

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Linda McHenry, Commissioner Marty Long, and the County Clerk present. Commissioner Carl Higgs was unable to attend due to a conflict in scheduling. Chairman Linda McHenry led the Pledge of Allegiance. Media representatives were: Laci McCarter, Ulysses News; and Kellie Euliss, KULY Radio.

The monthly department head meeting was held with the following in attendance: JD Neufeld, Civic Center Manager; Jerry Jo Deckert, EMS Director; Lance Babcock, Sheriff; Rita Gee, County Treasurer; De Lane, Purchasing Agent; Randy McCauley, Road Department Administrator; and LaVonne Michael, Senior Center.

Commissioners requested Randy McCauley, Road Department Administrator and JD Neufeld, Civic Center Manager, remain to discuss the proposed concession/ restroom building at the Civic Center Complex. Commissioner Long requested Randy work with Loren Wright, County Surveyor, to draw a set of plans to give bidders. A meeting was planned between all parties involved and information will be presented at the next commissioner meeting.

George Binney, local resident met with commissioners to request they be on the side of the Constitution of the United States and openly support the right of the people to keep and bear arms.

Randy McCauley, Road Department Administrator, presented road crossing permits which were reviewed and approved. The commissioners reviewed and approved exchanging \$43,000 through the Federal Exchange Fund Program and banking the funds with the State of Kansas for future transportation projects. Mr. McCauley presented two quotes for a new pressure washer for the county shop. Marty Long made the motion to allow the Road Department to purchase a pressure washer at a cost of \$4,895 from R-D Sales, to be taken from the Road Department funds. Linda McHenry seconded the motion, and it passed.

Marty Long made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2012 regular meeting, along with the claims against the various funds of the county. Linda McHenry seconded the motion, and it passed.


Marty Long made the motion to recess into executive session for preliminary discussions relating to the acquisition of real property for 20 minutes. Linda McHenry seconded the motion, and it passed. After 20 minutes the meeting continued, no action was taken as a result of the executive session.

Terry Maas introduced himself and shared his interest in serving on the Hospital Board of Trustees.

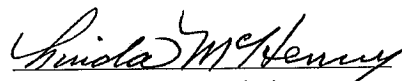
Marty Long made the motion to adjourn at 11:45 a.m. Linda McHenry seconded the motion, and it passed.

Commissioner Long and McHenry reconvened at noon for lunch at the Park View Assisted Living with the Hospital Board of Trustees. Those attending from the hospital were: Art Frable, Administrator; David Higgs, Mary Moyer, and Dr. Mark Gerstberger, Trustees; and Robert Jacobi, Director of Finance. General discussion was held.

Commissioners Long and McHenry adjourned for the day at 1:15 p.m. to meet again in regular session January 22, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.


Sheila Brown, County Clerk




Linda McHenry, Chairman