

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, April 26, 2004, to individually review correspondence. Chairman Gene Merry called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with members R. Kraig Kirchner, Larry Crotts, Tim Sipe and Fred Rowley, Jr. present. Also present were County Clerk Vernon Birk, County Attorney Doug Witteman and Administrative Coordinator Mary Bloomer. Present for part of the meeting was Mark Petterson, Coffey County Republican Editor.

2. Sipe moved to approve the minutes of Monday, April 19, 2004, as corrected, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried. Corrections were: April 26, 2004, new paragraph 7, add "The County Attorney discussed proposed changes by legislature regarding home rule and disposal of County property. Paragraph 14, add to last sentence, "Caspar suggested rejecting the"; delete 'rebid with', replace with "rebidding". Paragraph 21, add "by mail" after 'analysis'. Delete "from the state" in paragraph 21, at end of second sentence. Paragraph 22a, delete "from the state". Paragraph 31, delete 'department head'; replace with "Coordinator". Paragraph 34, last sentence, delete 'will be'; replace with "is looking"; delete, 'further as to exactly what is allowed by law'.

3. Consent Agenda:

A. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for the following ST Temp Equipment Operators for the Mowing Crew, effective May 3, 2004:

| <u>Employee</u> | <u>Classification</u> | <u>Hourly Wage</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Jim Iseman | M-III-b | \$11.50 |
| Jim Trager | M-III-b | \$11.50 |

B. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Coffey County Payroll Notice for CSA compensation for Darla Jones from March 18, 2004 through March 31, 2004.

C. Upon the recommendation of the Fiber Optic Control Board, move to approve payment of the billing from Integrated Solutions Group for Norton Anti-Virus at a cost to the County of \$922.75, with funds to come from the Fiber Optic System Construction fund. All members of the Fiber Optic Control Board will each be billed separately by the users they have in their own entity.

D. Move to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the letter of support for the Coffey County 21st Century Learning Center.

3 a. Rowley moved to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted, seconded by Kirchner. Motion carried.

4. Sipe moved, upon the approval of the County Attorney as to form, to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the Agreement with Nationwide Risk Consulting, Inc. regarding Workers' Compensation Insurance, seconded by Merry. Motion carried.

5. Elysa Lovelady, County Appraiser, met with the Board to discuss valuation of the AST Building.
6. Randy Rogers, Coffey County Sheriff, Bill Walker, Coffey County Fire District No. 1 Administrator, and Becky Jewett, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, visited with the Board regarding storage of the Command Vehicle and HaZmat trailer. It was decided that a storage shed addition built onto the Sheriff's Annex would cost too much. Walker said temporally the Command Vehicle is being housed at the Gridley station at this time. He will discuss it with the Board at the next Fire Board meeting to see if they could house it there for the next year and one half. The HaZmat trailer will be housed at the Waverly station by agreement with the Fire District.
7. Hub Caspar, County Engineer, presented and discussed the weekly report dated April 26, 2004. Robert Reed, Road Supervisor, and John Zuern, Administrative Assistant, were also present.
8. Item No. 93-01; Road Permits Report: No Road Permits were issued during the past week.
9. Item No. 99-99; Zoning Permit/Applications Report: No Zoning Permits were issued during the past week.
10. Item No. 99-13; Landfill: C&D Vertical Expansion – Scrap metal sale tabulation. Spring Clean-Up Week – April 26 – May 1. **A scrap metal sale tabulation was attached to the report in the amount of \$9,369.95 on April 14th, 2004.**
11. Item No. 2004-06; Bridge Steel: Rebid opening for B-029 is May 17, 2004 at 10:30 a.m.
12. Item No. 2004-09; Bridge Steel: Rebid opening for B-027 is May 17, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. **Also attached to the report was the Construction Zone Report for the week of April 26, 2004.**
13. Item No. 2004-10; Microsurfacing: The Bid Opening will be April 28, 2004 at 2:00 p.m.
14. The Board and Caspar briefly discussed valuation of a working rock quarry. Caspar will come back to the Board when the Appraiser has her appointment at 11:30 a.m.
15. Herb Hood, Chairman, and Darren Isch, Coffey County Airport Manager, visited with the Board regarding the cost benefit analysis for the airport and the proposed project for the AST building located on the airport land. Isch requested support from the Board and Economic Development in the amount of \$22,000.00 budgeted funds; lump sum payment of \$64,000.00 in February, 2005 to AST from Economic Development; \$56,000.00 additional in 2005 airport budget. The Commissioners were unable to commit to the project at this time.
- 15 a. The airport has a prospect who is interested in leasing the building but not buying it.

- 15 b.** Isch also presented a list of highlights and accomplishments within the last four years.
- 16.** Jon Hotaling, Economic Development Director, presented and discussed the weekly report for the week of April 19, 2004.
- 17.** Item No. 95-9; Hotaling prepared handouts for elected officials networking breakfast. Hotaling reviewed activities and events for breakfast attendees. Hotaling introduced mayors, superintendents, the Housing Director, the Fire District Coordinator, the Hospital Administrator, and other presenters.
- 18.** Item No. 95-24; Hotaling attended the K-State Leadership Seminar featuring Margaret Wheatley, one of the nation's leading authorities and authors on community development, service and leadership. After the seminar, Hotaling hosted the Kansas Leadership Forum Leadership Roundtable featuring leadership coordinators and educators from across Kansas.
- 19.** Item No. 95-25; Hotaling attended the Jayhawk Area Council Sojardi District Boy Scouts 'Distinguished Citizen' dinner at Emporia State University. The 2004 Distinguished Citizens were Elva and Lewis Humphreys. Ken Roney received the Coffey County Good Scout Award.
- 20.** Item No. 95-29; Hotaling completed and mailed out Leadership Class IV agendas, invitations and other materials for the Leadership Coffey County graduation and dinner to be held at the Coffey County Museum on Monday, April 26th.
- 21.** Item No. 00-3; Hotaling checked with counselors from USD 245 and USD 243 to see if any Flight Training Scholarship applications had been submitted. No applications were submitted from 245 or 243. The Southern Coffey County Counselor had received an application from a home-schooled student that she will be forwarding. Two applications were received from USD 244.
- 22.** Item No. 03-2; Hotaling attended the Hunter's Hope Benefit Organizational Committee Meeting held at 7:00 p.m. on April 20th at the Outdoor Connection. Hotaling finalized programs and collected tickets, donations, etc. Hotaling helped with ticket sales, drawings, etc., at the banquet held Sunday evening at the Burlington High School.
- 23.** Item No. 04-1; Hotaling presented and delivered additional flyers for the Artrain USA exhibition to the Burlington Library to be distributed to the Coffey County Chamber of Commerce, businesses, and other organizations. Hotaling received posters from Artrain USA that will be delivered as soon as participating railroads can be identified and included on the local information labels for the posters, which were designed by Ronda Truelove.
- 24.** Hotaling spoke with an out-of-town business that toured the Oldcastle building with representatives of Oldcastle and Hart Industrial Realtors.
- 25.** Hotaling hosted five citizens from Japan who are visiting Kansas as a Rotary International Group Study Exchange. Hotaling gave them a driving tour of the County and hosted them on a tour of the Coffey County Museum. The group also toured the WCNOG Generating Station.

26. JoAnn Raaf, Coffey County Treasurer, reported on the 2003 Special Auto Report and discussed the second distributions for entities, as the taxes are due in May instead of June this year. County distributions this year will be on June 5th and September 20th, 2004.

27. The Board met with Elysa Lovelady, County Appraiser, to discuss how rock quarry properties were valued. She indicated this past year she discovered the previous County Appraiser had valued the quarries as waste at a value of \$10 per acre and ag-use classification. Based on a directive from PVD, she has corrected them to a commercial classification and is valuing them at \$2300 per acre for 2004. Her office had contacted the adjoining counties to see how they were valuing and she adopted the valuation Lyon County uses based on their research. Mark Hopkins, Deputy Appraiser, had viewed each quarry to break out use prior to the valuations being mailed. Several are under appeal and Hopkins is working with the landowners and quarry operators to obtain information relevant to the individual quarry and tons of rock taken out. Lovelady indicated she hoped to have valuation decisions on hearings made later this week and would report back to the Commission the first of next week.

27 a. Hub Caspar, County Engineer, was also present for the discussion.

28. Commissioner Kirchner left the meeting at 12:00 noon for another appointment.

29. Sipe moved to adjourn at 12:32 p.m. until 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 28, 2004, to sign warrants and vouchers and attend to other County business that may arise, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Response Not Required

1. Hawver's Capitol Report – Misc. Dates
2. Corps of Engineers – Public Notice
3. Mary Gunlock Family – Thank you
4. Coffey County Library – May Calendar of Events
5. KDHE – Permit Renewal
6. Wolf Creek – Letter regarding training
7. City of Gridley – Minutes of 4-5-02
8. Lucille Coopman Family – Thank you
9. City of Burlington – Minutes 4-7-2004

Response Optional

10. Kansas Nonpoint Source Adversary Committee – Notice of Training

Minutes, April 26, 2004

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk