

**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 16, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners, Richard Malm, Roy Dunnaway, Lynn Luck Jan Hayes-County Counselor and Linda Buttron, County Clerk.

Vouchers were reviewed and approved by the Board and the Counselor for payment. Payroll for April 13, 2012 was approved as presented. Lynn moved that the minutes of April 9, 2012 be approved as presented. Roy seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Francis Hubbard, Road and Bridge met with the Board. He updated the Board on Bridge #OS32A and crew work.

Jeff Herrig, Sheriff met with the Board. At the request of residents in the area, Jeff asked the Board to consider placing a speed limit on Northwind Drive. The Board requested that a traffic count be done on the road before deciding on a speed limit.

Beth Brown, Health Department Administrator and Sharon Spratt, Cottonwood CDDO Director met with the Board. They would like the Board to pass a resolution urging the Governor's office to carve out the services provided to citizens with developmental disabilities from the "KanCare" program. Lynn moved that

Resolution 2012-009 encouraging the Governor of the State of Kansas to carefully consider any change in the Medicaid or health care provisions for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities, to remove long-term care services for said persons from the proposed privatized managed care plan, and to continue present state/county-appointed CDDO Administration of this service delivery system be approved as presented. Roy seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Bill Noll, Planning & Zoning Administrator met with the Board. Bill discussed the first quarter report for building permits in the County. To date the County has issued 28 permits. In 2011 32 permits were issued during the same time frame.

Delia Heston, Register of Deeds met with the Board. Delia reported that document recording are up 20% over last year. Revenue to be deposited with the County is up 30% over the first quarter last year. Safety Committee Report-Delia reported that a tornado drill is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday in the courthouse. Emergency Management will be monitoring the drill and the public in the building at the time will be invited to participate. The Board expressed support for the safety drill.

Curt Niehaus- Metro Engineer for KDOT, Kim Qualls-NEK Public Affairs Manager for KDOT, Steve King- KDOT Road Design Section, John Hobelman-Bartlett & West and Steve Bass-KDOT Road Squad Leader met with the Board. The group discussed the development of a plan for future work (as funding becomes available) to be known as the "Interim Oakland Expressway Improvements with Interchange at NE 46th St. Project" from US- 24 Hwy to 54th street. The plan would create major safety benefits for a section of road that currently has many private access points as well as multiple at-grade intersections. The plan

would provide an interim practical improvement until funds are available to build the entire four-lane roadway and remove the existing interchange at old K-4 Hwy and US-24 Hwy. Traffic on the section of road proposed to be improved averages 7,900 vehicles per day (VPD). It is expected to increase to 9,300 VPD in 2022 and 12,850 VPD in 2042. After construction of this two-lane facility, it is projected to reduce the traffic volume on old K-4 Hwy to 2,450 VPD in 2022 and 3,150 VPD in 2042. Proposed improvements include the building of the westbound lanes (west side) of the future four-lane roadway to match the existing two lanes south of US-24 Hwy and include a diamond interchange at NE 46th street to handle the projected traffic. With this interim plan, the existing interchange at US-24 Hwy and old K-4 Hwy would remain as it is, the old K-4 Hwy would remain on the State Highway system. Old K-4 Hwy would be used as the westbound US-24 Hwy to northbound K-4 Hwy connection and the southbound K-4 Hwy to eastbound US-24 Hwy connection. There would be no access to/from K-4 Hwy at NE 31st, NE 35th or NE 39th streets. The overall cost of the project is estimated at \$25.8 million (Per 4th quarter 2011 estimates). They asked the Board for support of the plan. The Board discussed possible issues with fire protection and school bus routes. KDOT may hold public meetings as early as this summer to get input on the project plans.

Richard discussed amending Conditional Use Permit CU2011/03 to correct a clerical error. Richard moved that the amended permit be adopted as presented. Roy seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Teresa Hattemer, Appraiser was present to receive a service award for 25 years of service to the County. Tanya Newell, Billing Manager for the Health Department was not present but also received a service award for 10 years of service to the County.

Bob Best, Oskaloosa revisited an issue regarding an agricultural lot split on his property. (He previously met with the Commissioners on March 12, 2012.) He stated that errors by the County, the title company, the mortgage company and the surveyor in 1997 have caused him to currently be unable to sell a tract of the land for building purposes without standing the cost of having a survey done on the property. Due to the County's part in the problem, he asked the Board to correct a problem with the split at no expense to himself. Bill Noll, Planning & Zoning reviewed the history of the problem. The Board discussed their views on the issue. The Board's consensus was that Bob should seek an agricultural lot split on the property to resolve the issue. Richard moved that the County waive the associated Planning & Zoning fees if Mr. Best proceeds with the agricultural lot split. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Doug Schmitt, Emergency Management Director and Mike Hayes, County Counselor along with Sheriff Jeff Herrig & Susan Newell, 911 Director met with the Board. Richard moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters of safety until 2:50 p.m. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 2:40 p.m. Present during the session were Doug, Jeff, Susan, Mike, Jan and the Board to facilitate the discussion. The Board reconvened at 2:50 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

Susan Newell, 911 Director met with the Board. She asked for an executive session to discuss matters of safety/security and non-elected personnel. Lynn moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters of safety/security and non-elected personnel until 3:25 p.m. Richard seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 3:05 p.m. The Board

reconvened at 3:25 p.m. Roy moved that Sherri Mabary be appointed as Deputy Director for 911 Communications. Richard seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Mark Richards, Auxiliary Services Director met with the Board. Jan requested a session for matters of attorney client privilege until 3:40 p.m. Richard moved that the Board recess into executive session to discuss matters of attorney client privilege until 3:40 p.m. with Mark present to facilitate the discussion. Roy seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 3:30 p.m. Present during the session were Mark, Mike, Jan and the Board. The Board reconvened at 3:38 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

Doug Schmitt, Emergency Management Director met with the Board. Richard moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel until 3:45 p.m. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 3:41 p.m. Present during the session were Doug and the Board. The Board reconvened at 3:45 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 April 23, 2012.