

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, August 1, 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, Larry Crotts and Gene Merry present. 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 Tuesday, July 25, 2005, as written, seconded by Merry. Motion carried.
3. Kirchner moved to approve the minutes of Tuesday, July 27, 2005, as corrected, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried. Paragraph 3., delete ‘Rowley’ replace with “Crotts”.
4. **Consent Agenda**
 - A. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for CSA compensation for the month of August 2005, for John Zuern as Zoning Administrator.
5. Sipe moved to approve the consent agenda as submitted, seconded by Merry. Motion carried.
6. Coffey County Appraiser Connie Lawrence met with the Board to discuss offering the Field Appraiser I position to a qualified applicant.
7. Coffey County Emergency Preparedness Director Becky Jewett met with the Board to present the monthly report for July 2005. Jewett discussed future meeting dates and activities planned for August 2005. Jewett informed the Board that Wolf Creek will be offering on site tours on September 14th, 2005 and September 21st, 2005.
8. Robert Reed, Road Supervisor, presented and discussed the weekly report dated August 1, 2005. John Zuern, Administrative Assistant, was also present.
9. Item No. 93-01; Road Permits Report: One Road Permit was 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: Lysimeter monitoring record for July 27, 2005.
12. Reed also presented the Construction Zone Report for the week ending August 1, 2005.
13. Gayle Powell, Therapy Services, met with the Board to discuss establishing a treatment center in Burlington for drug and alcohol services and to request funding. The Board directed Powell to meet with the Drug, Alcohol & Tobacco Sub-Committee for their approval.

- 14.** The Board addressed a potential public misconception related to the Neosho River log jam being the County's responsibility. The Neosho River log jam is the responsibility of the Corps of Engineer and the water quality and assurance in the County is the responsibility of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the Kansas Water Authority. The Board's position related to the Neosho River log jam was to act as a facilitator to bring all the interested and responsible parties together, those being the Corps of Engineer, the senators, the legislatures and area residents, to discuss issues and potential solutions related to the Neosho River log jam. The Board stated that the County has no jurisdiction to dictate any resolution to the federal governing body that owns the land where the log jam is located. The Board directed the County Attorney to draft a press release stating the Board's position with the Neosho River log jam and that the log jam is a problem under the control of the federal government. Only the federal government has the authority and resources to alleviate or mitigate the situation.
- 15.** A budget hearing is scheduled for Monday, August 15th, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.
- 16.** Sipe moved to adopt Resolution No. 650-F, A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROPERTY TAXATION POLICY OF THE BOARD OF COFFEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WITH RESPECT TO FINANCING THE 2006 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR COFFEY COUNTY, KANSAS, seconded by Kirchner. Motion carried.
- 17.** Jon Hotaling, Economic Development Director, submitted the weekly report for the week of August 1, 2005.
- 18.** Item No. 95-9; Hotaling completed and mailed out agendas for the Coffey County Strategic Planning Committee meeting to be held at the Coffey County Hospital at 12 noon on Wednesday, August 3rd.
- 19.** Item No. 95-21; Hotaling attended the E-plan drill at the Joint Information Clearinghouse (JIC) in Topeka and served as the Coffey County PIO. Hotaling participated in two news conferences and the JIC critique. The flow of information out was good with many news statements issued. The flow of information in was a little slower due to some of the agencies not participating in this drill.
- 20.** Item No. 95-25; Hotaling attended the Kansas National Guard "Whistlestop" tour at the Burlington National Guard Amory. The Kansas National Guard was celebrating its 150th anniversary and Hotaling took the tour. The tour consisted of historical equipment, photographs and military helmets & uniforms. The Kansas National Guard celebration is visiting each Kansas community where a National Guard unit is actively serving.
- 21.** Item No. 96-3; Hotaling delivered the first check for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to Mid-American Machine, LLC in LeRoy. The grant funds from the Kansas Department of Commerce provides nearly \$380,000 to Mid-American Machine, LLC to purchase a building and land in LeRoy, to purchase additional machinery & equipment and to move equipment into the LeRoy site. This will allow the company to consolidate operations in LeRoy and to add to their employment level.

22. Item No. 05-3; Hotaling attended the Southeast Kansas Prosperity Foundation work session in Parsons. The Board reviewed brochures from other regional prosperity foundations and Jim Dahman and Carolyn Kennett will be preparing a draft brochure for the next meeting. Funding will go to several programs including the SEK leadership program, the Revolving Loan Fund, Small Business Facilitation, and the Home Again Program.
23. Hotaling mailed information on enterprise zone incentives, demographics, retail sales, SBA loans, etc. to a retail business considering a Coffey County location.
24. A budget work session was held at 1:00 p.m. with the Board and Coffey County Auditor Harley Schlotterbeck of Hutinet, Schlotterbeck, and Burns to review the preliminary 2006 budget and approve the final draft.
25. Merry moved to approve the 2006 Coffey County budget for publication, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.
26. Sipe moved to adopt Resolution No. 750, A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROPERTY TAXATION POLICY OF THE BOARD OF COFFEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WITH RESPECT TO FINANCING THE 2006 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR COFFEY COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT No. 1, COFFEY COUNTY, KANSAS, seconded by Kirchner. Motion carried.
27. The Board recessed for lunch at 1:05 p.m.
28. The Board reconvened at 3:40 p.m.
29. Merry moved to approve the 2006 Coffey County budget for publication as revised. This motion amends the motion made earlier in the meeting to reflect final revisions to the proposed budget, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.
30. Rowley adjourned the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:
Response Not Required

1. Kansas Emergency Management Newsletter
2. The Kiplinger Letter - July 22, 2005
3. Burlington City Council Regular Session - July 6, 2005
4. Coffey County Housing Authority Minutes - June 2, 2005

Minutes, August 1, 2005

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk