

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, August 29, 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 Crofts and Gene Merry present. Also present were Angie Kirchner, Coffey County Clerk, Doug Witteman, Coffey County Attorney, and Donna Berland, Administrative Assistant.
2. Merry moved to approve the minutes of Monday, August 22, 2005, as corrected, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried. Paragraph 4., delete 'AS400', replace with "Coffey County Network". Paragraph 12., delete 'discuss', replace with "review", delete 'with her staff'. After 'vehicle' add "type", delete 'suggestions', replace with "request." Under Correspondence, after 'Loren E. Johnson', add "- letter".
3. Sipe moved, to find that the various items of property contained on a listing dated August 29, 2005, are no longer required and cannot prudently be used for public purposes of Coffey County, and as such, the same will be disposed of by public auction. Said auction will occur on September 17, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. at the Coffey County Shop, 1510 S. 6<sup>th</sup>, Burlington, Kansas. The County Clerk is authorized and directed to publish the Notice of Intent to Dispose of Property in the official County newspaper, seconded by Merry. Motion carried.
4. Rowley moved to accept and deposit the refund check from Security Benefit in the amount of \$1,137.52 to be deposited in the General Fund, seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.
5. Paula German and Jim Stukey met with the Board to request that the County fund the purchase of the Music Box Theater to allow the Arts Council to establish a Coffey County Performing Arts Center. County Attorney Doug Witteman presented information from the statutes regarding a Cultural Arts Center. Karen Allen, Rock Creek Realty, was present to answer questions about the building. Current owner David Wooge was also in attendance. The Board inquired if the City of Burlington would be providing support. Stukey reported that the City of Burlington tabled the request at this time. The Board expressed support in having a Community Theatre available in the County and providing some assistance, but wanted to see support from the city and other entities. German and Stukey also presented drawings and dollar figures on the purchase and repair of the current Music Box Theater. The Board would like to see all costs involved for renovation before making a commitment to the project.
6. Hub Caspar, County Engineer, presented and discussed the weekly report dated August 29, 2005. Robert Reed, Road Supervisor, and John Zuern, Administrative Assistant, were also present.
7. Item No. 93-01; Road Permits Report: No Road Permits were issued during the past week.
8. Item No. 99-99; Zoning Permit/Applications Report: No Zoning Permits were issued during the past week.
9. Caspar also presented the Construction Zone Report for the week ending August 29, 2005.

- 10.** Information Systems Administrator Bill Bauer updated the Board that the County Auditor will not be given access to the County's network. The Auditor is working on a different program that will be used to retrieve financial data through e-mail.
- 11.** The Board received a phone call from Randall Allen, of Kansas Association of Counties, inquiring about the status of a sample contract that was sent to the Coffey County Sheriff's office regarding discount prices for prescriptions for inmates.
- 12.** Jon Hotaling, Economic Development Director, submitted the weekly report for the week of August 29, 2005.
- 13.** Item No. 95-9; Hotaling completed the agenda for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting to be held on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, at 12 noon, in the Coffey County Hospital conference room. The committee will discuss upcoming activities and review summer events.
- 14.** Item No. 96-3; Hotaling processed request for CDBG funds from the Kansas Department of Commerce for the Mid-American Machine project in LeRoy. The funds should be received from the Department of Commerce by August 31<sup>st</sup>.
- 15.** Item No. 98-7; Hotaling reserved the Coffey County Museum for the March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2006 Southeast Kansas Tourism Region (SEKTR) meeting. Becky Blakel, Director of the Kansas Travel and Tourism Division, has been invited to speak. The Director and SEKTR members will have the opportunity to tour the "K" is for Kansas" exhibit that will be at the Coffey County Museum at that time.
- 16.** Item No. 00-2; Hotaling attended the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center (CCLC) advisory council meeting at the Lebo Library. This summer program was very well attended at Burlington, Lebo and Waverly. Fall 2005 programs are ready to start. Hotaling reviewed the budget for July 1<sup>st</sup> through August 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- 17.** Item No. 01-4; Hotaling met with Michele Marks in Lebo to discuss the possibility of a mural on the west side of her building just east of Casey's. Hotaling gave her information on artists, maintenance easements, paints, design, etc. Hotaling received a signed and notarized easement for the mural project in Gridley. Hotaling filed the easement with the Register of Deeds office.
- 18.** Item No. 04-4; Hotaling met with the City Clerk of Burlington, Dan Allen, to discuss and review Charloma's application for tax exemption from the City of Burlington. Dan will complete the city's portion of the cost benefit analysis to be filed with the Kansas Department of Commerce. Hotaling also discussed possible funding for a Boy & Girl Scouts Center with Mayor Rick Raymer and Allen.
- 19.** Hotaling received information on call centers and telecommunications for a prospect scheduled to visit Coffey County on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

20. The Board discussed a Lebo citizen's request for funds from the County to assist in funding a preschool in Lebo. The Board was not in favor of providing funding for a private entity.

21. Rowley adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Response Not Required

1. Kansas Preservation July-August 2005
2. Hoover's - letter of support for a Community Performing Arts Center
3. City of Burlington - letter of support for a Community Performing Arts Center

Minutes, August 29, 2005

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk