

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioner McGaughey, Commissioner Shapland and County Clerk present. Commissioner Stewart was absent due to illness. Ulysses News Reporter, Nancy Kletecka was in attendance. Commissioner McGaughey led the Pledge of Allegiance and provided prayer.

Martin Long, 124th State Representative, and John Martin, citizen, joined the meeting.

Judy Keusler, Ken Keusler, and Sue Ellen Borthwick, Grant County Community Foundation Members, presented a Proclamation for the 11th Annual Grant County Gives Week. Commissioner McGaughey proclaimed October 30 through November 5, 2022, as Grant County Gives Week.

Shaun Minks, Public Works Supervisor, and Lance Babcock, Interim Public Works Supervisor, met with commissioners. Mr. Minks gave an update on work needed on county roads. Next, he presented bids on truck tires. Kevin Shapland motioned to approve the bid from Carlos Tires at a cost not to exceed \$7,204.00, and for this expense to come from the Road Department fund. Mark McGaughey seconded motion and it carried unanimously. Thirdly, bids for lawnmower blades were presented. Mark McGaughey motioned to approve the bid for mower blades from Rotary Cutter Supply at a cost not to exceed \$9,887.00, and for this expense to come from the Road Department fund. Kevin Shapland seconded motion and it carried unanimously. Fourthly, a bid for signposts was presented. Kevin Shapland motioned to approve posts for County Road signs at a cost not to exceed \$7,065.00, and for this expense to come from the Road Department fund. Mark McGaughey seconded motion and it carried unanimously. Fifthly, the Public Works Supervisor relayed the grapple bucket on the Transfer Station backhoe broke. Parts were too costly and requested permission to purchase a new backhoe grapple bucket. It was the consensus of commissioners to allow the purchase. Sixthly, discussion was held on a container owned by J&M Firework Displays and housed at the Road Department. An agent for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives requested a copy of the landowner agreement for housing the container. It was determined permission was not given to house the container on County property. It was the consensus of commissioners to have the Public Works Supervisor notify the owner and request it be moved off County property. Lastly, Mr. Babcock reported he would be stepping back after today. Commissioners thanked Lance for supporting and assisting the County.

Mark McGaughey motioned to recess into executive session with the County Clerk for 10 minutes to discuss an employee issue under the justification of personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Kevin Shapland seconded motion and it carried unanimously. After 10 minutes the meeting continued in open session with no action taken.

Ludi Gonzales, Senior Center Director, presented a new agreement from ElderCare Nutrition Services. The Director stated ElderCare will increase payments \$300.00 with the new contract. Kevin Shapland motioned to approve the new Services Agreement with ElderCare. Mark McGaughey seconded motion and it carried unanimously.

Commissioners reviewed and rated the Airport Consultant Statement of Qualifications Proposals from Lochner, RDM International, Inc., Kirkham Michael, and Benesch. Steve Rice, Airport Manager, joined this part of the meeting. After discussion, Mark McGaughey motioned to

approve Lochner for airport engineering services for the next 5 years starting immediately. Kevin Shapland seconded motion, and it carried unanimously.

Commissioners reviewed the proposed 2023 County calendar. Kevin Shapland motioned to approve the calendar as presented. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Mark McGaughey motioned to accept the bid from Atlas Electric for the KDOT Project No. AV2022-38, to replace Runway 12-30 MIRL System at a cost of \$257,514.00, with State cost share of 90/10. Kevin Shapland seconded motion and it carried unanimously.

Kevin Shapland motioned to approve minutes for the October 4, 2022, meeting along with claims against various funds of the County, payroll total \$150,557.56 dated October 5, 2022, and voucher numbers ending 168103 totaling \$372,113.90. Mark McGaughey seconded motion, and it carried unanimously.

Discussion was held on a time to open bids for disposal of Airport office furniture. No time was stated on the marketplace notice. If no other bids arrive the County Clerk was directed to open the sole bid for approval at 5 p.m. If other bids came in commissioners would reconvene and open bids at 5:00 p.m.

Denise James, Health Department Administrator, met with commissioners. Kevin Shapland motioned to recess into executive session with the Administrator for 30 minutes to conduct an evaluation of duties under the justification of personnel matters of non-elected personnel. After 30 minutes the meeting continued in open session with no action taken.

A revised contract from Kansas State University to use office space and indoor parking was reviewed. Mark McGaughey motioned to approve the contact between Grant County and Kansas State University-Kansas Forest Service to use office space at the Fire Station and indoor parking space at the Emergency Management Garage for \$400.00 per month retroactive starting January 1, 2022. Kevin Shapland seconded motion and it carried unanimously.

It was the consensus of commissioners to move the November 15, 2022, regular meeting to November 22, 2022, to ensure all commissioners could attend.

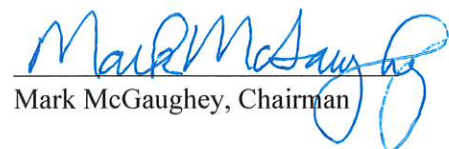
Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Commissioner McGaughey and Commissioner Shapland reconvened at 5:00 p.m. to open bids for unneeded airport office furniture. Two bids were received and opened. Mark McGaughey motioned to accept the highest bid of \$507.33 from Martin Long. Kevin Shapland seconded motion and it carried unanimously.

Commissioners adjourned at 5:15 p.m., to meet again in regular session on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.


Sheila Brown, County Clerk




Mark McGaughey, Chairman