

1. The Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m., Monday, August 15, 2011. Chairman Bob Saueressig called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with members Kenneth Combes, Larry Crotts, Fred Rowley, and Kimberly Skillman-Robrahn present. County Clerk Angie Kirchner, County Attorney Doug Witteman and Administrative Assistant Donna Berland were also present.
2. Rowley moved to approve the minutes of Monday, August 8, 2011, as written, seconded by Robrahn. Motion carried.
3. Lyon County Commission Chairman Scott Briggs and Emergency Manager Rick Frevert presented a formal thank you to Coffey County. Briggs added that Lyon County appreciated the support from Coffey County Emergency Management Coordinator Russel Stuke and Carl Lee and the Road & Bridge Department during the F-3 tornado that caused damage to Reading, Kansas. Frevert added that FEMA may reimburse Lyon County for costs involved with the clean-up efforts.
4. **Consent Agenda**
 - A. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for Tonya Gutsch, New Hire, subject to New Hire IPP, Sheriff's office, Dispatcher, classification TP-II-a, wage \$13.68, effective 8/12/11.
- 4a. Crotts moved to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, seconded by Combes. Motion carried.
5. Robrahn moved to appoint Connie Lawrence as Voting Delegate, Bill Bauer as First Alternate, and Dave Freeman as Second Alternate at the KAC Annual Conference in November 2011, seconded by Combes. Motion carried.
6. Administrative Assistant Tim Austin presented the weekly report for the week of August 15, 2011.
7. Item No. 93-01; Road Permit Report: No Road Permits were issued during the past week.
8. Item No. 99-13; Zoning Permit/Applications Report: No Zoning Permits were issued during the past week.
9. Austin presented the Construction Zone report for the week of August 15, 2011.
10. Sheriff Randy Rogers met with the Board to request renewal of the maintenance contract with Motorola.
- 10a. Robrahn moved, upon the recommendation of the Sheriff and Communications Supervisor and approval of the County Attorney as to form, to waive the purchasing policy as to competitive bidding for good cause, said cause being that the vendor is a single source vendor

and current maintenance provider and to approve the Communication Equipment Services Agreement with Motorola Solutions in the amount of \$16,801.57 and to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the same. Funds to come from the General Fund-Sheriff Contractual Line Item, seconded by Combes. Motion carried.

11. Sheriff Randy Rogers requested an Executive Session for 5 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel.

11a. Combes moved to enter into Executive Session for 5 minutes at 9:19 a.m., to include each of the Commissioners, Sheriff Randy Rogers and the County Attorney, to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel, seconded by Robrahn. Motion carried.

12. The Board resumed regular session at 9:24 a.m.

13. Rowley discussed communication from a Jacob's Creek resident regarding trash at a location in Jacob's Creek. The County Attorney discussed a nuisance statute and the incorporation of the community. The County Attorney will respond to this issue as there is not a code specific to the issue. The County Sanitation office is investigating.

14. Economic Development Director Jon Hotaling met with the Board to present the bi-weekly report for August 1, 2011 through August 12, 2011.

15. Item 95-9: Hotaling met with a member of the Strategic Planning committee to discuss inviting a representative from USD 244 to the September 7 meeting to discuss developing better communications with convenience stores and restaurants. These businesses can gain additional customers by serving parents, students, etc. that attend school events that sometimes end after 9:30 or 10 p.m. The businesses often are not aware of the fact that several hundred potential customers will be coming out of an event late in the evening and would like to grab something to eat before driving home.

16. Item 98-6: Hotaling attended Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission (SEKRPC) Executive Committee meeting on Thursday, August 4. The committee reviewed salaries and approved increases not to exceed 2.98%. The commission also discussed health insurance costs and approved paying an additional 10% on family plans. A review of the SEKRPC loan fund showed only one account past due. Reports to the United States Economic Development Administration (EDA) are now all up to date and SEKRPC may now be eligible for additional loan funds.

