

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m., Monday, December 28, 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 Clerk, County Payroll/Benefits Coordinator Denise Humlicek, County Attorney Christopher Phelan and Administrative Assistant Donna Berland were also present.
2. Saueressig moved to approve the minutes of Monday, December 21, 2015, as corrected, seconded by Combes. Motion carried.
3. Dale moved to adopt the Capital Improvement Plan, Coffey County, Kansas, and further authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the same, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.
4. Economic Development Director Stacy Haines met with the Board to present the monthly report. Haines presented a survey regarding the County website and recommended updating the County website to make it more user-friendly. Haines presented many examples of other attractive and user-friendly websites for reference. Information Technology Director Bill Bauer was also in attendance.
5. The Board directed Haines seek bids for updating the County website.
6. County Engineer Wayne Blackbourn met with the Board to present the weekly report for December 28, 2015.
7. Item No. 99-01; Road Permits: No Road Permits were issued during the past week.
8. Item No. 99-19; Zoning Permit/Applications Report: No Zoning Permits were issued during the past week. Special Board Zoning Appeals Meeting to be held December 30, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
9. Blackbourn also presented the Construction Zone Report for the week of December 28, 2015.
10. Dale moved to enter into Executive Session for 10 minutes at 10:04 a.m., to include each of the Commissioners, the Economic Development Director and the County Counselor, to discuss legal matters related to County owned property, seconded by Combes. Motion carried.
11. Housing Authority Director Ronda Gilbert met with the Board to request to waive landfill fees for a structure located at 1734 Iris Road, Lebo, KS.
- 11a. Saueressig moved, based upon the recommendation of the Housing Authority Director, to waive landfill fees for a structure located at 1734 Iris Road, Lebo, KS, seconded by Rowley. Motion carried.
12. The Board discussed the Wind Farm Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) and how the funds would be distributed. Coffey County citizens Don Drumm, Cameron Gifford, Matt Seaman, Stan Snyder, Darrell Pyle, Lyle Williams, Craig Meader, Steve Lightle and USD #243 Superintendent Ted Vannocker, USD #243 School Board member Peggy Meader were also present. Vannocker presented information regarding the valuation and mills generated by Wolf

Creek valuation and what taxes provide to the USD #244 School District. Vannocker also provided a comparison between USD #244 and USD #243. Vannocker said that the Windfarm PILT money should be redistributed back to the district as if the Wind farm was being taxed because it was the right thing to do. Saueressig said that since we were getting money from the windfarm, we should use the money to rebuild our reserves. Combes said we should not hurt one territory to try to rebuild our reserves. Meats said he didn't feel one specific area should have to make up the difference. Rowley said everything had pretty well been said that he would have wanted to say.

13. The Board authorized County Counselor Christopher Phelan to create a Resolution for next week to be approved for Wind Farm PILT money distribution.
14. The Board questioned and signed warrants and vouchers for the month of December 2015.
15. Meats recessed the meeting at 2:42 p.m. until Thursday, December 31, 2016, to sign year end transfers on Thursday, December 31, 2015, at 11:45 a.m., and to address any other County business that may arise.

Correspondence

1. Kristy Kelley – KDOT – District 4 Monthly Direction for December – December 22, 2015
2. Coffey County Fire District #1 – Board Meeting Minutes of December 21, 2015
3. Coffey County Library – Board Meeting Minutes of November 16, 2015
4. Coffey County Library – January Events – December 22, 2015
5. U.S. Senator Jerry Moran – “Kansas Common Sense” Newsletter – December 22, 2015
6. Finney & Turnipseed – Christmas Card – December 21, 2015

Minutes, December 28, 2015

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk