

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 1, 2004, to individually review correspondence. Chairman Gene Merry called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with members Tim Sipe, Fred Rowley, Jr. and Larry Crotts present. Also present were County Clerk Vernon Birk and Administrative Coordinator Mary Bloomer. Present for part of the meeting were Mark Petterson, Coffey County Republican Editor, Jeannene Ryan, WCNO Representative, and Travis Lang, Burlington.

2. Rowley moved to approve the minutes of May 24, 2004 as corrected, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried, 3-yes, 0-no, 1-abstained, Crotts. Corrections were: Monday, May 24, 2004, paragraph 2, add "Crotts" after 'Rowley'. Paragraph 3, item c, change 'Ihd' to "IIId". Paragraph 4, add "among the" before 'presenters'; change '1:00' to "1:30"; add after 'Center', "Training for the event will be held May 27, 2004 at 6:30 p.m." Paragraph 9 a, add at end of paragraph, "and a recommendation from the Engineer." Paragraph 15, add after 'Board', "of Commissioners"; add after 'meetings', "after the first of the year to bring them up to speed." Paragraph 29, delete "new" in first sentence; add at end of first sentence, "who will be working with Coffey County's account." Delete 'a' in second sentence, replace with "the most recent"; delete 'Workman's Compensation', replace with "Coffey County"; Third sentence, delete 'Workman's', replace with "Workers". Paragraph 31 a, add "Motion carried" at end of paragraph.

3. Sipe moved to approve the minutes of May 28, 2004 as corrected, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried. Corrections were: Tuesday, May 28, 2004, paragraph 7, add after '12:08 p.m.', "until Tuesday, June 1, 2004, due to Memorial Day holiday."

**4. Consent Agenda:**

A. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for Joe Augustyn, S.T. Temp Laborer Asphalt Crew, at a classification of M-I-a(-), and an hourly wage of \$7.51, effective May 25, 2004.

B. Move to authorize the Chairman to sign 1 abatement to the Treasurer's tax roll in the amount of \$114.84.

**4 a.** Crotts moved to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.

5. Rowley moved, upon the recommendation of Gene Moyer, Professional Safety Resources, to appoint Jeff Beyer, Landfill Supervisor, as the Coffey County Risk Management Coordinator, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.

6. The Board will sign warrants and vouchers at 1:00 p.m. June 28, 2004.

7. Elysa Lovelady, Coffey County Appraiser, was requested to meet with the Board to explain some appraisal procedures, and to discuss better and more open discussion with the taxpayers involved in the process.

8. Hub Caspar, Coffey County Engineer, presented and discussed the weekly report dated June 1, 2004. Robert Reed, Road Supervisor, and John Zuern, Administrative Assistant, were also present.
9. Item No. 93-01; Road Permits Report: Four Road Permits were issued during the past week.
10. Item No. 99-99; Zoning Permit/Applications Report: No Zoning Permits were issued during the past week.
11. Item No. 99-13; Landfill: **Caspar reported Jeff Beyer, Landfill Operator, will have the additional information requested by the Board for the acceptance of dead animals at the landfill by next week.**
12. **Caspar reported the westbound lane is done on the micro-surfacing project on 16<sup>th</sup> Road from Quail Lane east to the Anderson County line.**
13. The Board directed the County Engineer to advertise for bids for paint for road projects.
14. Caspar and the Board discussed several other landfill and Road and Bridge matters.
15. Harley Schlotterbeck, of Hutinett, Schlotterbeck & Burns, met with the Board to discuss the audit engagement letter for the year ended 2003.
- 15 a. Sipe moved to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the audit engagement letter with Hutinett, Schlotterbeck & Burns for the audit of financial statements for Coffey County for the year ending December 31, 2003, seconded by Crofts. Motion carried.
16. Jon Hotaling, Economic Development Director, presented and discussed the weekly report for the week of May 24, 2004.
17. Item No. 95-9; Hotaling completed and mailed out agendas for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting to be held on Wednesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 12 noon at the hospital.
18. Item No. 95-21; Hotaling met with Becky Jewett, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, to review plans for the June 8<sup>th</sup> media day at the Eisenhower Ed Center. Randy Rogers will discuss security and Hotaling will present information on the basics of the e-plan and how the County collaborates with state, federal, and WCNOC representative to protect the health and safety of Coffey County residents.
19. Item No. 95-25; The Governor's Fishing Classic committee met to review the schedule for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Tents will be erected on Wednesday. Tables and chairs will be set up at the Country Club. T-box sponsor signs will be set up Thursday a.m. after the guide's breakfast at the hospital. Wednesday, at 5:00 p.m., will be the committee's final meeting before the event and all loose ends will be tied up. Hotaling ordered worms for the kid's fishing tournament and fresh fruit for the adult tournament participants. Hotaling will pick up plaques for the golf and fishing tournaments on Tuesday or Wednesday.

- 20.** Item No. 98-6; Hotaling attended the SEKRPC Certified Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) committee in Chanute. The committee reviewed 2002 strategies and revised, deleted and added strategies for the 2004 plan. Hotaling updated all Coffey County information for the new plan. The committee will meet again in a few weeks to review the draft copy of the plan and edit for the final draft. The final plan will be mailed to the County Commissioners in SEKRPC member counties for final approval.
- 22.** Hotaling mailed a thank you letter to the Kansas Department of Commerce Trade Development Division for hosting the Japanese Group Study Exchange Team from Rotary District 2780 in Japan.
- 23.** Hotaling attended the reception for Coffey County Extension Agent Cade Resnick.
- 24.** Randy Rogers, Coffey County Sheriff, met with the Board to discuss “County-wide Law Enforcement”. Rogers said he is willing to look at it but there will be an enormous amount of preliminary work and communication before any implementation can take place. Rogers said he is on record as saying he is against County-wide Law Enforcement under current structure (meaning to not have an elected Sheriff). Chairman Merry recommended that an Ad Hoc Committee be established to study the issue. Merry also suggested that each Commissioner contact their respective Mayors of cities and communicate with them also.
- 25.** Doug Witteman, County Attorney, arrived at the meeting at 11:40 a.m.
- 26.** The Board discussed the Coffey County Hospital budget request and concluded that the additional 1.25 mill capital outlay request was extraordinary and that further information related to specific capital improvement expenditures would be required for further consideration. The balance of the budget was not questioned.
- 26 a.** Crotts moved to not approve the Coffey County Hospital budget request as submitted and to authorize and direct the Chairman to send written correspondence to the Coffey County Hospital Board advising of non-approval of the 2005 budget request as proposed and invite the submittal of more information related to proposed capital improvements, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.
- 27.** Becky Jewett, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, presented and discussed the monthly report for May, 2004. Questioned about whether or not an all clear siren is blown, Jewett said there is no all clear siren.
- 28.** Sipe moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 a.m., seconded by Merry. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:**

Response Not Required

1. Hawver’s Capitol Report – Misc. dates

2. City of Burlington – Minutes of 5-5-04
3. WCNOC – Annual Report
4. KDOCH – Monitoring Report
5. Coffey County Library – Calendar of Events

Response Required

6. KDHE – Letter regarding Permit No. 0297

Response Optional

7. Southeast Kansas, Inc. – Letter regarding a Planning and Zoning Director
8. Gridley Senior Citizens – Invitation

Minutes, June 1, 2004

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk