

**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 April 18, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners, Richard Malm, Roy Dunnaway, Lynn Luck, Jan Hayes, County Counselor 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 April 11 be approved as presented. Roy seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. A notice to the township board was signed for Lakebound Corner Store at 11149 E 39<sup>th</sup> St., Perry, KS for a cereal malt beverage license.

Shellie Hopkins, Auxiliary Services Administrative Assistant met with the Board. Shellie presented proposals for lawn care service to the Board. Proposals were received from: Golden Rule Lawn Care, Top Notch Lawn Care, James H. Schrick, Heston Lawn and Landscape, K-M Extreme. Lynn moved that Golden Rule Lawn Care be engaged to mow the County properties including the courthouse grounds, the property east of Oskaloosa (Road and Bridge & Auxiliary Services), the Veteran's Memorial Park and the land south of Oskaloosa containing the Law Enforcement Center, Ambulance and Health Department, at a weekly cost of \$330.00. Richard seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The cost for in-house staff to mow was estimated to be \$586.25/week.

Jeff Herrig, Sheriff met with the Board. Jeff asked to purchase twenty rifles from the Army through the surplus program. The Board agreed the request by consensus.

Francis Hubbard, Road and Bridge Superintendent met with the Board. The Board signed a right of way permit for a utility company. Crew work was discussed. Work on Northwind Drive was discussed. He reported culverts are installed and the trees have been removed. The estimated starting date for BSN#36 is May 1, 2011.

Zach Snyder, Lawrence asked about the status of the lift station that sits on his property near Meriden. He asked what the Board will do about that (as a letter was sent to Meriden from the Planning & Zoning office) and how is that situation different than the Boy Scout's foundation. The Board indicated that to their knowledge they have not heard any reply from the City of Meriden but would have Planning & Zoning check on the issue.

David Christy, Meriden asked the Board about the speed limit on 62<sup>nd</sup> street. The speed was lowered from 55 mph to 35 mph during his term. After lowering the speed limit there have only been three accidents, two of which occurred on the hill close to his driveway. He asked if the speed limit on the hill could be lowered to 25 mph and a sign be placed to warn drivers of a steep hill ahead. The Board agreed to place a steep hill sign and work on the speed limit request.

Phil Drescher & Stephen Euston, Bukaty Companies met with the Board to give the Commissioners a quarterly report of the health insurance program for the County employees. The County has been on the plan six months at this time. The aggregate loss ratio at this point is 94%. Paid claims exceeded the average in January and February but based on statistics he expects them to trend downward and return to normal. Usage of the prescription drug plan was also discussed. Employees have done a good job using generics compared to other WellDyne businesses in the first six months of the plan. Phil reported that he has meet twice with the Employee Committee and commends them for their work on a Wellness Program for County employees. Renewal numbers will be available by the end of July.

Jan asked for an executive session to discuss matters of attorney client privilege. Richard moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters of attorney client privilege until 3:15 p.m. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 2:45 p.m. Present during the session were Planning & Zoning staff-Eloise Tichenor & Duane Buscher (to facilitate the discussion), Jan and the Board. The Board reconvened at 3:05 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding action was taken during executive session. Richard moved that the Board continue in executive session to discuss the same issue until 4:00 p.m. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 3:07 p.m. The same parties were present. The Board reconvened at 4:00 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

Richard moved that the Board of County Commissioners submit an application to the Planning Commission for proposed text changes as amendments to the Jefferson County Zoning Regulations at their meeting on May 17, 2011 and further to authorize the publication of notice of the hearing in the official County newspaper and further authorize the chairman to sign the application. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

There being no further business to come before the Board they adjourned to meet in regular session on Monday April 25, 2011.