

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, July 18, 2005, to allow commissioners to individually review correspondence. Chairman Fred Rowley, Jr. called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with members R. Kraig Kirchner, Tim Sipe, and Larry Crotts present. Gene Merry was attending the NACo Conference in Hawaii. Also present were Angie Kirchner, Coffey County Clerk, Doug Witteman, Coffey County Attorney, and Donna Berland, Administrative Assistant.

2. Crotts moved to approve the minutes of Monday, July 11, 2005, as written, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.

3. Consent Agenda

A. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for Ken Roney, Drug and Alcohol Contact, Sheriff's Office, CSA rate, \$141.90 for the quarter ending 6/30/05.

B. Move to authorize the Chairman to sign 4 abatements to the Treasurer's tax roll in the amount of \$1,183.74.

3a. Kirchner moved to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, seconded by Crotts.

3b. The Board recommended connecting to Coffey County Rural Water District No. 2 if feasible.

4. Donald Meats met with the Board to discuss rural LeRoy residents being annexed into a water district. Meats informed the Board that the residents are in the process of negotiating with two water districts to be annexed into one of the two water districts. The residents are working on receiving additional funding through grants. Meats also discussed the qualifications for grant funding. The project's estimated costs total \$250,000. Meats requested a letter of commitment from the Board in support of the rural LeRoy residents being annexed into a rural water district and in support of any additional funding for water lines and meters.

4a. Crotts moved to draft a letter of commitment to the USDA in support of annexing rural LeRoy residents into a water district and funding the installation of additional water lines and meters. The County's portion of the commitment would be \$100,000.00 split over the course of two years, seconded by Kirchner. Motion carried.

5. Hub Caspar, County Engineer, presented and discussed the weekly report dated July 18, 2005. Robert Reed, Road Supervisor, and John Zuern, Administrative Assistant, were also present.

6. Item No. 93-01; Road Permits Report: One Road Permit was issued during the past week.

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

- 8.** Item No. 99-13; Landfill: Request authorization to solicit sealed bids for a new landfill Compactor.
- 9.** Rowley moved to approve the County Engineer's request to solicit sealed bids for one (1) Compactor for the Landfill with trade-in of the existing Caterpillar 816B compactor, SN 15200267, with \$250,000 to be paid from Capital Expenditures (Landfill Equipment) and the balance from the Solid Waste Fund, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.
- 10.** Caspar also presented the Construction Zone Report for the week ending July 18, 2005.
- 11.** The Board reviewed a draft Proclamation for the Kansas Air National Guard honoring the 150th Anniversary of the Kansas National Guard.
- 12.** Jon Hotaling, Economic Development Director, submitted the weekly report for the week of July 18, 2005.
- 13.** Item No. 95-24; Hotaling attended the Kansas Brownfields Workshop in Leavenworth sponsored by the Kansas Department of Health & Environment and Terracon Consultants, Inc. Brownfields are real property, the re-development or re-use of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant or contaminate. Brownfields re-development can benefit both private investors and communities. The course provided contact info at KDHE and at the EPA. These agencies have funding available to provide assistance. Federal and or state financial cleanup grants, low interest loans, or tax incentives are available. Hotaling received an informational CD that lists many resources and funding information.
- 14.** Item No. 95-25; Hotaling composed and faxed several fair ads to be run on the local radio station and in Emporia to 96.1, 'The Wave'. Hotaling has received requests for information on the Junior Brown concert.
- 15.** Item No. 96-3; Hotaling reported that Mid-American Machine's CDBG grant is nearing completion. Mid America Machine will be submitting a request to the State for funding next week.
- 16.** Item No. 01-4; Hotaling mailed a sample easement to the City of Gridley for a mural to be constructed in Gridley. The easement makes it possible for the City or County to touch up or work on the mural.
- 17.** Item No. 01-5; Hotaling participated in the Kansas Leadership Forum conference call. Hotaling discussed the agenda for the annual conference to be held in Topeka on September 20th & 21st. Hotaling is sending renewal letters out in August along with the conference registration forms. Hotaling discussed KLF leadership awards and potential officers to be nominated for election at the conference.
- 18.** Item No. 01-2; Hotaling attended the Alliance for Technology Commercialization, Inc. (ATC) fourth quarter Board of Directors meeting at the Business Technical Institute at Pittsburg State University. Hotaling reviewed the 2005 financials and the president reported on activities

for 2005. ATC was established to help develop, transfer and commercialize new technologies with the objective to create high value jobs and increase prosperity in the Southeast Kansas region.

19. Hotaling interviewed the 4-H ambassador candidates with Diana Nichols. All candidates were very articulate and passionate about their involvement in 4-H. Hotaling reviewed the interview questionnaires and wrote up a summary of our review of the candidates with our recommendations for the two students to serve as ambassadors.

20. Hotaling sent information to a retail business considering locating in Coffey County.

21. Coffey County Housing Authority Director Steve Lightle met with the Board to request funding for demolishing dilapidated structures throughout the County in addition to the demolition of dilapidated structures in the incorporated cities. The Board directed Lightle to use the funds already appropriated to the Housing Authority for any additional projects.

22. Rowley adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Response Not Required

1. Focal Point Newsletter
2. United States Bankruptcy Court
3. Hawver's Capitol Report
4. Kansas Department of Commerce
5. Plains Guardian
6. Whitney B. Damron, P.A.-Legislative Update
7. City of Waverly - Accounting of 2004 Infrastructure Funds
8. Hawver News Company, LLC
9. The Kiplinger Letter-July 1, July 8
10. The Kiplinger Tax Letter
11. Kiplinger's Personal Finance Adviser

Minutes, July 18, 2005

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk