

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m., Monday, November 16, 2015. Chairman Arlin Meats called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with members Jim Dale, Kenneth Combes, Fred Rowley and Bob Saueressig present. County Clerk Angie Kirchner, County Attorney Christopher Phelan and Administrative Assistant Donna Berland were also present. WCNOC Representative Tim East was present for a portion of the meeting.
2. Combes moved to approve the minutes of Monday, November 9, 2015, as written, seconded by Dale. Motion carried.
3. **Consent Agenda**
  - A. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for Wayne H. Bland (Trey), New Hire, Subject to New Hire IPP, Sheriff's Office, Deputy Sheriff, Classification: LE-III-b, Wage: \$18.29, effective 11/16/15. (This employee fills a vacant position.)
- 3a. Dale moved to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.
4. Combes moved to approve the Legal Holidays and Paydays for Coffey County Employees during the calendar year 2016 and New Year's Day 2017, and approve the Memorandum to all Department Heads and County Employees regarding the personal day for 2016, seconded by Meats. Motion carried.
5. Dale moved to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the memorandum to Department Heads regarding year-end expenditures, seconded by Combes. Motion carried.
6. Rowley moved to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the letter of support for the grant of COF Training Services, Inc. to the Kansas Department of Transportation for operating funds for transportation services of handicapped consumers in Coffey and Franklin counties, seconded by Saueressig. Motion carried.
7. Rowley, moved upon the recommendation of the IT Director and approval of the County Attorney, to waive the purchasing policy as to competitive bidding for good cause, said cause being sole source and to approve the purchase of additional 50 licenses of InformaCast from Singlewire Software, in the total amount of \$ 2,208.50, and to authorize and direct the IT Director to sign all documents related thereto. Funding for the purchase will come from the 2015 County General Fund — Technology Training and Equipment Line Item, seconded by Saueressig. Motion carried.
8. Health Department Administrator Lindsay Payer met with the Board to present the monthly report for October 2015.
9. Emergency Management Coordinator Russel Stukey met with the Board to present the monthly report for October 2015.
10. Stukey also discussed the procedure for updating the evacuation time estimate. WCNOC Representative Tim East added that every 365 days WCNOC reviews the evacuation time

estimate and assesses any increase or decrease in population numbers and then sends the document to Stucky for review.

- 11.** BG Consultants, Inc. Bruce Boettcher met with the Board to discuss the bids received from contract for Bridge B188 and the recommendations from the contract engineer, BG Consultants, to award the bid to Rubick Construction.
- 11a.** Saueressig moved based upon the recommendation of the County Engineer, move that the bid submitted by Rubick Construction, Inc. as being (Garner Road — 2.6) in the amount of \$136,876.25 from their bid dated November 3, 2015. This will be paid from the Special Bridge Fund, seconded by Combes. Motion carried. Federal Fund Exchange money is available to the County from the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) for safety improvement projects to be refunded to the Special Highway Improvement Fund, approximately \$120,000.
- 12.** County Engineer Wayne Blackbourn met with the Board to present the weekly report for November 16, 2015.
- 13.** Item No. 99-01; Road Permits: No Road Permits were issued during the past week.
- 14.** Item No. 99-19; Zoning Permit/Applications Report: One Zoning Permit was issued during the past week.
- 15.** Blackbourn also presented the Construction Zone Report for the week of November 16, 2015.
- 16.** The Board left for a Road Viewing at 11:00 a.m. at a portion of Iris Lane south of 19th Road with Road Viewers Brett Skillman, Terry Anderson, Lowell Platt, County Attorney Chris Phelan and County Clerk Angie Kirchner.
- 17.** The Board returned to the courthouse for lunch in the kitchen at 12:10 p.m.
- 18.** Meats moved to open the public hearing at 1:00 p.m., seconded by Saueressig. Motion carried. Road Viewers Terry Anderson, Brett Skillman and Lowell Platt, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks Brad Hageman, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Neal Whitaker, James N. Webster, Gale Combes, Kris Cox, Ty Rogers, Aaron Short, Larry Truelove and Hazel Kemp and requesting landowner Wade Anderson were present.
- 18a.** Meats asked for any members of the public to speak in favor of the road closing. Landowner Wade Anderson stated that he was in favor of closing the road due to the amount of traffic during all hours of the night. Anderson stated that he was not against the hunters that wanted to hunt the public land, but he wanted to limit the amount of traffic on the road. Anderson felt he should know what's going on at the end of his property. There were no other members of the public in favor of the road closing.
- 18b.** Gale Combes stated that he uses the creek and is opposed to the road closing. Combes said that he traps and fishes in that area of the corps ground. Combes stated that there is no place at Hickory Creek to cross back over to the west side to access this area if the road is closed. Aaron Short stated that he has fished in the area for over 30 years. Short said if the access is

cut off, then all the other roads are going to be eventually closed and there would not be any access to hunt the public land. Short said he didn't see a need for the county to rock it and maintain it more than it already is. Short said people spend their money in Coffey County by staying in hotels, eating, drinking and buying hunting licenses. James Webster stated that he would like to see the road remain open. Webster said it's the only access as a disabled person for him to be able to go to hunt. Webster said if the County decides to keep it open he would like to see the County maintain it and keep it in good shape so that would keep this from happening again in the future. US Department Corps of Engineers Neal Whitaker stated he was here to speak in opposition of the road closing. Whitaker said that he was in favor of keeping the road open for public ingress and emergency ingress purposes. There were no other opposing comments.

**18c.** Meats moved to close the public hearing at 1:09 p.m., seconded by Dale. Motion carried:

**18d.** There were 0 Road Viewers in favor of vacating the road.

**18e.** There were 8 Road Viewers not in favor of vacating the road, as the current road is essential for the Corps of Engineers to have access to their property. Commissioners directed the County Engineer to place this road on the maintenance schedule work for a low maintenance road project.

**19.** The Board resumed the meeting at 1:09 p.m.

**20.** The Board will question and sign warrants and vouchers for the month of November on Tuesday, November 24th, at 9:00 a.m.

**21.** The Board will question and sign warrants and vouchers for the month of December on Wednesday, December 28th, 2015, during the meeting.

**22.** Meats adjourned the meeting at 1:31 p.m.

### **Correspondence**

1. The Kiplinger Letter – November 6, 2015

2. The Kiplinger Tax Letter – November 6, 2015

3. U.S. Senator Jerry Moran – “Kansas Common Sense” Newsletter – November 10, 2015

4. City of Waverly – Council Meeting Minutes of October 14, 2015

5. Coffey County Historical Society & Museum – Timelines Newsletter – August 2015

6. Senator Knox – “Straight Talk” Newsletter – November 8, 2015

Minutes, November 16, 2015

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk