

## **UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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The Jefferson County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session on Monday, June 24th at 1:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Wayne Ledbetter, Lynn Luck, Richard Malm, Assistant County Counselor Ryan Kriegshauser and County Clerk Linda M Buttron.

Vouchers were reviewed and approved by the Assistant Counselor and the Board. Richard moved that the minutes of June 17<sup>th</sup> be approved as presented. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Dustin Parks, Planning & Zoning Director met with the Board. Dustin discussed work on zoning violations.

Chris Schmeissner, GIS/IT Director updated the Board on the joint aerial photography project with Douglas County, Shawnee County and the City of Lawrence. The group has indicated they are on board with going forward with new photography at the same cost as the previous flight. He also reported that the access control and camera systems projects are complete in the courthouse.

Bill Noll, Public Works Director met with the Board. Bill discussed costs of placing benches along the front sidewalk to aid those with difficulty walking the distance from the street to the courthouse. Bill reported on tree damage on roads from the weekend storms. There were also culverts washed out and several flooded areas. He asked the Board to sign a contract for the upcoming signing project, (Agreement #93-19 Project 44C-4895-01). Richard moved the contract be approved. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Keith Rickard, The Guidance Center met with the Board. Keith discussed services provided by the Guidance Center and their 2020 budget request. Staffing challenges were also discussed. The benefits to the agency from Medicaid expansion were discussed.

Mary Luse, Jefferson County Historical Society met with the Board. Mary discussed the agency's 2020 budget proposal with the Board. They are asking for \$15,150 for 2020. That is an increase from \$650 for this year.

Gary Tucking, Valley Falls met with the Board regarding trees falling on a fence between his and a neighbor's property. Neighbor Matt Kramer was present for the discussion. Sheriff Jeff Herrig discussed the issue as his department has been responding to calls at that location. Jeff stated that it was within the fence law for Mr. Tucking to come onto Matt's property three feet to fix the fence. Matt spoke with regard to the damage caused by Mr. Tucking's cattle getting onto his cropland. Matt stated that he had no problem with Mr. Tucking coming three feet on his

property to fix the fence. The Board stated that their authority was limited to determining a legal fence.

Judy Mears, Lawrence (Sarcoxie township) met with the Board regarding vicious dogs in her neighborhood. Neighbors John & Janet Huchingson were also present. Judy presented cell phone pictures to the Board of animals killed by the pack of dogs. She stated that there are numerous dogs on this property. They want something done regarding the dogs. Dustin Parks spoke with regard to letters that have been sent regarding zoning violations. Sheriff Jeff Herrig reviewed the Sheriff's efforts with regard to this case. Jeff stated that it has been sent to the County Attorney to file charges. The Board encouraged the group to keep in contact with County officials regarding the status of the case.

Wayne moved that Resolution 2019-009 vacating a drainage easement for Rynita Glenn Subdivision at the request of Christopher Yoder be approved. Richard seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Bill Noll asked for an executive session to discuss matters of courthouse security for five (5) minutes. Richard moved that the Board recess into executive session to discuss matters of courthouse security until 2:30 p.m. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 2:22 p.m. Present during the session were Bill, Chris Schmeissner and the Board. The Board reconvened at 2:30 p.m. The chair announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

Bill Noll asked for an executive session. Wayne moved that the Board recess into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel regarding compensation until 2:36 p.m. seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 2:30 p.m. Present during the session were Bill and the Board. The Board reconvened at 2:36 p.m. The chair announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

Richard moved that the Board recess into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel regarding an evaluation until 2:43 p.m. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 2:37 p.m. Present during the session were Bill and the Board. The Board reconvened at 2:43 p.m. The chair announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

There being no further business to come before the Board they adjourned to meet in regular session on July 1, 2019.