

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, May 14, 2001, to individually review correspondence. Chairman Gene Merry called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with members Tim Sipe, Fred Rowley, Jr., Johnnie Sleezer and Larry Crofts present. Also present were County Clerk Vernon Birk, County Attorney Doug Witteman and Administrative Coordinator Mary Bloomer. WCNOC Representative Jenny Hageman and The Coffey County Republican Editor Mark Petterson were present for part of the meeting.

2. Sipe moved to approve the minutes of May 7, 2001 as corrected, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried. Corrections were: May 7, 2001, paragraph 10, add at end of paragraph, "Rogers will discuss it further with the dispatchers, review the job descriptions and report back to the Board." Paragraph 11, delete '\$21,275.00' and add "\$40,275.00." Paragraph 29, line 1, after "about the" add "timing of."

3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

A. Upon the recommendation of the County Engineer, move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notices for CSA compensation for Robert Reed as acting Department Head and John Zuern as Zoning Administrator for the month of May 2001.

B. Upon the recommendation of the County Engineer, move to direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for the following S.T. Temps:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Hourly Wage</u>
Donald Wiggins	M-III-a(-)	Equipment Operator-Mowing Crew	\$10.21
Brian Clay	M-III-a(-)	Equipment Operator-Mowing Crew	\$10.13
Lisa Ranes	C-II-a(-)	Landfill Clerk	\$7.25

C. Upon the recommendation of the Sheriff, move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for Ron Petersen, New Hire Deputy, at a classification of LE-III-b(-) and an hourly wage of \$11.92. This is to fill the vacancy created by a recent resignation.

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

4. The County Attorney discussed the General Motor redemption certificates with the Board. After discussion, the Board decided to hold on to the certificates to possibly apply toward future vehicle/truck purchases.

5. Susan Mueller, Coffey County Health Administrator, updated the Board on several Health Department issues. Mueller said tetanus and flu vaccines will be in short supply again this year. She also recommended rehiring Thelma Jones for the summer to help with school physicals and office work.

5 a. Sleezer moved, upon the recommendation of Susan Mueller, Health Administrator, to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for Thelma Jones, S.T. Temp Public Health Nurse III, at a classification of TPIIID and an hourly wage of \$15.60, effective June 1, 2001. This position will terminate on August 31, 2001, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.

6. Elysa Lovelady, Coffey County Appraiser, met with the Board to discuss adding three work stations in the Appraiser's office.

6 a. Sipe moved, upon the recommendation of the County Appraiser and approval of the County Attorney as to form, to approve the Invitation to Bid for three (3) work stations for the Appraiser's office, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried, 4-yes, 1-no, Merry.

7. Sleezer moved to recess into Executive Session at 9:43 a.m. for 5 minutes to include each of the Commissioners and the County Attorney to discuss matters which would be deemed privileged in the attorney/client relationship, seconded by Merry. Motion carried.

7 a. The Board resumed regular session at 9:48 a.m.

8. Sleezer moved, upon the approval of the County Attorney, to accept the bid of Kansas Die Casting and Manufacturing, Inc., LeRoy, Kansas, in the amount of \$40,275.00, for the "AMPRO County-owned Brass Machining Equipment" as the best bid and to award the same to Kansas Die Casting and Manufacturing, Inc. and to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the related Sale Agreement upon approval as to form by the County Attorney, seconded by Merry. Motion carried.

9. Crotts moved to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Proclamation proclaiming the month of June 2001 as Kansas Business Appreciation Month, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.

10. Jon Hotaling, Economic Development Director, was unable to attend but left the weekly report for the week of May 7th – May 11th with the Board.

11. Item No. 95-4; Hotaling observed the loading of AMPRO owned equipment and oil barrels on Monday and Friday. Hotaling showed John Andrick the remaining AMPRO owned equipment, light switches, locks, evaporation pit, etc., in case he needs to let the riggers or oil re-claimers in the building this week. Hotaling reviewed maintenance invoices for screw machine equipment purchases and gave information to Doug Witteman.

12. Item No. 95-25; Hotaling delivered brochures and permits to city halls (Lebo, New Strawn and Gridley) for the Governor's Classic City Lake Fishing Tournament. Hotaling also delivered to businesses that usually sell city lake permits (Snovelle Welding, Rodgers Oil and Nancy's Grocery in Gridley; Dean Knight Oil and Universal

Inn Motel in Lebo). Permits are also available at the Coffey County Lake gatehouse and the Coffey County Chamber of Commerce. Hotaling met with representatives from KSNP and the Coffey County Republican to set up advertising for the Governor's Classic events and the city lakes tournament. Hotaling will also be advertising the city lakes tournament on Emporia radio stations and in Ottawa and Emporia newspapers. Hotaling attended the Governor's Classic Committee Meeting. The committee is trying to wrap up all the details for the golf and fishing tournaments. Hotaling ordered plaques for the paper tournament and Coffey County Hospital has offered to host the guides' breakfast and provide bottled water for the Hooked on Fishing, Not on Drugs (HOFNOD) youth from all across Kansas who will be attending the fishing activities on June 6th.

13. Item No. 97-6; Hotaling attended the Coffey County Manufacturer's Association meeting in Gridley. The organization approved a \$100.00 donation to support the 21st Century Community Learning Center's summer movie program and a \$500.00 donation to assist the Coffey County Academy of Learning purchase equipment for a basic electronics course. After the meeting, members enjoyed a tour of Overland Tool Co. hosted by Greg and Kim Bashaw. Members enjoyed viewing the CNC sharpening equipment in operation. The 32' x 60' facility was full of specialized sharpening and grinding equipment. The company has seen an increase in their sharpening and repair business.

14. Hotaling completed the proclamation for the Kansas Business Appreciation Month for the month of June. Hotaling will participate in the business appreciation picnic lunch, co-sponsored by the Cities of Burlington and New Strawn, to be held June 22nd in Kelley Park.

15. Hotaling completed invoices and letters to USD's and Southeast Kansas Service Center concerning the requested funding support for the Coffey County Academy of Learning basic electronics program.

16. Hotaling finalized plans for flight training scholarship reception to be held in the Courthouse lobby at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, May 21, 2001.

17. Sealed bids for the AMPRO building and sealed bids for the AMPRO die-casting equipment will be opened on Monday, May 21, 2001.

18. Hotaling will be on vacation May 14th to May 18th.

19. Doug VanderLinden, USD 244 Technology Director, and Bill Bauer, Coffey County Information Systems Administrator, met with the Board to discuss Internet Service to the residents of Coffey County utilizing the Coffey County Fiber Optic Network. VanderLinden gave the Board a brief history of the project, which began late in 1997. He also made the point that this service in itself would not necessarily make the Internet faster. He said if approved the project should be well underway by August of this year.

- 20.** Rowley moved to approve Resolution No. 694. A HOME RULE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COFFEY COUNTY, KANSAS TO CONTRACT WITH INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR DIAL-UP MODEM AND/OR OTHER DATA COMMUNICATION ALTERNATIVES TO CONNECT COFFEY COUNTY RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES TO THE COFFEY COUNTY FIBER NETWORK AND THE INTERNET, seconded by Sleezer. Motion carried.
- 21.** Upon the recommendation of the Fiber Optic Control Board, and upon approval of the County Attorney as to form, Merry moved to approve the Invitation to Submit Proposals for providing Internet Service to Coffey County residents and businesses utilizing the Coffey County Fiber Optic Network, and further direct the County Clerk to publish the Invitation to Submit Proposals, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.
- 22.** Sleezer moved to enter into a public hearing at 11:00 a.m. for the purpose of hearing comments or objections to disposing of approximately two hundred (200) tons of scrap iron and appliances, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.
- 23.** No interested persons were in attendance to comment or object to the disposal.
- 24.** Sipe moved to close the public hearing regarding approximately two hundred (200) tons of scrap iron and appliances, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.
- 25.** Crotts moved upon the recommendation of the County Engineer and approval of the County Attorney, to dispose of approximately two hundred (200) tons of scrap iron and appliances, by sale to Coffey County Recycling of Yates Center, Kansas, for the price of \$13.00 per ton, seconded by Sleezer. Motion carried.
- 26.** John Zuern, Administrative Assistant, presented the weekly report for the Highway Department dated May 14, 2001. Hub Casper and Robert Reed were attending a seminar.
- 27.** Item No. 93-01; Road Permit Report: One Road Permit was issued during the past week.
- 28.** Item No. 99-99; Zoning Permit/Application Report: Four Zoning Permits were issued during the past week.
- 29.** Item No. 2001-06; Microsurfacing – Project No. A2101-C; Request approval of plans and estimates for Project No. A2101-C and authorize solicitation of sealed bids for same by publication in the official county newspaper.
- 30.** Sleezer moved to adopt the engineer’s estimate and approve the plans and specifications and authorize the County Engineer to solicit sealed bids for Project No. A2101-C, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.

31. Item No. 2001-07; U.S. 75 – Bridge North of Burlington: The Engineer’s Office received a call from KDOT Wednesday, May 9th concerning the North River Bridge and KDOT is sending their Snooper Truck and Bridge Design Team to inspect the bridge on Friday, May 11. The Bridge will be completely analyzed for any plate or bar replacement, addition of cover plates or other structural members in order that the weight limit can be raised to the legal semi-truck limit. A claim will have to be filed by Coffey County for any damage determined to be caused to County roads during the time when trucks were re-routed around the North River Bridge.

32. Item No. 2001-08; Bridge Steel: Request authorization to solicit sealed bids for structural steel for Bridge 162 (2-U.65) and Bridge 349 (16.5-D.75).

33. Rowley moved to authorize the County Engineer to solicit sealed bids for structural steel for Bridges 162 & 349, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.

34. JoAnn Freeman, Joyce Brownfield, and Norma Mannschreck, representing the LeRoy Cemetery Board, presented bids for rock and grading new roads in the LeRoy Cemetery. In an earlier visit with this Board, the Cemetery Board was told that if they needed help with funding the road, to come back before this Board. Bids were presented for approximately 1300 feet of roadway including 6” of rock:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Price</u>
EMT Construction Services, Inc. Lebo, Kansas	\$ 6,632.00
Skillman Construction Burlington, Kansas	\$ 9,750.00
Schmidt Construction Burlington, Kansas	\$ 3,730.26

35. In further discussion it was decided that LeRoy Cemetery Board would pay \$ 1,000.00 and the County would pay the balance. Fred Walrod, Right-of-Way Coordinator/Field Surveyor, who assisted with the road design, was also present.

36. Merry moved to grant the LeRoy Cemetery Board \$ 2,730.26 to assist with the construction of a road in the new addition. Funds will come from the Coffey County General Fund, line item contractual services, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.

37. Crotts moved to accept the bid for computer training for the Microsoft Office Suite, from Computech Training Services, with student costs to come from Departmental Budgets and mileage, meal allowances, and lodging expenses for the instructor to come from the Courthouse General Fund, seconded by Sleezer. Motion carried.

38. Brian Morray, President of the Coffey County Extension Council, presented the 2002 budget request in the amount of \$123,649.00. Benny Robbins (Kansas Cooperative

Extension), Warren Bell (County Extension Agriculture Agent), Rita Dawson (Extension Agent FACS), and Extension Council Board Members, Lori Rand, Barb Hills, Norma Stoks, Rosemary Rick, Jane Douglass and Dale Milburn were also present.

39. Sipe moved to approve the Coffey County Extension Council 2002 Budget request, in the amount of \$123,649.00, as submitted, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.

40. Upon the recommendation of the County Treasurer and the approval of the County Attorney as to form, Crofts moved to approve the ACH Origination Agreement between Coffey County and People's National Bank, a branch of Western National Bank, and to authorize and direct the chairman to sign the same, seconded by Sleezer. Motion carried.

41. Commissioner Crofts will be in Great Bend on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday attending a seminar.

42. Commissioner Rowley mentioned that it might be good to review the Fence Law. The County Attorney was directed to prepare a draft of a Fence Resolution for Coffey County that would be more up to date, for the Board's review.

43. The Board will sign warrants and vouchers on Tuesday, May 29, 2001 at 1:00 p.m.

44. Commissioner Merry and Commissioner Sipe will be in Great Bend on Thursday and Friday attending a seminar.

45. Rowley moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 p.m., seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Response Optional

1. Kansas Legislative Research Department – Letter regarding town hall meetings
2. City of New Strawn – Letter regarding Neosho River Bridge

Response Not Required

3. Whitney Damron – Legislative Report/End of Veto Session; Newspaper article; League of Kansas Municipalities Newsletter
4. Army Corps of Engineers – Monthly Public Notice
5. Midwest Assistance Program – Newsletter (April-May-June 2001)

6. Burlington After Prom Committee – Thank you
7. City of Waverly Minutes – April 2, 2001
8. KTECnology – Newsletter (May-June 2001)

Minutes, May 14, 2001

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk