

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, August 15, 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. Sipe moved to approve the minutes of Monday, August 8, 2005, as submitted, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.

3. Consent Agenda

A. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for Lyle Sherwood, Jailer, Sheriff's Office, Classification LE-II-a, Hourly Rate \$10.05, effective 8/8/05.

B. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for Samantha Newkirk, Jailer, Sheriff's Office, Classification LE-II-a, Hourly Rate \$10.05, effective 8/5/05.

C. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for Lori Bitts, Appraiser's Office, Classification TP-II-b, Hourly Rate \$12.38, effective 8/22/05.

3a. Kirchner moved to approve the consent agenda as submitted, seconded by Merry. Motion carried.

4. Coffey County Fire District #1 Fire Administrator Bill Walker met with the Board to discuss a draft fire resolution that states the ramifications of improper burning within the County. Cade Rensink, Extension Office, was in support of the resolution. Walker will be setting up different times for public hearings before the resolution is finalized and the Board reviews it.

5. Hub Caspar, County Engineer, presented and discussed the weekly report dated August 15, 2005. Robert Reed, Road Supervisor, and John Zuern, Administrative Assistant, were also present.

6. Item No. 93-01; Road Permits Report: No Road Permits were 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: Review compactor bids and make award. Bid tab attached. Review Solid Waste Fund to December 31, 2005.

8a. Item No. 99-13 a; Merry moved, upon the recommendation of the County Engineer and approval of the County Attorney, to find that (1) 1984 Cat 816B Landfill Compactor is no longer required and cannot prudently be used for public purposes of the County and should be disposed

of by trade-in sale to Berry Tractor and Equipment for \$25,000.00. Notice of trade-in disposal was published in the official County newspaper on July 22 and July 29, 2005, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.

8b. Item No. 99-13 b; Merry move to approve the County Engineer’s recommendation and purchase one (1) Bomag Model 672RB Landfill Compactor from Berry Tractor and Equipment for the bid price of \$334,235.00, which includes a \$25,000 trade in allowance for one 1984 Cat 816B Landfill Compactor to be paid as follows:

Capital Expenditures – Landfill Equipment	\$250,000.00
Sanitation – Landfill Capital Outlay	\$ 50,000.00
Solid Waste Fund	<u>\$ 34,235.00</u>
	\$334,235.00

Seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.

9. Caspar also presented the Construction Zone Report for the week ending August 15, 2005.

10. The Board presented Certificates of Congratulations to The Neosho Valley Babe Ruth 10 and under State Champions and Regional Runners-up. The teammates who received the certificates were Michaela Olberding, Madison Stewart, Taylor Shell, Sarah Pearson, Katee Damashek, Kalley Strawder, Ryann Camp, Katelyn Rogers, Kendra Masters, Victoria Feidler, Courtney Blaufuss, Sierra Leonard, and Haley Gilman.

11. Jon Hotaling, Economic Development Director, submitted the weekly report for the week of August 15, 2005.

12. Item No. 95-21; Hotaling reviewed information and talking points for Wolf Creek Generating Station Media Day at the Emporia Reception Center on Friday, August 12th. Hotaling attended the event from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the reception center on the campus of Emporia State University.

13. Item No. 96-3; Hotaling reviewed request for payment of CDBG funds #2 for the CDBG loan to Mid-American Machine, LLC. Hotaling obtained necessary signatures for the request form and delivered them to Terry Marlin, Kansas Department of Commerce CDBG Program Administrator.

14. Item No. 98-7; Hotaling discussed the tourism impact of WCNOG and potential advantages of having a WCNOG visitor’s information facility outside of the restricted area at WCNOG with the Museum Director, Deborah Kennamore and WCNOG Vice President, Matthew Sunseri. Hotaling did some preliminary brainstorming on how a visitors center could be manned, funded, benefits to WCNOG, benefits to the county, grants, etc. Hotaling discussed how regional (SEKTR) and State of Kansas tourism organizations could assist in planning, funding, marketing, etc.

15. Item No. 01-5; Hotaling participated in the Kansas Leadership Forum Board of Directors conference call. Hotaling finalized the plans for the annual conference to be held in Topeka,

September 20th – 21st. Hotaling submitted the candidate that he was able to get to serve as president-elect for next year. Hotaling still needs a candidate to serve as treasurer for a two-year term.

16. Item No. 03-2; Hotaling sent a sympathy card and personal donation to Jim Kelly and the Hunter's Hope Foundation. Hotaling invited Jim to come back to Coffey County in the future for his celebrity turkey hunt and fundraiser for the Hunter's Hope Foundation.

17. Item No. 04-4; Hotaling reviewed and drafted application forms for property tax exemption for the cities of Lebo, LeRoy, and Burlington. Hotaling completed the cost benefit analysis forms to be included in the applications. Hotaling will send copies to each community for the final review next week.

18. Coffey County Housing Authority Director Steve Lightle updated the Board on a grant that Coffey County Housing Authority will receive through Rural Home in the amount of \$40,000.00.

19. Merry moved to waive the landfill fees on property owned by the Housing Authority at 417 N. 4th, Burlington, Kansas, a demolition project, with all coordination to be handled with Landfill Supervisor Jeff Beyer, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.

20. Paula German, Jim Stuke, and Susan Croll met with the Board to promote a Performing Arts Center at the Downtown Historical Music Box and requested that the County purchase the building. The Board inquired about the amount of community involvement and interest and if there is any corporate and/or individual interest to donate to the project. The Board was concerned about using tax dollars to purchase the building and suggested contacting the Holtz Foundation, the Jones Foundation, the City of Burlington, and any other entities that may provide funding. The Board requested German, Stuke, and Croll to return with budget projections over a year period.

21. Mary Lou Ponder, Coffey County Conservation District, met with the Board to request the Board's signature on the grant application for the Buffer Program to send in with her grant application for the Clean Water Act. The Board will also write a letter of support.

22. The Board will sign warrants and vouchers on Monday, August 29, 2005, at 1:00 p.m.

23. The Board recessed at 11:42 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. for the 2006 budget hearing and to discuss any other County business that may arise.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Response Not Required

1. Carl Lee Family - Thank you

2. Whitney B. Damron, P.A. - News Articles of Interest
3. Kansas Department of Transportation - Statewide Five-Year Construction Program
4. Kiplinger's Personal Finance Adviser - August 2005
5. The Kiplinger Letter - August 5, 2005
6. City of Gridley Council Meeting - August 1, 2005
7. Work & Life

Minutes, August 15, 2005

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk