

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MARION COUNTY, KS**

February 20, 2018

Commission met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with Chr. Dianne Novak, Comm. Kent Becker, and Comm. Randy Dallke present. Also present were Co. Clerk Tina Spencer and members of the press. Present for portions of the meeting were Co. Counselor Susan Robson, Yvonne Cushenbery, Tom Britain, Carl Stovall, Anthony Roy, and Mike Beneke.

**ADMINISTRATIVE: Minutes:** Dallke requested an amendment to the February 12<sup>th</sup> minutes on Page 5159 under Transfer Station to change the wording from “scale” to “terminal”. Becker moved to approve the minutes as amended. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Dallke moved to approve the February 14<sup>th</sup> minutes as presented. Becker seconded and motion carried 3-0.

- Change orders affecting 2017 and prior years’ tax rolls were reviewed and signed.
- Early check #49681 to Postalocity in the amount of \$5,487.86 for CVN mailings – Appraiser fund was processed.
- **Co. Counselor Bid Award:** Novak moved to appoint Brad Jantz as Co. Counselor for one year effective April 1, 2018 per his proposal. Motion died for lack of a second. Becker was in favor of retaining Robson. After a lengthy discussion, Novak moved to appoint Brad Jantz as Co. Counselor for one year effective April 1, 2018 and to retain Robson for tax sale work. Becker seconded and motion carried 2-1. Dallke opposed.
- Salary sheets were signed: Rhonda Curry, AP Clerk – five year raise from \$2,827.00/mo. to \$2,884.00/mo. effective 1/21/2018; Jessica Snyder, 911 Operator – six month raise from \$14.34/hour to \$14.62/hour effective 2/1/2018; Chelsea Weber – promotion to Lead Dispatcher from \$15.48/hour to \$15.74/hour effective 1/21/2018.
- A letter of thanks was signed for Kevin Fruechting’s past service on the Judicial Nominating Commission.
- The Board approved a request from the Marion Advancement Campaign to tour the Main Street (Bowron) building.

**Historic Tax Credit Bid Award:** Bids for the purchase of the County’s Historic Tax Credits totaling \$197,053.00 were reviewed:

Citizens State Bank – Moundridge, KS	\$0.94/\$1.00 = \$185,229.82
CE Capital Partners, LLC – Overland Park, KS	\$.894/\$1.00 = \$176,165.38
Fallbrook Credit Finance, LLC – Calabasas, CA	\$.915/\$1.00 = \$180,303.50

Becker moved to accept the bid from Citizens State Bank for \$185,229.82. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0.

**ROAD & BRIDGE:** Supt. Jesse Hamm presented transport fuel bids for review:

	Tank #3 4,000 gals.	Tank #1 1,000 gals.	Unleaded 3,000 gals.	Total
Cooperative Grain & Supply, Hillsboro	2.4200	2.1650	1.9520	\$17,701.00
Agri Trails Coop, Navarre	2.4400	2.1850	1.9800	\$17,885.00
Epp’s Service, Elbing	2.5925	2.3378	1.9900	\$18,677.80

Novak moved to accept the bid from Cooperative Grain in the amount of \$17,701.00. Dallke seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

- Salary sheets were signed: James Olsen, Bridge/Culvert Supervisor – six month raise from \$3,405.00/mo. to \$3,472.00/mo. effective 2/7/2018; Glen George, Equipment Operator I – one year raise from \$2,312.00/mo. to \$2,356.00/mo. effective 2/13/2018.
- Contracting for crack sealing on Sunflower Road was discussed. The quote was for \$32,665/mile. Hamm was directed to have his crew experiment with the County’s crack seal machine to see if the job can be handled in house.
- Hamm reported that the sand spreader broke down and was unavailable for use during this round of icy weather. Purchasing used trucks to use for salt/sand was discussed. No decisions were made. The Board agreed to have the motor grader operators make a list of areas in their sections where individuals are farming the ditches.

**TRANSFER STATION SITE DISCUSSION:** Dir. Bud Druse joined the session. Florence Mayor Bob Gayle presented a letter which offered an option for a transfer station site near the junction of Hwy. 50 and Hwy. 77. No decision was made.

