

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

May 14, 2013

Chairman Jack Carpenter called the meeting of the Chautauqua County Board of Commissioners to order on Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. in the commission room of the courthouse. Commissioners Goff Searl and Danny Williams were present as was County Counselor Larry King and County Clerk Janice A. Fine. Danny Williams gave prayer.

Danny Williams provided an estimate from Chad's Plumbing to replace the heating and a/c units for the third floor. Costs will be charged to the County Building Fund. Goff Searl made the motion to accept the estimate from Chad's Plumbing in the amount of \$6,236.40. Danny Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Joel Haden, Road & Bridge Supervisor, updated commissioners on department business. Crew is hauling rock at Dalton Rd and Rd 11. Rock has been spread at Hewins. Rock is being hauled to near Junction 25. Rock is being hauled to Highway 99 and Frontier. Rock is being hauled at Rd 30 and Gallop. Rd 21, north of Chautauqua, going north around the curve rock is being hauled. Commission asked if Rd 22 and Grafton Rd had been graded. A citizen was pleased. Joel remarked that roads are being graded. They are working the right of way at Dalton and Rd. 29.

Darrel Blankinship is back to mowing. Joel requested that he start slow.

A new wand for the brush sprayer which shoots 60' has been received. Caney Valley Electric sprayed and killed grass and trees going north on Grafton Rd. The new wand gives them the ability to shoot all the ditches.

Chipper discussion: Joel has not yet received the sample release of liability from KWORRC.

The cost estimate for the motor purchase for the 966 Loader is \$13,598.00 per Brian Satterlee. Brian Satterlee asked that the commission be made aware that the labor savings will be \$11,000.00 which was greater than the previous estimate provided at the last meeting.

Classes offered by KWORRC were discussed with Joel.

Commission discussed the issue of big rock in the wind row somewhere near Round Mound. Van Shaff needs gravel and Joel will review. An elderly gentleman was upset that Rd 2 isn't being taken care of. Joel will review.

Joel's office maintains a complaint list and he works them as appropriate. Road and Bridge staff maintains a list of the roads they grade on a daily basis.

Commission and County Clerk had an in-depth discussion regarding Health Care Reform and current issues.

Linda Chase joined the meeting. Chase provided documentation to the commissioners and County Counselor, Larry King. Chase wanted to clarify statements from the May 2, 2013 meeting and to ask if any disciplinary action would be taken regarding Appraiser, Karen Spencer's actions.

Commission stated they are working on the issues.

Danny Williams requested to go into executive session with County Counselor, Larry King, to discuss attorney/client privilege at 9:55 a.m. for 20 minutes. Goff Searl seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Jack Carpenter called the regular commission meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. No action was taken as a result of this executive session.

Goff Searl made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for May 7, 2013. Danny Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Jack Carpenter requested to go into executive session with County Counselor, Larry King, at 10:26 a.m. for 10 minutes to discuss attorney/client privilege. Jack Carpenter called the regular commission meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

Jeanie Beason joined the meeting to discuss the Health Department. Annie Blankinship also joined the meeting. Jack indicated Annie was here to be interviewed for the Health Administrator position. Jeanie recommended Annie for this position. Commission stated that the wage needs to be looked at. Annie is being trained on grant writing for the health department. Annie does create the grant for Healthy Babies. Office manager, grant writer and Health Administrator should be combined which would create a great savings for the department. Annie is very active and helps in all aspects of running the health department. Annie is active with the emergency management aspect of this job and has created a relationship with that group. There was discussion of a part time Healthy Start person that would not impact the health benefit budget. Combination of jobs will save the department \$20,000.00 minimum. Annie Blankinship was dismissed from the meeting so issues could be discussed with Jeanie Beason.

Commission talked to Jeanie about the possible hourly wage for Annie. Commission first approached the idea of \$15.00 per hour. Jeanie commented that you can't look at what Annie currently makes as the new responsibilities will encompass two current position responsibilities. Jeanie's recommendation was moving Annie to \$20.00 an hour and to decrease Jeanie to not less than \$23.00 per hour. There was an in-depth discussion on tasks and what would be an appropriate hourly wage for the responsibility. The level of responsibility for the health department is tremendous.

Commission will review wage requirements and render a decision prior to June 1, 2013.

Commission requests that Annie Blankinship be placed on the agenda for May 21, 2013 for further discussion.

Karen Spencer joined the meeting to ask commissioners to renew a contract for analysis with McCulley for the same amount as 2013. Commission approved and signed the contract.

Commissioners reviewed and approved the Warrants Payable expenditures as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Totals</u>
General Fund	12,652.28
Appraiser	2,044.79
Election	2,467.96
Health	970.69
Noxious Weed	1,713.95
Road and Bridge	13,179.54
Special Rock	738.91
Solid Waste	6,062.61
VIN Fees to State	102.00
Treasurer Auto	312.72
<u>Employee Benefits</u>	<u>5,014.70</u>
Total All Funds	45,963.15

Danny Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:32 a.m. Goff Searl seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Goff Searl, First District Commissioner

Danny D. Williams, Second District Commissioner

Jack Carpenter, Chairman, Third District Commissioner

ATTEST:

Janice A. Fine, County Clerk