

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, July 21, 2008. Chairman Tim Sipe called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with members Larry Crotts, Fred Rowley, Jr., Kimberly Robrahn and Bob Saueressig. Denise Humlicek, Payroll Clerk, Doug Witteman, County Attorney, and Donna Berland, Administrative Assistant, were also present. Tim East, WCNOC Representative was also present.
2. Rowley moved to approve the minutes of Wednesday, July 16th, 2008, as corrected, seconded by Robrahn. Motion carried. Paragraph 10., add “Total estimated construction” before ‘Costs’, delete ‘materials’.
3. Wayne Blackbourn, County Engineer, presented the weekly report dated July 21, 2008.
4. Item No. 93-01; Road Permits Report: No Road Permits were issued during the past week.
5. Item No. 99-13; Zoning Permit/Applications Report: No Zoning Permits were issued during the past week.
6. Item No. 2008-12; Highway Paint Striping: Request authorization to solicit sealed bids for approximately 220 miles of Pavement marking. Bid opening - July 2, 2008 @ 2:00 p.m. Review bids and make award.
7. Blackbourn informed the Board that the Road & Bridge Department is going to be working (4) ten hour days per week beginning in August and will continue through September. Blackbourn stated that the schedule will be from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and off on Fridays. Blackbourn is implementing this trial schedule to determine if there are any cost savings for the department.
8. Item No. 95-32; Hotaling received written confirmation from Network Kansas of approval of a loan/grant to Countertop Trends LLC in Gridley for the purchase of a grinder for recycling waste particle board. Hotaling also reminded Countertop representatives to provide written notice to the County of its election to exercise the option to purchase the facility in Gridley by August 1, 2008.
9. Item No. 97-7; Hotaling attended the Coffey County Chamber of Commerce ‘After Hours’ event kicking off the Wild Blue BBQ on Friday, July 18th.
9. Item No. 98-6; Hotaling attended the semi-annual combined meeting of the Executive Committee and General Commission of the Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission in Chanute on Thursday evening, July 10th. Bruce Fairbank, President of the Southeast Kansas Prosperity Foundation, provided a powerpoint program on the foundation and projects funded during the past 12 months. The SEKRPC 2008-2009 budget was approved.

- 10.** Item No. 03-3; Hotaling reviewed draft loan documents for Huff Gardens. Hotaling was notified by the owner that most likely the City of Burlington participation won't be confirmed until late July. Monday, August 4th, 2008 may be the next time the owner meets with the Coffey County Commission.
- 11.** Item No. 05-3; Hotaling met with Charles Heath, treasurer of the Southeast Kansas Prosperity Foundation, after he closed on a Small Community Downtown Building Renovation Loan/Grant for the River City Towers project at 311 Neosho St. in Burlington. The funding from the SEK Prosperity Foundation will be in the form of a grant for \$8,000 and a loan for \$32,000.
- 12.** Item No. 07-2; Hotaling attended the Freedom Frontier Heritage Area meeting in Baldwin City. The meeting updated Phase 2 of the General Management Plan and discussed interpretation and education components including designation of Freedom Frontier National Heritage Area partner sites, story authentication, and education projects. A Founding Donor Program has been set up to recognize founding donors. Gifts must be received by December 31, 2008.
- 13.** Item No. 07-3; Hotaling has been working with Doug Witteman, Coffey County Attorney, and the owner of the Gridley Gleam to set up a payment program and to transfer funds due to the Gleam for advertising by the County to the Gleam's Network Kansas / Coffey County loan for payment of past due amounts.
- 14.** Hotaling completed the loan report for the period of June 1st to June 30th.
- 15.** Hotaling spoke with Eileen Smith about assistance in arranging a booth at the Coffey County Fair for the Kansas Solar Electric Cooperatives.
- 16.** Hotaling spoke with the owner of a call center company that visited Burlington about a month ago. The call center will be revisiting the area the last week of July or first week of August.
- 17.** Hotaling participated with Donna Berland in interviewing candidates to serve as the 2008-2009 4-H Ambassador for Coffey County. Hotaling interviewed four excellent candidates. Hotaling finalized his decision and submitted a recommendation letter to the Coffey County Extension Office on July 14th.
- 18.** Hotaling met with a Coffey County business owner to discuss Coffey County Economic Development loans, SEKRPC loans and the application process. The business is also working with a local bank.
- 19.** Westar Representatives Erin Menard and Susan North met with the Board for a 2004 Bond Issue Refund.
- 19a.** Crotts moved, upon the recommendation of the County Attorney as to form, to approve Resolution No. 782, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF

POLLUTION CONTROL REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS SERIES 2008 BY THE CITY OF BURLINGTON, KANSAS, seconded by Robrahn. Motion carried.

20. WCNOC Representative Tim East informed the Board that the sirens were tested last Wednesday, July 16th and the Lebo siren failed. Emergency Management Coordinator Russel Stukey stated that American Signal would be servicing the siren today. Stukey added that all old sirens will be removed. The old Lebo siren will remain until the new siren is properly functioning.

21. Saueressig moved to enter into Executive Session for 15 minutes at 11:12 a.m., to include each of the Commissioners and Appraiser Connie Lawrence, to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel, seconded by Robrahn. Motion carried.

22. The Board resumed regular session at 11:27 a.m.

23. The Board will sign warrants and vouchers for the month of July 2008, on Monday, July 28th, 2008, following the meeting.

24. The Board will canvass the results of the August 5th Primary Election on Monday, August 11th, 2008.

25. Sipe adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

Correspondence

Received:

1. Lake Region Solid Waste Authority - Recycling News - July 20, 2008
2. Lake Region Solid Waste Authority - July 22, 2008 Agenda and May 20, 2008 Minutes
3. Coffey County Fire District #1 - July 21, 2008 Agenda and June 16, 2008 Board Meeting
4. New Strawn City Council Minutes of June 5 and July 3, 2008
5. Infinitec - Manatron's acquisition of Infinitec - July 18, 2008
6. Gridley City Council Minutes - July 7, 2008
7. Waverly City Council Minutes - May 14 and June 11, 2008
8. KDHE - Solid Waste Update - July 2008

Minutes, July 21, 2008

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk