

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

May 30, 2014

Chairman Danny Williams called the meeting of the Chautauqua County Board of Commissioners to order on Friday, May 30, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in the commission room of the courthouse. Commissioners Goff Searl and Jack Carpenter were present as was County Counselor Larry King and County Clerk Janice A. Fine. Chairman Danny Williams opened the meeting with prayer.

Minute's approval: Jack Carpenter made a motion to accept the minutes of May 20, 2014. Goff Searl seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Progress has been made on the dig safe issue regarding the fencing around the trash dumpsters.

John Mooney joined the meeting to discuss road conditions. The road drainage has been modified. Commissioner Searl viewed the property via his cell phone with Mooney. Mooney questioned if the pipe removed was on private land not public land. Commissioner Carpenter asked Joel Haden to bring the transit and shoot the road but if the pipe is put back in its original position, erosion will begin on Mooney's property. The road right of way will be reviewed before any work begins. Mooney stated they need a crown on the road and ditches on both sides. The roads around the Mooney property are sand based not lime based so it makes them harder to maintain. Road & Bridge staff do not intentionally grade the roads flat. Commissioners are working on correcting the roads in question. Commissioners agree that they will review and make it right.

Tim Nordell joined the meeting as observer.

Annie Blankinship, Health Department Administrator, joined the meeting to discuss information she gathered regarding the current UA process. She thanked commissioners for the extra door work on the new entryway. There is a lot involved in being trained to do the ua process. Blankinship provided a chart for commissioner's review. Current company is reasonably priced. TMHC can provide the training so our Health Department can provide the testing for KDOT compliance. Cost to convert was discussed. Blankinship believes there will not be any savings by bringing this process in house. Commissioners will discuss these findings with Joel Haden, Road & Bridge Supervisor at the next meeting.

Judge Casement joined the meeting to ask commissioners if they can attach the report from RWD3 to our website. Commissioners approved.

Tim Nordell brought a handout referencing the local floodplain development permits for oil and gas well sites. There was discussion on the requirements if we participated in the National Flood Insurance Program which Chautauqua County does not. A map was provided showing counties in Kansas who participate, which is minimal.

Lisa Hudson, Treasurer joined the meeting as observer.

There was continued discussion regarding flood plain insurance and requirements. Emergency Management was developing a new Mitigation Plan for commissioners review as required by law. Commissioners have not received anything. There was discussion regarding entities and where their water source is coming from. Nordell stated that Germany is purchasing US water entities. Nordell offered that a Home Health company would benefit this community. The understanding is that a non-local home health business is opening here and it's a shame that a local person did not get this business started.

Lisa Hudson, Treasurer and Larry King, County Counselor, discussed a tax payer question for their opinion. A gentleman had items registered here, received renditions and tax statements, which were never returned. Gentleman talked with our Appraiser. Appraiser abated the tax. He now wants all fees and interest. Tax amount is all that will be refunded to this gentleman unless King finds a statute that contradicts this action.

Hudson's next issue is related to a few months back, oil and gas leases. Old oil and gas has been paid on a piece of property by the Clark's and the issue is should they be refunded. Statue 79-2110 clearly states she is due the refund. King's opinion based on the statue is that a refund is in order.

Melton refund was mentioned so commissioners are aware.

Janice Fine, County Clerk, brought a CMB License for the Deadend Rally for their signature. Jack Carpenter made a motion to approve the license renewal. Goff Searl seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioners reviewed and approved the Warrants Payable and P/R expenses for End of Month expenditures as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Totals</u>
General Fund	\$83,907.50
Ambulance District #1	\$4,560.42
Ambulance District #2	\$13,875.00
Appraiser	\$6,637.75
Election	\$ 200.00
Employee Benefit	\$85,241.33
Health	\$24,925.16
Noxious Weed	\$26,391.22
Road and Bridge	\$57,666.43
Special Bridge	\$1,493.00
Juvenile Detention	\$1,499.00
County 911	\$120.00
Solid Waste	\$14,555.36
Treasurer's Auto	\$3,308.57
R of D tech Fund	\$687.50
Total All Funds	\$325,014.24

Jack Carpenter made a motion to adjourn at 10:28 a.m. Goff Searl seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Goff Searl, First District Commissioner

Danny D. Williams, Chairman, Second District Commissioner

Jack Carpenter, Third District Commissioner

ATTEST:

County Clerk, Janice A. Fine