17. Item 07-2: Hotaling attended the Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area (FFNHA) Partners meeting in Fort Scott on August 11. A demonstration on how to upload information and post events on the new FFNHA website was provided. Volunteers and staff training programs for the Mahoffie Stagecoach Stop and the Westport Historical Society were also presented. Hotaling presented a signage plan for the Opothleyahola Memorial Building to FFNHA Director. LeRoy City Council approved signage plan submitted by Jim Stukey at their regular meeting on August 1. Mayor Bill Freeman stopped by Hotaling's office and thanked Economic Development for providing the signage needed to get the Opothleyahola Memorial Building on

the FFNHA map and brochure. Mayor Freeman wanted to request assistance with demolishing a burned out house in the center of LeRoy and free landfill use for the project. Hotaling referred him to the Coffey County Housing Authority and to the County Commission.

18. Hotaling finalized appointments to visit owners/managers at Kan-Seal, Charloma and Countertop Trends LLC on August 10 and 17. Hotaling will accompany Craig VanWey, Kansas Department of Commerce Southeast Kansas Representative, on these appointments. VanWey will update these business owners/managers on changes in business incentives available from the State of Kansas.

19. Hotaling met with a Coffey County citizen interested in starting a business in Lebo. Hotaling also met with the Kansas Small Business Development Center Representative, Tom Byler.

20. Hotaling met with Leonard Jirak to discuss Gridley Lake renovation project. Hotaling explained Coffey County needed official notification from the City of Gridley requesting grant funds and also cost estimates on the project before grant funding could be considered. Jirak provided an official letter from Mayor Lawrence Kelley and the Gridley City Clerk told Hotaling the City Council was in favor of the Mayor sending the letter and it would be in the minutes that they authorized and directed him to send the letter.

21. Hotaling completed the loan report for period July 1 through 31, 2011.

22. Rowley moved to enter into a budget hearing at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of hearing and answering any objections of taxpayers, relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of 2011 ad valorem tax, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.

22a. The hearing was then opened for comments or objections from the public. Fire Chief/Administrator Randall Brown, Economic Development Director Jon Hotaling, Library Administrator Jenifer Trimble, Emergency Management Coordinator Russel Stuke, Administrative Assistant Tim Austin, Republican Editor Mark Petterson, WCNOG Representatives Tim East and Bob Hammond, Bud and Karen Redding and JoAnn Raaf were also present. Citizen concerns were a newly hired secretary in the R&B Department, the frequency of grading roads and meals in the Sheriff's department.

22b. Robrahn moved to close the public hearing at 10:20 a.m., seconded by Combes. Motion carried.

22c. Rowley moved to approve the year 2012 Coffey County budget as published, seconded by Combes. Motion carried.

23. WCNOG Representatives Tim East and Bob Hammond met with the Board to present the annual lake update. Hammond discussed safe tritium levels in Coffey County Lake. Hammond also discussed implementing a detection of leaks in buried piping beginning in 2013. East stated that WCNOG would be making the same annual report to the state later in the fall.

24. Housing Authority Director Steve Lightle met with the Board to request waiving landfill fees for a home in LeRoy that burned. Lightle also requested to waive additional landfill fees for a shed in Gridley and a garage roof in Burlington.

24a. Crotts moved to waive landfill fees for 537 S C Street in LeRoy, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.

24b. Robrahn moved to waive landfill fees for 811 Niagara in Burlington and 414 Fessenden Gridley, seconded by Saueressig. Motion carried.

25. The Board will sign warrants and vouchers for the month of August 2011 on Monday, August 29, 2011.

26. Saueressig adjourned the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

Correspondence

1. The Kiplinger Letter – August 5, 2011
2. Kiplinger’s Personal Finance Adviser – August 2011
3. The Kiplinger Tax Letter – August 5, 2011
4. Hawver’s Capitol Flash – August 9, 10, 12, 13, 2011
5. Neil Hartwig – Thank you note – August 5, 2011
6. KAC – County Comment – August 2011
7. Coffey County Library – August Calendar of Events – August 8, 2011
8. KAC Legislative Updates – Federal Transportation Program – August 10, 2011
9. KAC Legislative Updates – Interim Legislative Committees – August 12, 2011
10. Coffey County Housing Authority – Board Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2011
Minutes, August 15, 2011

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk