

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with all members and the County Clerk present. Ulysses News Reporter, Lara Tusten was in attendance. Commissioner Shapland led the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner Stewart provided prayer.

Mark McGaughey was sworn in as County Commissioner District 3.

The monthly department head meeting was held with the following in attendance: Randy McCauley, Public Works Supervisor; O. La-Vonne Michael, Senior Citizen Director; Terri Trotman, County Treasurer; Dana McDaniel, Register of Deeds; Toni Irvin, Health Department Administrator; Paul Fort, EMS Director; John Crosby, Fire Chief; Mari Honstead, Civic Center Manager; and Richard Banes, City/County Inspector.

Richard Banes, Solid Waste Committee Member, presented member recommendations for the 2019 Solid Waste Management Committee. Janet Stewart made the motion to appoint Mark McGaughey to represent County Commissioners and to approve the proposed list of members. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Randy McCauley, Public Works Director, and Rick Klein, Shop Foreman, discussed rebuilding a motor grader. Commissioners reviewed the 5-year plan for the Road Department. Because of the age and hours of the grader, Janet Stewart made the motion to allow the Road Department to get bids for a new road grader. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mari Honstead, Civic Center Manager, presented verbal information on storage sheds to replace an old building on the Civic Center Complex. Janet Stewart made the motion to purchase a shipping container from Big L Sales at a cost not to exceed \$2,650.00; to purchase iron for an overhang on the container at a cost not to exceed \$500.00, with total cost of the project being \$3,150.00, and for this expense to be paid from the County Building fund. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Next, verbal information was presented for a welder. Janet Stewart made the motion to purchase a Miller 252 MIG Welder from Lampton Welding Supply at a cost not to exceed \$2,809.00, and for this expense to be paid from the Special Equipment fund. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. It was the consensus of commissioners to dispose of the old welder on Big Iron Online Auction.

Paul Fort, EMS Director, requested permission to get bids for an outdoor building sign; replace flooring in crew sleep quarters; replace 16 ballasts and lights in ambulance bays; and replace two old furnace/air conditioning units. It was the consensus of commissioners to allow the EMS Director to seek bids for an outdoor sign. The lights, flooring, and a/c units will be discussed after commissioners tour the facility.

Kevin Shapland presented checks to the EMS Director and Health Department Administrator for interest draws from the Grant County Community Foundation Permanent

Endowment funds, Ambulance Department in the amount of \$3,300.12, and Health Department in the amount of \$4,570.00.

John Crosby, Fire Chief, presented bids for outdoor signage. Janet Stewart made the motion to purchase signs from Sign Source at a cost not to exceed \$1,850.00, which includes signs for Fire and Emergency Management, and for this expense to be paid from the County Building fund. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. *Secondly*, bids were presented for spray foam and wall liner from floor to ceiling to finish the east and west sides of the Fire Station bays. Janet Stewart made the motion to approve the bid for spray foam from Spray Foam Solutions at a cost not to exceed \$2,783.56; and approve the bid for metal wall liners from Silver Star Overhead Doors at a cost not to exceed \$5,516.58, and for this expense to be paid from the County Building fund. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. *Thirdly*, a bid to work on garage doors was presented. Mark McGaughey made the motion to approve the sole bid from Silver Star Overhead Doors at a cost not to exceed \$3,926.82 for adjusting and replacing seals, and installing two garage door openers, and for this expense to come from the County Building fund. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. *Fourthly*, the Fire Chief relayed Fire Department personal will strip and seal floors in the bay area. *Fifthly*, the Fire Chief presented a bid and explained an offer made by Weis Fire & Safety Equipment for a new grass fire truck with a 7-year-old bed. Kevin Shapland made the motion accept the bid from Weis Fire & Safety Equipment at a cost not to exceed \$109,080.81, and for this expense to be paid from the Fire Equipment fund and directed the Fire Chief to negotiate a lower price if possible. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Later in the day the Fire Chief returned, and relayed Mike Weis had agreed to lower the price \$4,080.00. *Lastly*, at a later meeting the Fire Chief will bring a list of Fire Trucks he wants to dispose of on Purple Wave Online Auction.

Kevin Shapland made a motion to amend the motion made on October 16, 2018 for a phone system from Pioneer Communications to allow an additional \$547.74 to the amount allotted. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The quoted system did not allow for two different phone numbers, one for Fire Department and one for Emergency Management.

Mark McGaughey made the motion to reappoint Dixie Flowers, Bill Stewart, Debbie Long, Ginger Anthony, and Dave Otis to the Tourism Board for 1-year terms. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to approve Airport T-Hangar Lease Agreements with Colby Caple for hangar unit 8-5, and Scott Malone for hangar unit 8A-2. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Commissioners reviewed and approved a Work Agreement with Syracuse Dairy and Kevin Swank to remove wood chips and a pile of brush at the Grant County Transfer Station at no charge to the County.

Commissioner Shapland discussed monies Grant County is holding from memorials given to the care home for resident needs. The auditor advised to set up a fund within the County general ledger as a pass-through fund. When invoices are turned over to the County for care

home needs an accounts payable check will be issued and the fund will be debited. Currently Grant County is holding \$95,829.56 in a savings account for Western Prairie Senior Living Care Home.

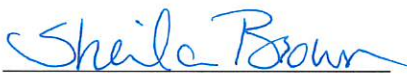
Discussion was held on the inclement weather policy. The County Clerk was directed to make changes to the policy and bring back to a later meeting. The Emergency Management Coordinator will be given the inclement weather contact list and serve as backup if the County Clerk is out of town.

Janet Stewart made the motion to approve minutes for the January 15, 2019 meeting along with claims against the various funds of the county, payroll total \$280,036.65 dated January 16 and January 30; voucher numbers ending 158102 totaling \$1,037,261.13. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Commissioners recessed to tour the Fire Station and Ambulance Station. John Crosby, Fire Chief, lead the tour in the Fire Station and explained the next step to finish the remodel. Paul Fort, EMS Director, lead the tour at the Ambulance Station. Commissioners granted the EMS Director permission to seek bids for new lighting, flooring and two furnace/air conditioning units.

At 2:30 p.m. commissioners reconvened in the Commissioner Room to meet with Paul Fort, EMS Director. Kevin Shapland made the motion to recess into executive session for 15 minutes with the EMS Director to discuss procedure under the justification of personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The meeting continued in open session after 15 minutes with no action taken.

Commissioners adjourned at 3:00 p.m., to meet again in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on February 19, 2019.



Sheila Brown, County Clerk





Kevin Shapland, Chairman