**MCCEDC DISCUSSION:** Mike Beneke inquired whether the MCCEDC might be able to use the previous phone number for Marion County Economic Development. In addition he asked for clarification about how the MCCEDC Board should request information from the County in the future. The Commission agreed that a letter should be sent to the County from the MCCEDC Board once an employee has been hired to request the desired phone number change and /or information.

**CO. TREASURER:** Co. Treasurer Jeannine Bateman presented bank signature cards for Chr. Novak to sign.

**COUNTY HEALTH INSURANCE:** Bruce Schultz of BCBS presented the health insurance renewal options for Marion County. Overall the renewal rates reflected about a nine percent increase over last year. No decisions were made.

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**AMBULANCE:** Dir. Ed Debesis presented statistics and financial reports for the month of January, 2018, and reported that he is waiting on a second bid for a new ambulance. The Board agreed to have Debesis return later in the session with the bid information. Co. Counselor Susan Robson joined the session.

**TRANSFER STATION:** Dir. Bud Druse presented bids for the preparation of a storm water plan for the transfer station: Kaw Valley Engineering bid \$3,500.00 and BG Consultants bid \$6,100.00. Novak moved to accept the bid from Kaw Valley in the amount of \$3,500.00. Becker seconded and motion carried 3-0.

An additional option from BG Consultants for a smaller transfer station building at the 180th Road location was presented at a cost of just over \$2,000,000.00. No decision was made.

**CO. COUNSELOR:** Robson requested an executive session for five minutes to discuss potential litigation. Novak moved to enter executive session with Robson to discuss potential litigation pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (2) for attorney/client business for five minutes (from 11:34 a.m. to 11:39 a.m.). Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Open session resumed with no action.

**SHERIFF:** Sheriff Rob Craft asked the Board if they wish to provide Active 911 text messaging to volunteer departments as a backup to the E911 radio paging at an approximate cost of \$2,000.00/year. Dallke moved to provide for the service to be paid from sales tax. Becker seconded and motion carried 3-0.

Holiday pay for part-time personnel was discussed. The current policy is that part time employees receive straight pay for all hours worked, regardless of whether they fall on a holiday. Dallke moved to pay part time personnel who filled in for the Sheriff over the Christmas holiday eight hours of holiday pay. After a short discussion, Dallke withdrew his motion and the matter was tabled until the next meeting. Sheriff Craft was asked to provide a list of those affected. The issue of holiday pay for part time employees will also be addressed during the upcoming pay plan study.

**PARK & LAKE HIRING DISCUSSION:** Novak moved to enter executive session to discuss hiring for the Park & Lake Supt. position pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters for five minutes (from 12:03 p.m. to 12:08 p.m.). Becker seconded and motion carried 3-0. Open session resumed with no action.

**AMBULANCE BIDS:** Debesis returned to the session. Debesis presented quotes for a new ambulance:

Emergency Services Supply	2018 Osage Type III Ford E450 gas engine	\$184,450.00
Professional Ambulance Sales & Svc.	2018 Horton Ford E450 gas engine	\$204,375.00

Debesis indicated that there are also two remount diesel units available, which would be considerably less expensive:

Emergency Services Supply	2018 Osage Type III remount - 2016 Chevrolet G4500 Diesel	\$155,225.00/each
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The dealer was contacted on the phone and agreed to provide an additional discount for the purchase of both remounts, but the amount would not be known immediately. After additional discussion, Dallke moved to purchase both remounts for a total cost not to exceed \$155,225.00 each. Becker seconded and motion carried 3-0.

**TRANSFER STATION:** The Board agreed to pursue a KDHE permit for the 180<sup>th</sup> Road location. Dallke moved to enter executive session to discuss property acquisition pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (6) preliminary discussion of acquisition of real estate for 10 minutes (from 12:42 p.m. to 12:52 p.m.). Becker seconded and motion carried 3-0. Open session resumed with no action.

**COMMISSION DISCUSSION – BAIT SHOP:** The idea of an individual operating a mobile bait shop at the Park & Lake was discussed. The Board agreed to have the interested individual contact Planning & Zoning to see if regulations would allow such an operation. No decision was made.

Novak moved to adjourn. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

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Dianne R. Novak, Chairman

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Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk