

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, October 16, 2000, to individually review correspondence. Chairman Gene Merry called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with members Tim Sipe, Johnnie Sleezer, Bill Knapp, and Perry Powell present. County Clerk Vernon Birk and Administrative Coordinator Mary Bloomer were also present. Jenny Hageman, WCNOC Representative, was present for part of the meeting. County Attorney Doug Witteman was unable to attend due to another appointment.

2. Knapp moved to approve the minutes of October 9, 2000 as corrected. Seconded by Sipe. Motion carried. Corrections were; October 9, 2000, add paragraph 5, "The Board discussed obtaining manuals for training of all subordinate boards in Open Meetings / Open Records." Change original paragraph '5' to paragraph "5a".

3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

A. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for CSA Compensation for Robert Reed, Acting Department Head, for the month of October.

B. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for CSA Compensation for John Zuern, Zoning Administrator, for the month of October.

C. Upon the approval of the County Attorney, move to waive Section 2.4 of the Policy and Procedures Manual, and provide benefits to Sharon Sharon, while working in her capacity as a S.T. Temp. for the Health Department, **pursuant to paragraph 5 of the Board's minutes of September 18, 2000.**

3a. Sipe moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Seconded by Knapp. Motion carried 4 yes 1 no, Powell.

4. Chairman Merry announced Commissioner Sipe had been elected as Chairman of the Association of County Commissioners and Highway Officials of Southeast Kansas at their semi-annual meeting in Chanute this past week.

5. JoAnn Raaf, Coffey County Treasurer, updated the Board regarding payment of property taxes by internet through the Information Network of Kansas (INK)

5a. Following discussion, Sipe moved, upon the approval of the County Attorney as to form, to authorize and direct the Treasurer to sign a Service Agreement for the Online Property Tax Payment Applications, with Information Network of Kansas. Seconded by Knapp. Motion carried.

6. Elysa Lovelady, Coffey County Appraiser, met with the Board to discuss Kansas Constitutional Amendment Question Number 2, which is on the general election ballot

for Tuesday, November 7, 2000. The question is in regard to changing the tax classification of aircraft and watercraft.

**6a.** The Board asked Lovelady to provide a copy of the current assessed values of aircraft and watercraft in Coffey County, which she provided later this morning. The Board also asked the Administrative Coordinator to get additional information on this subject from Whitney Damron.

**7.** The Board received and reviewed five (5) applications from local citizens interested in serving on the Coffey County Housing Authority Board of Directors.

**7a.** Following discussion, Merry moved to appoint Robert Hyde (District 1) and Melissa Weiss (District 3) to four (4) year terms to the Coffey County Housing Authority Board, effective October 27, 2000 and ending October 26, 2004. Seconded by Powell. Motion carried.

**8.** John Zuern, Administrative Assistant, met with the Board to discuss the bids for the courthouse lighting system, which were opened on Friday. This item will be taken up with the County Engineer later today.

**9.** Randy Rogers, Coffey County Sheriff, submitted a letter of resignation of employment from Dolly A. O’Keefe, Dispatcher, Sheriff’s Department.

**9a.** Powell moved upon the recommendation of the Sheriff, to accept the resignation of employment from Dolly A. O’Keefe, effective October 27, 2000. Seconded by Merry. Motion carried. This resignation complies with the requirements of the Policy and Procedures Manual, which allows for payment of allowed accrued benefits.

**10.** Hub Caspar, Coffey County Engineer, presented the weekly report dated October 6, 2000. Robert Reed, Road Supervisor, and John Zuern, Administrative Assistant, were also present.

**11.** Item No. 93-01; Road Permit Report: No Road Permits were issued during the past week.

**12.** Item No. 99-99; Zoning Permit/Applications Report: One (1) Zoning Permit was issued during the past week.

**13.** Item No. 2000-15; Courthouse Lighting: Review bids and award contract.

Bids presented: Courthouse Lighting

<b>BIDDER</b>	<b>BASE BID</b>	<b>ALT. #1</b>	<b>START DATE</b>	<b>WORK DAYS</b>
Engineers Estimate	\$173,420.50	\$5,523.33		90
B & W Electrical Contractors	\$145,975.00	+\$4,095.00	1-15-2001	120

Decker Construction, Inc.	\$140,320.00	+\$2,782.00	15 days after notice to proceed	210
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**13a.** Based upon the recommendation of the County Engineer, Sleezer moved that the bid submitted by Decker Construction, Inc., for the Courthouse Lighting Retrofit, Project 2000-Court, be approved as being the best bid, that award be made to Decker Construction, Inc., according to the terms of the bid at a cost of \$143,102.00 with \$90,000.00 to come from Courthouse General, Capital Outlay, and the balance of \$53,102.00 from County General Capital Outlay line item, and authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Notice of Award. Seconded by Sipe. Motion carried 4 yes 1 no, Powell.

**14.** Caspar reported having received word from KDHE that the lateral expansion of the Coffey County Landfill, which must be completed before October 1, 2001, must have a qualified Quality Assurance Inspector other than a county employee. Caspar will be receiving more information on this item in the next few weeks, and advised the Board he feels the notice provides too little lead time and he intends to request an exception.

**15.** Sleezer moved to enter into a public hearing regarding the disposal of one (1) John Deere 762B Scraper. Seconded by Sipe. Motion carried.

**15a.** No interested persons were present to object or comment on the disposal.

**15b.** Sipe moved to close this public hearing regarding the disposal of one (1) John Deere 762B Scraper. Seconded by Knapp. Motion carried.

**15c.** Upon the recommendation of the County Engineer and approval of the County Attorney, Powell moved to dispose of one (1) John Deere 762B Scraper, Serial No. T0762BX813916, pursuant to the Buy-Back provisions to Murphy Tractor & Company, Topeka, KS, for \$115,000.00, less any applicable deductions. Seconded by Sleezer. Motion carried.

**16.** The Board reviewed the 2001 Road Construction Projects Plan. Tentative changes were made to three (3) areas: Farm access upgrade scheduled for 10<sup>th</sup> Road between Shetland and Wayside-delete East three (3) miles of project; Reaper Terrace,Road South from LeRoy added for study and possible action (undetermined); Oxen Road 1<sup>st</sup> Road to Hwy 75 (scheduled for farm access upgrade); delete South 1½ miles. An updated map will be presented at next Monday's (10-23-00) meeting. Commissioner Knapp asked that the updated map reflect a priority be assigned for each project within each category.

**17.** Caspar also presented the Board with cost information for gravel roads and hard surface roads for 1999.

18. Commissioner Merry advised the Board the first of the Open Meeting/Open Records training sessions was presented to the Library Board on Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>.

19. Commissioner Sipe will be attending the SEK County Officials meeting in Franklin County at Ottawa on Thursday.

20. Powell moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:13 p.m. Seconded by Knapp. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Response Required

1. Melissa Weiss-Letter regarding position on Housing Authority Board.
2. Angela Boyce-Letter regarding position on Housing Authority Board.
3. Robert Hyde-Letter regarding position on Housing Authority Board.

Response Optional

4. KDHE-Call for Nominations-2001 Awards for Partnerships Making a Difference.
5. NADBANK-Letter regarding Community Adjustment and Investment Program

Response Not Required

6. KDOT-State Transportation Improvement Program.
7. Kansas State Historical Society-Newsletter-Sept/Oct 2000.
8. Midwest Assistance Program-Newsletter, Vol. 21, No. 4.
9. KUTC-Newsletter-Spring 2000.
10. Mary Peters-Sprint-Letter regarding meeting in Burlington.

Minutes, October 16, 2000

Sign:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk