

May 18, 2009

The Jefferson County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session on Monday May 18, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Roy Dunnaway, Richard Malm, Lynn Luck, and Linda M. Buttron County Clerk.

Vouchers were reviewed and approved by the Counselor and the Board. Tax change orders were signed. Lynn moved that the minutes of May 11, 2009 be approved as presented. Roy seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Commissioners indicated by consensus that they will meet on Tuesday May 26, 2009. Lynn moved that Resolution 2009-23 addressing the tax liability for a lease purchase agreement with Denison State Bank for the lease purchase of an ambulance be approved as presented. Roy seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Roy seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Lynn moved that Resolution 2009-24 re-appointing Kathy Briney-Wagner as the Jefferson County Appraiser for a four year term beginning July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2013 be approved as presented. Roy seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Linda discussed an early estimate for employee health insurance premiums for 2009. The carrier's ballpark estimate, based on first quarter experience, ranges from a 15% to 20% increase. The cost of a 20% increase would be approximately \$300,000. Other insurance for the County is expected to increase 3% - 5%.

Francis Hubbard, Road and Bridge met with the Board. The crews have been mowing, patching pot holes, hauling rock and cleaning ditches.

Eloise Tichenor, Planning & Zoning met with the Board. The Board signed the decisions on cases heard last week.

Service awards were presented to County Employees. Deidre Boyd, Treasurer's office & Michael Goodell, IT received awards for 5 years of service. Deidre was present to receive her award from the Board. Robert Poppa, Sheriff's office received an award for 15 years of service. Ramon Gonzalez, Sheriff's office received an award for 20 years of service.

Mary Underwood, Treasurer met with the Board. Mary discussed Lakeside Village improved properties that were personally served for the recent tax

sale. She asked for permission to proceed with cleanup of the properties. The Board will tour of the properties to be cleaned up before making a decision.

James Tweed, Ambulance Director met with the Board. Statistics for the department reflect an 11% increase in calls from last year and a 7.5% increase in transports. James reported that the invoice for the 2<sup>nd</sup> ambulance has arrived and he is ready to complete the paperwork for the lease purchase agreement. He asked the Board for an opinion as to putting extra funds toward purchase prior to financing. The Board indicated that if the funds were available he should make the extra payments.

Susan Newell, 911 Director met with the Board. Susan discussed a contract for an upgrade to a time synching program for the computer systems and clocks in the department. She will forward the contract to Jan for review. Other department activities were discussed. Susan asked for permission to attend training for employee management issues. Permission was given by consensus.

Eloise Tichenor, Planning & Zoning met with the Board. Richard moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel until 3:50 p.m. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board adjourned at 3:40 p.m. Present were Eloise and the Board. The Board reconvened at 3:50 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

James Tweed, Ambulance Director met with the Board. Lynn moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel until 4:10 p.m. Roy seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board adjourned at 3:58 p.m. Present during the session were Jan, James and the Board. The Board reconvened at 4:10 p.m. The chairman 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 May 26, 2009.

ATTEST:/s/Linda M Buttron, County Clerk /s/Richard Malm, Chairman