

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

September 24, 2018

Commission met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. at the Marion County Courthouse 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 Yvonne Cushenbery, Tom Britain, Henry Ethem, Lloyd Meier, Linda Peters, Van Peters, and Carol L. Duerksen.

**2017 COUNTY AUDIT REPORT:** Scot Loyd, Swindoll, Janzen, Hawk & Loyd, presented the audit report for 2017. The management letter and financial statements were reviewed and discussed, including cash balances.

**ADMINISTRATIVE:** Becker moved to approve the minutes of September 17<sup>th</sup> as presented. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Dallke moved to approve the minutes of September 18<sup>th</sup> as presented. Becker seconded and motion carried 3-0.

An agreement between Kansas Dept. of Health & Environment and Marion County pertaining to WIC (Women, Infants & Children) Services was signed by Chr. Novak.

**ROAD & BRIDGE:** Supt. Jesse Hamm presented salary sheets for approval: new Administrative Asst. Victoria James at \$2,061.00/mo. effective 9/17/2018 and Lawrence Lanning – part-time seasonal Equipment Operator at \$12.00/hour effective 9/25/2018.

A road crossing permit for Moundridge Telephone to bore and lay fiber near 160<sup>th</sup> and Falcon in sections 24&13-20-1E east and north of Goessel was signed by Chr. Novak.

The Board signed three copies of an Agreement for Federal-Aid Construction Engineering Inspection Services by Consultant (Third Party Agreement) for Bridge #40 (Project #57C-4877-01) between Marion County, KDOT, and BG Consultants.

**WEED/HHW/TRANSFER STATION/RECYCLING:** Dir. Bud Druse reported that the crane at the transfer station broke down again. Currently the department is using Road & Bridge equipment for packing trailers. Monthly rental would be between \$2,400 and \$3,000 per month. Druse was instructed to bring bids for a new machine to the next meeting.

The control for the northern overhead door at the transfer station is not working. Druse indicated that if a new control is purchased, it can be moved to the new facility in the future. Bids for replacement controls were reviewed:

Cheney Door, Hutchinson	\$1,662.00
Overhead Door, Salina	\$2,052.00

Dallke moved to replace the unit through Cheney Door in the amount of \$1,662.00. Becker seconded and motion carried 3-0.

The Board agreed to have Druse apply rock to a city road near the transfer station (with the City's permission).

**NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION (NR) APPLICATION:** Co. Appraiser Lisa Reeder, Deputy Appraiser Brian Frese, and property owner, Dale Leach, joined the session to request special approval to apply for the NR program outside the 60 day deadline. Dallke moved to allow Leach to participate in the NR program. Becker seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**AMBULANCE DEPT.:** A salary sheet was signed for Interim EMS Director Robert Church – increase from \$15.81/hour to \$17.81/hour effective 9/21/2018 until an EMS Director is hired.

Office Manager Jamie Shirley joined the session and requested an executive session to discuss personnel/performance. Novak moved to recess into executive session to discuss personnel/performance with J. Shirley and the Board present to discuss personnel performance pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters for (about) 15 minutes, until 10:40 a.m. with open session to resume in the Commission room following the closed session. Open session resumed with no action.

Joshua Clevenger joined the session and offered information/clarification regarding his role in teaching CPR classes. Counselor Jantz joined the meeting. The development of a policy was discussed. Clevenger indicated that Marion County EMS is no longer aligned with the American Heart Association as a training center (as of last week). However, Clevenger is still authorized to teach through his personal business. At some point in the future, after a policy is implemented, it may be possible for Marion County EMS to be reinstated as a training center under a participating agency.

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**AMBULANCE DEPT., CONTINUED:** Interim Dir. Robert Church joined the session and requested permission to expand the pool of part-time medical technicians from four to eight to help cover holes in the schedule. The Board had no objection.

Novak moved to allow Church to use the Director vehicle. Becker seconded and motion carried 2-1. Dallke opposed.

**ROADS IN LIBERTY TOWNSHIP:** Linda Peters, Liberty Twp. Trustee, read a prepared statement expressing continued concerns about roads in the township. After discussion, the consensus of the Board was that Novak would contact the State Engineer for specific recommendations, and once the Board has received that information to set an evening meeting with several Twp. Trustees to review it and potentially develop a plan of action for the future.

**CO. TREASURER:** Co. Treasurer Jeannine Bateman said the new driver license system is scheduled to be implemented in October. Depository coverage was discussed and how to improve the process to ensure adequate coverage at all times.

**CO. COUNSELOR:** Jantz presented a draft agreement between Marion County and the Marion County Community Economic Development Corporation (MCCEDC) outlining the County serving as “pay agent” for the potential MCCEDC Director and Administrative Assistant in the future.

Jantz reported that he is working with Planning and Zoning regarding several violations that remain unresolved. The next steps will be for Jantz’ office to issue a letter, and then move forward with injunctive relief as warranted.

**ADMINISTRATIVE:** Novak moved to enter executive session to discuss personnel/performance for five minutes pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters with the Board and Jantz present for five minutes (from 12:45 p.m. to 12:50 p.m.) with open session to resume in the Commission room following the closed session. Becker seconded and motion carried 3-0. Open session resumed with no action.

Novak moved to adjourn. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 12:56 p.m.

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Dianne R. Novak, Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk