

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, November 10, 2003, to individually review correspondence. Chairman Gene Merry called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with members Tim Sipe, R. Kraig Kirchner, Fred Rowley, Jr. and Larry Crotts present. Also present were Vernon Birk, Coffey County Clerk, Doug Witteman, Coffey County Attorney and Mary Bloomer, Administrative Coordinator. Present for part of the meeting was Mark Petterson, Coffey County Republican Editor.

2. Sipe moved to approve the minutes of Monday, November 3, 2003, as corrected, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried. Corrections were: November 3, 2003, paragraph 5, add "Authority" after 'Housing', delete 'an upcoming', replace with "a pending", delete 'County', replace with "Housing Authority" in second line, delete "along with the County Attorney". Paragraph 6 a., add "County's" before 'files'. Paragraph 12 a., delete 'Merry', replace with "Sipe".

3. Merry moved to reappoint the following persons to a three-year term on the Coffey County Council on Aging Board, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried. Their term will expire January 1, 2007. The persons to be appointed are:

Floyd Eggleston	LeRoy
Jeanne Dody	LeRoy
Susan Mueller	Burlington

4. Rowley moved to distribute the Christmas gift certificates in the amount of \$20.00 to proposed recipients, seconded by Kirchner. Motion carried.

5. Crotts moved to recess into Executive Session at 9:20 a.m. for 5 minutes, to include each of the Commissioners and the County Attorney, to discuss matters which would be deemed privileged in the attorney/client relationship, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.

6. The Board resumed regular session at 9:25 a.m.

7. Merry moved to recess into Executive Session at 9:28 a.m. for 5 minutes to include each of the Commissioners, the County Attorney, and the County Clerk to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.

8. The Board resumed regular session at 9:33 a.m.

9. Warren Bell, Coffey County Agricultural Extension Agent, stopped in to thank the Board for all their help and cooperation over the past 29 years that he has been associated with Coffey County. Bell's last day will be Friday, November 14th, 2003. He will then become Water Quality Specialist for the lower Neosho River Basin. The Bell's will continue to make Coffey County their home.

10. Jon Hotaling, Economic Development, presented and discussed the weekly report for the week of November 3, 2003. Hotaling also distributed a Leadership Coffey County brochure for

the Board's information. This session will be for high school juniors and seniors. Deadline for applications is December 19, 2003 and classes will start in January.

11. Item No. 95-9; Hotaling attended the Strategic Planning Committee meeting at the hospital on Wednesday, November 5th. Hotaling discussed information from the Wind Power and Bio Mass Energy Conference. Hotaling updated the committee on SEK, Inc. legislative reception, SEK, Inc. position statements, and Leadership Coffey County Youth Program class schedule for 2004. Hotaling discussed an attempt by Junction City/Milford Lake to take over the Governor's Classic event.

12. Item No. 95-10; Hotaling met with representatives of Kansas Wildscape to discuss the future of the Governor's Classic at Coffey County Lake. Hotaling reviewed the investment in volunteer labor and funding made by WCNO and Coffey County agencies such as the Economic Development Department and the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Merry presented 15 positives or benefits to holding the tournament at Coffey County Lake vs. Milford Lake. Leonard Jirak reported on catch rates and pounds per acre of fish where Coffey County should rate higher than Milford.

13. Item No. 95-18; Hotaling met with Chuck Trimble of New Eagle Communications to review the loan account status and the recent financial statements. Hotaling also discussed some potential new marketing agents and new products to be sold by New Eagle.

14. Item No. 95-29; Leadership Coffey County Youth Program Task Force met November 3rd to finalize the new curriculum and schedules for the 2004 class. Hotaling revised application forms and sent letters, brochures, application forms, etc. to guidance counselors at all three Coffey County USD's.

15. Item No. 97-7; Hotaling attended the Coffey County Chamber of Commerce business expo on Friday, November 7th at Kelly Park (Kelly Hall & 4-H Building). There were a lot of nice booths and a good crowd turned out for the event that included a visit from Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus.

16. Item No. 98-6; Hotaling attended the Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission Executive Committee meeting in Chanute. The committee approved several grant administration contracts, reviewed the organizations financial report, discussed the annual meeting to be held December 4th, and reviewed revolving loan accounts.

17. Item No. 98-10; Hotaling attended the SEK, Inc. legislative reception and legislative council meeting in Chanute. Co-chairs Bret Sayre and Rochelle Chronister reviewed the SEK, Inc. position statements for the legislators in attendance. A majority of the SEK representatives and senators were in attendance. Hotaling completed the data packets for the SEK, Inc. sponsored tour of Southeast Kansas by the Kansas Department of Commerce business recruitment representatives on November 18th and 19th.

18. Hotaling provided information on Huff's Garden's principals, amortization table, corporate address, etc. to Doug Witteman for loan documents to be signed on November 17th.

- 19.** Hub Caspar, Coffey County Engineer, presented and discussed the weekly report dated November 10, 2003. Robert Reed, Road Supervisor, and John Zuern, Administrative Assistant, were also present.
- 20.** Item No. 93-01; Road Permits Report: Three Road Permits were issued during the past week.
- 21.** Item No. 99-99; Zoning Permit/Applications Report: Two Zoning Permits were issued during the past week.
- 22.** Item No. 99-13; Landfill: C&D Update – Sign application for C&D Waste Disposal Area.
- 23.** Merry moved, based upon the recommendation of the County Engineer, to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the “Application for Approval to Establish and Operate Construction/Demolition Waste Land Disposal Area” and that said application be submitted to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.
- 24.** Sipe moved to recess into Executive Session at 11:03 a.m. for 10 minutes to include each of the Commissioners, the County Attorney, and the County Engineer to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.
- 25.** The Board resumed regular session at 11:13 a.m.
- 26.** Caspar presented updated information and maps regarding the road tour scheduled for Wednesday, November 12, 2003, at 8:30 a.m.
- 27.** Caspar also presented the Construction Zone Report for the week of November 10, 2003.
- 28.** Chairman Merry reported having a request from a constituent to not allow the use of “Jake” brakes in Coffey County. Caspar said this should be handled by the cities in the County and not the County itself.
- 29.** The Administrative Coordinator reported having a call from Jeannene Ryan, WCNOC, saying the outage is on schedule with the scheduled finish date being November 22, 2003.
- 30.** Bloomer also reported on a NACo meeting at Naples, Florida that she attended recently.
- 31.** Mark Petterson, Coffey County Republican, suggested combining the “Christmas On Us” program, sponsored by the Coffey County Republican, with the Coffey County Recycling program promotions on December 22, 2003.
- 32.** Crotts moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:48 a.m., to attend the mural dedication at noon and to attend the County road tour Wednesday morning, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Response Optional

1. KDHE – Notice regarding City of New Strawn Wastewater Treatment Facility
2. USDOT – Notice regarding FAA Airspace Case No. 03-ACE-45-NR

Response Not Required

3. Council on Aging – Minutes of 9-3-03 and 5-7-03
4. Whitney Damron – Legislative Updates on Kansas Open Records Act and E-911/Wireless Emergency Communications.
5. Hawver’s Capitol Report – 11-04-03; 10-31-03
6. KAC – Legislative Bulletin – 11-04-03
7. League of Kansas Municipalities – Legislative Alert regarding Internet Tax Bill
8. KDOT – Letter regarding Quarry Roads Reimbursement for Contract No’s. 40336782; 40336784; 040338992
9. City of Gridley – Minutes of 11-3-03
10. NACo – Legislative Bulletin

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Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk