

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, January 7, 2002, to individually review correspondence. Chairman Gene Merry called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with members Fred Rowley, Jr., Johnnie Sleezer, Tim Sipe and Larry Crofts present. Also present were County Clerk Vernon Birk, Administrative Coordinator Mary Bloomer and County Attorney Doug Witteman. WCNO Representative Jeannene Ryan and Coffey County Republican Editor Mark Petterson were present for part of the meeting.

2. Rowley moved to approve the minutes of Monday, December 31, 2001, as corrected, seconded by Sleezer. Motion carried. Corrections were: December 31, 2001, paragraph 15, change 'three' to "five" in third sentence.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Upon the recommendation of the Register of Deeds, move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for Linda Traylor, extending her service as a U.T. Temp., at a classification of C-IV-a and a wage of \$12.28/hour, effective January 4, 2002.
- B. Upon the recommendation of the County Engineer, move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for Matt Drumm, S.T. Temp Laborer at the Landfill, at a classification of M-I-a(-) and an hourly wage of \$6.97/hour, effective January 1, 2002. This is an extension until June 1, 2002.
- C. Upon the recommendation of the County Engineer, move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for Jeff Beyer, as Landfill Supervisor, at a classification of TP-III-a(-) and an hourly wage of \$13.99/hour, effective January 22, 2002.
- D. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign one Order for Refund of Taxes in the amount of \$6.87.
No. 4562 payable to St. John's Lutheran Church in the amount of \$6.87 for the year 2001.
Reason: Exempt; ordered by State Board of Tax Appeals.

3 a. Sleezer moved to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.

4. The County Clerk reported two bids were received for weatherproofing the exterior of the courthouse. Bids presented:

Mid Continental Restoration, Fort Scott

• Masonry Waterproofing	\$16,664.00
• Caulking Replacement	<u>18,732.00</u>
Total	\$35,396.00

Superior Masonry & Restoration, Inc., Garnett

1. Masonry Waterproofing	\$12,400.00
2. Caulking Replacement (Entryway Tile)	3,150.00
3. Caulking Replacement (Building Exterior)	<u>2,600.00</u>
Total	\$18,150.00

4 a. Merry moved to accept options 1, 2, & 3 of the bid from Superior Masonry and Restoration, Inc. as being the best bid at a cost not to exceed \$18,150.00, with funds to come from the Courthouse General Fund, Capital Outlay Line Item, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.

5. Becky Jewett, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, presented and discussed the monthly report for December 2001. Jewett also reported she will be in St. Louis, Missouri for the next three days attending an emergency mitigation class. She and Susan Mueller, Coffey County Health Administrator, will be in Topeka on Friday, January 11, 2002, for a bio-terrorism class.

6. Jewett advised the Board Jeff Beyer had accepted the Landfill Supervisor position and asked permission to advertise for the position being vacated. The Board authorized the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator to advertise for a Radiological Officer/Assistant Emergency Preparedness Coordinator position. Jewett also provided the Board with FEMA's draft exercise report for the Wolf Creek drill.

7. Bill Walker, Coffey County Fire District #1 Administrator, met with the Board to discuss implementing a burn ban for Coffey County due to the extreme dry conditions.

7 a. Crotts moved to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign a Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency to implement a burn ban for the entire County of Coffey for a seven-day period, effective January 7, 2002 at 10:00 a.m., seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.

8. At approximately 10:00 a.m., the Chairman asked for discussion and a decision of Zoning Case No. SU2001-01 to establish a Substation/Generating Station at 1713 Oxen Lane NE (Sharpe area). Mikel W. Kline, Vice President, Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (KEPco), owner of the facility, was present and gave a brief description of the proposed operation. Kline said they are proposing to install 10 generators to be used during peak requirements, otherwise they would be idle. He said they intend to have them in operation June 1, 2002.

9. The County Clerk reported no protest petitions were received. No public persons were present to comment on or protest the application.

10. Zoning Administrator John Zuern gave a brief background report and reported the Coffey County Planning Board unanimously recommended approval.

10 a. Sipe moved to adopt the findings and factors and recommendation of the Planning Board on Case No. SU2001-01 and to approve Resolution No. 704, seconded by Sleezer. Motion carried.

11. Jon Hotaling, Economic Development Director, presented and discussed the weekly report for the week of December 31st to January 4th, 2001.

12. Item No. 95-9; Hotaling attended the Coffey County Strategic Planning Committee meeting held at the Coffey County Hospital on January 2, 2002. Hotaling discussed the Leadership Coffey County Youth Class to be held January 7th. Hotaling discussed the Kansas Sports, Boat and Travel Show coming up in February. Several members volunteered to help staff the Coffey County booth. Hotaling discussed the promotion of the Artrain and the Smithsonian exhibits coming to Coffey County.

13. Item No. 95-29; Hotaling finalized the materials and set up room in the courthouse basement for the Leadership class on January 7th. The class presenters will be Commissioner Gene L. Merry, Senator Derek Schmidt, Legislative Lobbyist Whitney Damron and Jon Hotaling. The class will begin with a tour of the County Emergency Operation Center presented by Jeff Beyer.

14. Item No. 98-6; Hotaling attended the Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission meeting in Chanute. The committee reviewed several revolving loan accounts and approved intergovernmental reviews for two KDHE grant applications.

15. Item No. 01-3; Hotaling completed the labeling of the Artrain posters and delivered them to the library and several businesses in Burlington and LeRoy. The library staff will assist with the delivery of the posters in Lebo, Waverly and Gridley.

16. Hotaling reviewed the tourism signs proposal with a representative of the company who installed the signs at the Coffey County Airport.

17. Hotaling photographed and catalogued the sites in Burlington that could be possibilities for murals.

18. Randy Rogers, Coffey County Sheriff, met with the Board to discuss the proposals for two-2002 patrol cars. Only one bid was received:

Crow Moddie Ford	List Price	\$51,380.00
	Less Trade-in, 2 Units	5,500.00
	Less Gov. Discount	<u>6,688.00</u>
	Net 2 Units	\$39,192.00

18 a. Sleezer moved that the bid submitted by Crow-Moddie Ford be approved as the best bid, and that two Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptors be purchased according to the terms of the bid, based upon the recommendation of Sheriff Randy Rogers, and that disposal proceedings be prepared on the two trade-in vehicles as appropriate, seconded

by Sipe. Motion carried, 4-yes, 1-no, Crotts. Crotts said he voted against the purchase because only one bid was received.

18 b. Sleezer moved, upon the recommendation of the Sheriff's Department, to find that two vehicles, more particularly described as one (1) 1998 Ford Crown Victoria, dark gray in color, VIN/2FAFP71W3WX152176 and one (1) 1998 Ford Crown Victoria, blue in color, VIN/2FAFP71W1WX152175, are no longer required and cannot prudently be used for public purposes of Coffey County, and as such, should be disposed of by trade-in sale to Crow-Moddie Ford for \$2,500.00 and \$3,000.00, respectively, and to publish notice of the Board's intent to dispose of such property by action of the Board on January 22, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., seconded by Sipe. Motion carried, 4-yes, 1-no, Crotts.

19. Hub Caspar, Coffey County Engineer, presented the weekly report dated January 7, 2002.

20. Item No. 93-01; Road Permit Report: No Road Permits were issued during the past week.

21. Item No. 99-99; Zoning Permit/Applications Report: No Zoning Permits were issued during the past week.

22. Sleezer moved to recess into Executive Session at 11:17 a.m. for 5 minutes to include each of the Commissioners, the County Attorney and the County Engineer to discuss matters which would be considered privileged in the attorney/client relationship, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.

23. The Board resumed regular session at 11:22 a.m.

24. Crotts moved to re-enter Executive Session at 11:24 a.m. for 5 minutes to include each of the Commissioners, the County Attorney and the County Engineer to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel, seconded by Sleezer. Motion carried.

25. The Board resumed regular session at 11:29 a.m.

26. The Board discussed several intersections throughout the County. The County Attorney suggested doing an engineer's study for some of the intersections. The County Attorney will work with the County Engineer on this matter.

27. Sleezer moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 a.m., seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Response Required

1. Tim Conrad, USD #243 – Letter regarding funding of technology projects.

Response Not Required

2. City of Burlington – Minutes of December 12, 2001.
3. ECKAN – Thank you for food donations.
4. Whitney Damron – Newspaper Article and Opinion of Attorney General.
5. Kansas Emergency Management – Newsletter, Fall 2001.
6. Coffey County Council on Aging – Minutes of November 7, 2001.
7. Fourth Judicial District Corrections Board – Minutes of October 9, 2001.

Minutes, January 7, 2002

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk