

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, February 24, 2003, to individually review correspondence. Chairman Gene Merry called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with members Tim Sipe, R. Kraig Kirchner, Larry Crotts and Fred Rowley, Jr. present. Also present were Angie Kirchner, Budgetary Accounting Specialist I, Doug Witteman, County Attorney, and Mary Bloomer, Administrative Coordinator. Present for a portion of the meeting were Jeannene Ryan, WCNOC Representative, Sam Robinson, The Gleam & KSNP, and Mark Petterson, The Coffey County Republican. Coffey County Clerk Vernon Birk was conducting an election school.

2. Rowley moved to approve the minutes of Tuesday, February 18, 2003, as corrected, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried. Corrections were: February 18, 2003, paragraph 1, after 'Representative' add "and Doug Witteman, County Attorney". Paragraph 2, change 'paragraph 2' to "paragraph 9", after 'Drug' add "and change (P.A.P.) to (P.D.P.)", and change '11:35 a.m.' to "11:33 a.m." Paragraph 3, delete 'is in process', replace with "has been looked at and is being taken care of". Paragraph 6, after 'Maxwell,' add "East Central Kansas". Paragraph 7, second sentence, after 'and' add "was advised the City of Burlington". Paragraph 8 second sentence, delete 'goes' replace with "went" and after 'Fund' add "in 2002". Paragraph 20, delete 'a source of', replace with "The brochure indicates", after 'power' delete " , which". Paragraph 21, after 'possible' add "grant", second sentence, after 'Director' add "of Burlington High School". Paragraph 22, add third sentence "Hotaling will provide additional information to the Board next week." Paragraph 29, after 'pursue' delete 'the SEK' replace with "any". At the end of Paragraph 31a, add, "Motion carried." Paragraph 33, second sentence, delete 'unforeseen circumstances', replace with "a shortage of staff". Paragraph 34, after 'requested' add "the Clerk".

3. Elysa Lovelady, Coffey County Appraiser, reported that an employee's son passed away Friday evening February 23rd, 2003. Lovelady informed the Board that her employees in the Coffey County Appraiser's office would like to attend the funeral on Tuesday, February 25, 2003. Lovelady will be closing the Coffey County Appraiser's office from 9:45 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 25, 2003 in order for employees to attend the funeral.

**4. Consent Agenda:**

- A. Upon the recommendation of the Economic Development Director, move to authorize and direct the Chairman to endorse the check from Rike Equipment Corporation for \$8,000 for a used Rimrock Extractor, model 195-80, serial no. 195 EA75-C7841, and deposit the check in the Ampro Equipment Lease Fund. The equipment belonged to Western National Bank.
- B. Upon the recommendation of the Economic Development Director, move to approve a voucher for payment of \$8,000 to Western National Bank, for Loan No. 70004651, with funds to come from the Ampro Equipment Lease Fund.
- C. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign 3 abatements to the Treasurer's tax roll in the amount of \$672.00.

- 4a.** Sipe moved to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.
- 5.** Merry moved, at the request of Donna Pashman, Group Consultant for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas, to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the designation form for Coffey County regarding the individuals within the group who may access information as a result of HIPAA law, seconded by Kirchner. Motion carried.
- 6.** Rowley moved to approve the letter to County employees regarding their wage and benefit package for 2002, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.
- 7.** Keith Clark, the new Director of the Fourth Judicial District Community Corrections, met with the Board to introduce himself and to discuss his background and experience in the Community Corrections field.
- 8.** Jon Hotaling, Economic Development Director, presented and discussed the weekly report for the week of February 18, 2003.
- 9.** Item No. 95-25; Hotaling set up the Coffey County booth at the Wichita Sports, Boat & Travel Show on Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. Hotaling worked the Wednesday night, Thursday night, and Sunday afternoon shifts. Show attendees were very interested in the water level and security status at Coffey County Lake. Several attendees mentioned an article in "In Fisherman" recently that featured Coffey County Lake. Traffic was heavy and Hotaling distributed a large number of brochures. Coffey County 'coffee' was a hit with attendees stopping by the booth.
- 10.** Item No. 98-10; Hotaling finalized addresses and invitations to be mailed out for the SEK, Inc. membership luncheon, to be held at the Coffey County Hospital, on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Lynda Wilkinson, Executive Director of SEK, Inc., will provide information on SEK, Inc. activities and membership benefits.
- 11.** Item No. 01-5; Hotaling delivered Kansas Leadership Forum (KLF) records, accounts, books, membership roster, etc., to the new treasurer, Seth Bate, Executive Director of the Winfield Chamber of Commerce.
- 12.** Item No. 02-2; Hotaling photographed, tagged, and inventoried equipment at Kansas Assemblies, Inc. in LeRoy. Hotaling toured hose operation and discussed progress with Garry DeSloover.
- 13.** Hotaling is working with a local resident on setting up a benefit turkey hunt for Hunters Hope Foundation. The foundation is named after NFL Hall of Fame quarterback Jim Kelly's son, Hunter. Jim Kelly and several other former NFL players would participate in the hunt. A dinner and other fundraising events are being organized.
- 14.** The tentative scheduled date for the benefit turkey hunt is April 24<sup>th</sup> thru April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2003.

**15.** Randy Rogers visited briefly with the Board regarding the Governor's Fishing Classic. He has looked over the Melvern Lake area to consider as a backup for the Governor's Fishing Classic if the Homeland Security threat level is not reduced below a level of 'Orange.' However, Rogers is going to prepare a security plan to present to the NRC and the owners of Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation to possibly allow Coffey County Lake to be open only for the Governor's Fishing Classic. Since the Fishing Classic is by 'Invitation Only' and it's an on-going yearly event, Rogers doesn't feel that there would be any harm in opening the lake for that day only.

**16.** Rowley moved to open the Public Hearing to vacate one half mile on Blackbird Road between 13<sup>th</sup> Road and 13<sup>th</sup> Lane, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.

**16a.** No public persons were present to comment on or oppose the vacation.

**16b.** Sipe moved to close the Public Hearing regarding the vacation of one half mile on Blackbird Road between 13<sup>th</sup> Road and 13<sup>th</sup> Lane, seconded by Crofts. Motion carried.

**16c.** Merry moved to approve Resolution 618-ad, A RESOLUTION TO VACATE ONE HALF MILE ON BLACKBIRD ROAD BETWEEN 13<sup>TH</sup> ROAD AND 13<sup>TH</sup> LANE, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.

**17.** Hub Caspar, Coffey County Engineer, presented the weekly report dated February 24, 2003. Robert Reed, Road Supervisor, and John Zuern, Administrative Assistant, were also present.

**18.** Item No. 93-01; Road Permits Report: Two Road Permits were issued during the past week.

**19.** Item No. 99-99; Zoning Permit/Applications Report: One Zoning Permit was issued during the past week.

**20.** Item No. 2003-10; Summer Help: Request authorization to advertise for summer help.

4	Truck Drivers
1	Dirt Crew
3	Asphalt Crew
<u>3</u>	Mower Crew
11	Total

**20a.** Crofts moved, upon the recommendation of the County Engineer, to authorize advertising for 11 summer help positions, seconded by Kirchner. Motion carried.

**21.** Sipe moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:14 a.m. until Wednesday, February 26, 2003, at 8:30 a.m. to sign checks and vouchers, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Response Optional

1. Center for Management Development – Notice of Seminars.

Response Not Required

2. Natural Alliance for Youth – Sporting Kid – Magazine
3. Hawver’s Capitol Report – 2-18-03; 2-19-03; 2-20-03; 2-21-03
4. Whitney Damron – Legislative Bulletin re: E-911 legislation
5. Stumbo, Hanson, & Hendricks – Notice of new partners to law firm
6. Family of Harold Davies – Thank you
7. City of Burlington – Minutes of 2-5-03
8. Coffey County Fire District #1 – Manual of Administrative and Operations Guidelines
9. KAC – Legislative Bulletin of 2-21-03
10. League of Kansas Municipalities – League News

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Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk