

The Board of Logan County Commissioners met on Monday, July 1, 2019. Those present were Commissioners Cameron Edwards, Cody Younkin and David Hubert. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Cameron Edwards.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Hubert to approve the agenda with the addition of Letitia Keenan at 9:00 a.m., Carl Uhrich at 10:00 a.m. and discussion regarding Manor/Hospital. Motion carried 3-0.

Ken Bockwinkel, Superintendent of USD #274, met with the Board to discuss several items. Discussion was held regarding their bond question, the EMT class at the school and ROZ (Rural Opportunity Zone) participation. He also asked the Board if they would be interested in having a joint meeting with the city, school, hospital and rec board regarding projects coming up and see what the needs are long term for the community. The Board agreed they were interested in having a joint meeting. At 8:40 a.m. it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin to go into executive session for five minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion carried 3-0. Those present in the session were Commissioners Edwards, Hubert, Younkin and Bockwinkel. The Board returned to open meeting at 8:45 a.m. with no action taken.

At 8:50 a.m. it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Hubert to go into executive session for five minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion carried 3-0. Those present in the session were Commissioners Edwards, Hubert, Younkin and County Clerk Crystal Rucker. The Board returned to open meeting at 8:55 a.m. with no action taken.

Jim & Letitia Keenan met with the Board to discuss their termination from the EMS Department. Letitia presented the Board with a letter she wrote and asked them to all read it. Jim then shared several items on his list. The Board listened and informed them that they are supporting the director of the department and have no comments.

Deb Trembley representing OPTIONS (Domestic and Sexual Violence Services) met with the Board requesting 2020 budget consideration of \$2,000.00. After some discussion, the Board agreed to consider her request for funding.

At 9:35 a.m. it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Hubert to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected

personnel. Motion carried 3-0. Those present in the session were Commissioners Edwards, Hubert, Younkin, County Attorney Craig Uhrich and County Clerk Crystal Rucker. The Board returned to open meeting at 9:45 a.m. with no action taken.

EMT Karsten Whyte met with the Board and read them a letter he wrote regarding the EMS Department.

Carl Uhrich met with the Board asking them for financial support to have the Doughboy Statue cleaned by the City office. Uhrich found a guy who can do the cleaning the last week of July and would cost around \$400.00. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin to pay to have the statue cleaned. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board read a letter that was delivered this morning from the Board of Trustees for Logan County Health Services regarding the Hospital/Manor situation. In the letter, the Trustees asked the Board to make a decision by July 16, 2019 whether they County can and will fully subsidize the Manor losses out of the general fund until funding from a vote is implemented. Finally, the Trustees would like a decision regarding taking a resolution to public vote in November 2019. Discussion was then held by the Board regarding the state statutes and all the legal implications that apply. In 2017 the Kansas legislation enacted a law prohibiting County Governments from increasing the tax levy to a level greater than the Consumer Price Index. Statute, KSA 19-4606(c) appears to allow a special election only in the instance when a regular election will not be held within 6 months from the adoption of the resolution. The hospital presented the resolution to the Board on June 17, 2019 therefore the deadline to hold an election 6 months prior would not have sufficed. Being that the tax lid is so new, there is no case law or Attorney General's opinion to provide for guidance therefore the Board wants to make sure to find the best possible solution to the problem.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin to sign the letter of support for the grant application from Logan County Hospital for partial funding for a 72" V-Blade for Logan County Health Services. Motion carried 3-0.

The minutes from the June 16 and 26, 2019 meetings were reviewed. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin respectively to approve both sets of minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed the Warrant Register dated June 28, 2019 as follows: General \$47,942.41; County Health \$2,227.28; Road & Bridge \$21,877.89;

Noxious Weed \$9,074.56; Fire \$1,902.19; EMS \$5,248.18; Drug Forfeiture \$3,009.47; Special Sheriff VIN \$445.00; Payroll Clearing \$2,452.34 for a total of \$94,179.32. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin respectively to approve the Warrant Register as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed the 4 hours of overtime for the Weed Department for June.

The Board reviewed the June 28, 2019 Payroll Register as follows: General \$39,893.23; County Health \$10,071.05; Road & Bridge \$22,224.10; Noxious Weed \$3,974.87; Fire \$8,007.85; EMS \$12,529.89 for a total of \$96,700.99. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin respectively to approve the Payroll Register as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business discussed it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Hubert respectively to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 15, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____