) and Gina Castillo, County Clerk.

Pastor Keith Davis with Church of the Nazarene opened with prayer.

A motion by JW, seconded by Bill, UYV to approve the amended minutes from June 24th. Commissioners signed 1P/R form and Warrant Register; 2 A/P Warrant Registers listed below;

	2019
General	\$41,375.91
Road/Bridge	\$7,287.52
Mental Health	\$15,628.15
Airport	\$1,164.44
Emp. Benefits	\$3,784.90
Ambulance	\$1,422.83
Health	\$4,003.02
County Building	\$11,156.74
Fire	\$222.92
P/R Withholding	\$5,715.68
Special HWY	\$78,566.60
Civic Center Dep	\$1,840.00
Diversion Fund	\$496.30
Noxious Weed	
Special Eco. Devo.	\$597.16
Sales Tax Hosp.	\$15,099.14
Historical	
911	
Hospital	
Fair	
Conservation	
Library	
Emergency Prep	\$2,690.26
Special Ambulance	\$3,958.00
Treas. M/V	\$176.05

Totals

\$195,185.62

Greg—Maintenance. The A/C unit is not keeping up where we have the large windows, he would like to get a quote on replacing the Treasurers window and the east side windows with insulated glass. Commissioners approved getting quotes to replace some windows. Reviewed quotes on portable a/c unit for the maintenance building, Commissioners approved the lowest quote from Elkhart Auto at \$765.

Dusty—EMS. Dusty presented the run report. They will have Movie in the park this weekend. EMT testing was last week, 3 have passed practical's and written. Table top with the Hospital and Frontline will be this Thursday. Heat and A/C unit is about 30 years old and he will get a couple of quotes.

Chris—Landfill. All repairs in the office and break room are done. Seems slower receiving trash. They are trying to spray when it's not wet. There has been a lot of musk thistle showing up.

Dana—Road. Asked the County Attorney for the signage contract papers, Eric will get them to him today. Dana also said he is pleased how the road project turned out.

Vienna—Civic Center/Economic Development. They discussed further the Rolla Rec. property they want to purchase through the County. Suggested that they talk to the City of Rolla and Rolla Schools first. Governor Kelly is doing a listening tour for a vision for Rural Prosperity, Vienna is asking to attend the event in Ulysses and will present any comments the Commissioners have on this topic. The YEC summit had great breakout sessions. The funding has decreased through the E Community, may need to have more local support.

Shelby—Sheriff. She discussed the quotes from Ed's Paint and Body, both new patrol vehicles 1 had hail damage, the other was side swiped by a semi-truck. He is also charging a fee for estimates. She is going to get another estimate on both. Elkhart City's police vehicles have been in the shop, we have checked with KCAMP about a lease agreement between the city/county for the older County fleet to be used by the city. KCAMP covers both city/county and feels this works in this situation. Bill made a motion, seconded by Jim, UYV to approve lease agreement.

Hospital—Chad Thompson, new CEO, board members Brian Mitchell and Mike Horton. Discussed the progress with Azalea but there is a glitch in the billing

process, Chad had them come out sooner to fix it. They have a new coding company starting soon. Working again on trying to get 340B critical access, the things they are looking at now is weather patterns. Discussion is going on with a surgeon in Liberal, coming here with their own equipment. Strongly encouraging Telemedicine throughout Clinic, ER and Hospital. Rolla Clinic will now be able to do blood draws again.

A motion to adjourn at 12:15 by JW, seconded by Jim, UYV.

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JW Finn, Chairman

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Jim Tucker, Vice-Chairman

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Bill Light, Commissioner

Attest:  
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Gina Castillo, County Clerk