

April 12, 2010

The Jefferson County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session on Monday, April 12th at 1:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Richard Malm, Lynn Luck and Roy Dunnaway, Jan Hayes, County Counselor and County Clerk, Linda M. Buttron.

Vouchers were reviewed and approved by the Counselor and the Board. Tax change orders were signed. The Board conducted an interview for the position of Appraiser at 11:30 a.m. Lynn moved that the minutes of April 5th be approved as presented. Roy seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board signed a travel request for Planning & Zoning.

Francis Hubbard, Road and Bridge met with the Board. He reported that the project for the Big Slough bridge (BSN#14) will be let sometime in May for construction beginning after Little Slough is finished. Work continues on the Little Slough bridge project. Francis asked for permission to purchase a new dump truck. The Board agreed to the request by consensus. A discussion was held about the process necessary to sign low maintenance dirt roads to allow for prosecution of those who tear up the roads when it is muddy.

Delia Heston, Register of Deeds met with the Board. She reported that quarter to date revenues for the department are within expected percentages. The Heritage Trust Fund (which is funded by fees collected at the County level) has awarded another grant to Jefferson County for the boyhood home of John Stuart Curry at Old Jefferson Town. She discussed the recording software installed a year ago and the next steps the office plans to make with regard to technology that will allow electronic filing of documents.

Eileen Filbert, Health Department met with the Board. Eileen reported that the department scored 99 points on a recent federal audit of their preparedness grant. Medicare cost report auditing was also done March 18th. Eileen discussed issues and activities in sewer districts. Richard moved that the Board sign an agreement with Lake Shore Estates Sewer District Board of Directors allowing them to continue to perform the day to day fiscal responsibilities for the district. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of them motion. Lynn moved that the Board sign the notice of termination for authorization of storm water runoff for Lake Ridge Estates Sewer District #7. Roy seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. Eileen discussed the upgrade of the phone system to allow for a "Preparedness Grant" requirement for more phone lines for the Health Department in case of a public health emergency. The upgrade would also allow for an 800 number for citizens to call regarding any HIPAA breaches as is required in the new regulations for HIPAA. The upgrade also allows gives other county departments some increased capacity in the phone system as well as the capability for VOIP phones. Eileen is willing to pay for the upgrade from Equipment Reserve and Preparedness Grant funds. The Board agreed to the upgrade by consensus.

Joe Hurla, 360 Energy Solutions, a Lawrence company met with the Board. Joe discussed the services offered by his company with regard to the Energy Grant offered by the State of Kansas.

Linda asked for an executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel with regard to policy issues. Richard moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel until 2:20 p.m. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 2:05 p.m. Present during the session were Linda, Jan and the Board. The Board reconvened at 2:20 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding

action was taken during executive session.

The Board recessed to tour the nearly completed renovation of the GIS/IT Building (fka The Variety Store) across the street from the courthouse. The Board reconvened at 2:55 p.m.

Richard moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel for the purpose of preparing annual evaluations until 3:40 p.m. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 3:00 p.m. Present during the session was the Board. The Board reconvened at 3:35 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

Lynn moved that the Board go back into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel for the purpose of conducting an evaluation and other non-elected personnel business. Richard seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 3:40 p.m. Present during the session were Eileen Filbert and the Board. The Board reconvened at 4:00 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

Richard moved that the Health Department be authorized to hire a temporary assistant director. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Lynn moved that the Board go back into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel for the purpose of conducting an evaluation. Richard seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 4:03 p.m. Present during the session were Mark Richards, Auxiliary Services Director and the Board. The Board reconvened at 4:15 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

Lynn moved that the Board go back into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel for the purpose of conducting an evaluation. Richard seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 4:17 p.m. Present during the session were Doug Schmitt, Emergency Management Director and the Board. The Board reconvened at 4:22 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

There being no further business to come before the Board they adjourned to meet in regular session on April 19th, 2010.