

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, September 12, 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, Gene Merry and Larry Crotts present. Also present were Angie Kirchner, Coffey County Clerk, Doug Witteman, Coffey County Attorney, and Donna Berland, Administrative Assistant.
2. Sipe moved to approve the minutes of Tuesday, September 6, 2005, as corrected, seconded by Merry. Motion carried 4-0-1 abstention, Crotts. Paragraph 24., delete 'of \$90,000.00'; delete 'paying the \$90,000.00', replace with "committing". After '\$90,000.00', add "for support of the project, not dictating the purchase price." Paragraph 25., delete '\$20,000.00', replace with "fund."
3. Crotts moved to approve the advertisement for one position on the Coffey County Housing Authority Board, seconded by Merry. Motion carried.
4. Coffey County Health Administrator Susan Mueller met with the Board to discuss the KDHE Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Local Contract. Mueller stated that the PACE (People with Arthritis Can Exercise) program has started in Lebo. Mueller reported that in October the Step Into Fall 2005 walking program will begin in order to prepare for the Team Challenge in January. The health fair blood draw will be held on Sept. 29th, 2005 in the courthouse. In October, the Health Department will be in the satellite libraries to do blood draws as well. Mueller was invited to be a part of the Kansas Prosperity Summit on October 12, 2005 in Independence to evaluate policies and identify ways to strengthen the Kansas economy. Mueller would be willing to take any ideas or suggestions to the Summit.
5. Merry moved to approve the KDHE Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Local Contract with Coffey County Health Department from September 1, 2005 – August 31, 2006 in the amount of \$17,930.00, seconded by Kirchner. Motion carried.
6. Hub Caspar, County Engineer, presented and discussed the weekly report dated September 12, 2005. John Zuern, Administrative Assistant, was also present.
7. Item No. 93-01; Road Permits Report: One Road Permit was issued during the past week.
8. Item No. 99-99; Zoning Permit/Applications Report: No Zoning Permits were issued during the past week.
9. Item No. 99-13; Landfill: Filter Rock purchase.
- 9a. Merry moved, upon the recommendation of the County Engineer and approval of the County Attorney as to form, to enter into a purchase agreement for 15,000 tons of filter rock from Nelson Quarry, ½ mile south of the Landfill at a price of \$5.80 per ton with eighty percent to be paid monthly as the rock is made and twenty percent to be paid as the filter rock is used. Payment is to be made from the Landfill Capital Outlay Fund, seconded by Crotts. Motion carried.

- 10.** Item No. 2005-12; BRIDGE STEEL: Request authorization to solicit bids for rebar for B33 (F=23.1).
- 10a.** Merry moved, to approve the County Engineer's request to solicit sealed bids for rebar and bar supports for B33 (F-23.1), seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.
- 11.** Caspar also presented the Construction Zone Report for the week ending September 12, 2005.
- 12.** Coffey County Undersheriff Ken Roney invited the Board to participate in the OK Kids barbeque and events and for the presentation of the OK Kids Proclamation.
- 13.** Monique Burns, Mike Kastle, and Linda Doggett of the 21st Century Community Learning Center and Coffey County Library Administrator Mary Markwalter met with the Board to discuss working toward a county-wide program to include LeRoy-Gridley. The 21st Century Community Learning Center after school program is a Service Learning program for children. Burns explained how the program is very beneficial for children and asked for a grant of \$20,000.00 from the County to continue to run the after school program that will include LeRoy-Gridley. Markwalter was in support of the 21st Century continuing to run the after school program and working with the children at the libraries. Markwalter stated that the children respond better at the libraries being in the 21st Century Learning program than without any supervision at all.
- 13a.** Kirchner moved, to approve a grant of \$20,000.00 to USD 245 LeRoy-Gridley to support the continuation of the after school programs to include the LeRoy-Gridley site with the funds to come from Community Improvement Line Item, seconded by Crofts. Motion carried.
- 14.** Jon Hotaling, Economic Development Director, submitted the weekly report for the week of September 12, 2005.
- 15.** Item No. 95-9; Hotaling attended the Coffey County Strategic Planning Committee meeting at the Coffey County Hospital. The committee discussed housing issues, tourism activities, museum activities, chamber activities, and library activities. Hotaling discussed the Music Box building and plans to use it as a Performing Arts Center. The committee also discussed the importance of some type of 'Welcome Wagon' program in the County. The committee will research options for a Welcome Wagon and discuss them at the October meeting.
- 16.** Item No. 97-6; Hotaling completed and mailed out agendas for the Coffey County Manufacturer's Association meeting scheduled for September 14th at the Coffey County Hospital.
- 17.** Hotaling met with representatives from the City of Burlington and a business prospect looking for a 5,000 to 10,000 square foot building. The business would employ 30 to 40 and would start operation around January 1, 2006. The company would be eligible for enterprise zone incentives through the State of Kansas. The state could also provide training for employees and other incentives. The city could negotiate utility rates and property tax exemption. The

County could provide some assistance with the equipment purchase or rental costs. Hotaling will be working with the city & state for a building if the prospect's needs could be identified.

18. Hotaling completed the loan report for the period of August 1st – August 31st. All accounts are current except Kansas Assemblies. Hotaling will notify Countertop Trends, LLC, in Gridley, informing them that their payment amount will change in November.

19. Hotaling discussed a rural water project with Mayor Bill Freeman of LeRoy. Everything is moving forward according to Freeman. Freeman invited Hotaling to attend the 'Bleeding Kansas' meeting in the LeRoy Library on October 13, 2005, at 10 a.m.

20. The Board will sign checks and vouchers on Thursday, September 29th, 2005, at 8:30 a.m.

21. Rowley adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m. to attend the employee appreciation picnic to be held at Kelley Park.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Response Not Required

1. Sandra Soper, Cherokee County - Southeast District County Officials Meeting
2. State of KS - Board of Tax Appeals
3. Kiplinger's Personal Finance Adviser - September 2005
4. KDOT - County Non-Federal-Aid Agreement for construction engineering inspection services agreement
5. KDHE - Solid Waste Update - August 2005
6. Burlington City Council Regular Session - August 17, 2005
7. The Kiplinger Letter - Sept. 2, 2005

Minutes, September 12, 2005

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk

