

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 September 22nd at 1:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners, Richard Malm, Lynn Luck, Wayne Ledbetter, Josh Ney, County Counselor and County Clerk, Linda M Buttron.

Vouchers were reviewed and approved by the Counselor and the Board. Lynn moved that the minutes of September 15th be approved as presented. Wayne seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Sheriff Jeff Herrig met with the Board. Jeff reported on the cost of replacing a vehicle totaled in a deer/patrol vehicle accident. Shawnee Mission Ford gave a proposal for a 2015 Ford Explorer for \$26,635 on state purchasing contract with a police package. The Board agreed to the purchase by consensus.

Bill Noll, Public Works Administrator met with the Board. Bill discussed projects for Road and Bridge and Auxiliary Services. The Information Technology building will be putting countertops and cabinets in the test lab area. The Valley Falls shop has been updated with spray foam insulation and the office area rebuilt. Two ATV's used for weed spraying and clearing snow from the grounds will be replaced in due to age and condition.

Mike Baxter, Emergency Management Director met with the Board. Mike discussed the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Wayne moved that Resolution 2014-019 adopting the Northeast Kansas (Region K) Multi-Hazard Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan be signed. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Zachary Mooney, Firefighter for District #11 met with the Board for consideration of his application for an Emergency Vehicle Designation permit. Richard moved that the application of Zachary Mooney be approved. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Earl Stevens, Delaware Fire District #11 Board member met with the Board to give an update on the progress of the audit ordered in March of this year. The auditor expects to have a report ready for the fire district board in mid November for the 2009 year.

Richard moved that Resolution 2014-020 be approved establishing the special assessment rates for the County sewer districts. Wayne seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

The Board discussed the petition received from Lakewood Hills for forming a 3rd class city. The petition has been determined to be sufficient and Josh indicated the next step is to set a hearing for the matter. Sheriff Herrig was present for the discussion and indicated that if a city were formed, law enforcement service in the area would have to be discussed. Josh discussed the process and recommended that the issue be reviewed at next week's meeting for further discussion. The Board agreed to the recommendation.

Bill Noll presented a map of the 2015 proposed chip and seal projects. The map will be posted to the County website soon. The Board signed right of way permits for utility companies. Mud jacking on a low water crossing on 170th west of Valley Falls was discussed. Two proposals were received from KC Master Mud Jackers and Red Star Mud Jacking. KC Master Mud Jackers proposed the project at \$4500/truck or \$750/yard. Red Star Mud Jacking proposed a charge of \$400/yard plus a \$500/day mobilization charge. Wayne moved that the proposal from Red Star Mud Jacking be accepted. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Bill Noll asked for an executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel. Richard moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel until 2:30 p.m. with Linda, Bill & Josh invited to stay to facilitate the discussion. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 2:17 pm. Present during the session were Bill, Linda, Josh and the Board. The Board reconvened at 2:30 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

Josh discussed the 2015 tax sale. Starting after September 2014 the County will start a new tax sale each year. Compensation was discussed, (legal and abstract fees). The 2015 tax sale will have 673 parcels in it. Josh proposed a rate of \$85 per parcel for abstract and legal services. He also proposed that the duty be added to those of the County Counselor's position. Josh also asked that the Board approve paying Assured Title the remainder of the abstract fees owed to the company as their part of the work on the sale is complete. The Board approved the request by consensus.

There being no further business to come before the Board they adjourned to meet in regular session on September 29, 2014.