

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, Kelli Medrano was in attendance. Commissioner Shapland led the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner Stewart provided prayer.

Janet Stewart made the motion to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2020 meeting along with claims against the various funds of the County; payroll total \$135,872.46 dated January 15; voucher numbers ending 160750 totaling \$700,277.68. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart nominated Kevin Shapland to be Chairman of the Commission for 2020. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to set meeting dates and times for 2020 on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month, starting at 9:00 a.m. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to designate Grant County Bank, First National Bank, and Bank of Ulysses as the official depositories. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to designate The Ulysses News as the official newspaper. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to approve agenda items 5-16 of the organizational agenda. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

5. Give County Treasurer the Authority to invest County Funds to the best interest of Grant County;
6. Appoint the Clerk as Chief Purchasing Agent, Federal & State Withholding Tax Agent, Social Security Agent, Kansas Public Employees Retirement System Agent and Insurance Agent for Grant County, as well as Public Information Officer, Freedom of Information Officer, and the Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator;
7. Appoint Randy McCauley Public Works Supervisor;
8. Appoint Christopher Burdette as Noxious Weed Director;
9. Appoint Marilea Honstead as Civic Center Building and Grounds Manager;
10. Appoint Toni Irvin as Health Department Administrator;
11. Appoint Dr. Douglas Johnson as County Health Officer;
12. Appoint Dr. Patrick Barker as Medical Director for EMS;
13. Appoint Don Button as Emergency Management Coordinator;
14. Appoint Paul Fort as Emergency Medical Services Director;
15. Appoint John Crosby as Fire Chief;
16. Appoint O. La-Vonne Michael as Senior Center Director

Kevin Shapland made the motion to set mileage at 58 cents per mile when using personal vehicles for county business. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to approve agenda items 18, a-o of the organizational agenda. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

- a. Lance Babcock for Sheriff's Department, and Juvenile Justice;
- b. Paul Fort for Ambulance and Ambulance Equipment Funds;
- c. John Crosby for Fire and Fire Equipment Funds;
- d. Randy McCauley for Road & Bridge, Special Highway Improvement, Road Machinery, Noxious Weed, Noxious Weed Equipment Funds;
- e. Cindy Wellbrock for Appraiser Fund;
- f. Dana McDaniel Register of Deeds and R.O.D. Technology Funds;
- g. Terri Trotman for Treasurer, Treasurer Technology, Motor Vehicle Funds;
- h. Jessica Akers for Attorney, Prosecutor Training and Diversion Funds;
- i. Don Button for Emergency Management Fund;
- j. Toni Irvin for Health Department Fund;
- k. Marilea Honstead for Park Maintenance Fund;
- l. Chairman of the Fair Board for Fair Fund;
- m. O. La-Vonne Michael for Senior Center Fund;
- n. Chairman of the Airport Board for Airport Fund;
- o. Sheila Brown for all Other Funds

Board Appointments

- a. Board on Aging – Mark McGaughey made the motion to reappoint Bill Stewart, John Nickel and Ray Velasquez to the Board on Aging. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- b. Economic Development Board – Mark McGaughey made the motion to reappoint Jeff Pflingsten to the Economic Development Board. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- c. Library Board – Mark McGaughey made the motion to reappoint Mary Neatherlin to the Library Board of Trustees. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- d. Airport Board – Janet Stewart made the motion to appoint Wyatt Stanley to the Airport Board to fill a vacated position made by Larry Rumburg in 2016. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to approve the T-Hangar Lease Agreement with Wyatt Stanley for Hangar Unit 8A-5. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to authorize an Order for Rebate from the Neighborhood Revitalization fund on the following parcels: Southwest Kansas Housing, LLC, 210 E. Sunflower. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

It was consensus of commissioners to allow the Chamber of Commerce to use the Fire Station Conference Room for Legislative Meetings with the coordination of the Fire Chief.

Reid Borchetta, District Court Clerk, relayed the hard drive in the recording equipment was broken and requested permission to replace the recording units in the large and small Courtrooms. The Court Clerk submitted a sole bid and relayed the Judge requested using the bid from Voice Products since that was the system used in all the Courtrooms of the 26th Judicial District. Janet Stewart made the motion to approve the bid from Voice Products for equipment, installation, and 1-year maintenance at a cost of \$13,345.00, and for this expense to be paid from the Special Equipment fund. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Larry Sharp, Member Service Representative with Kansas County Association Multiline Pool (KCAMP), presented Risk Management Services provided by KCAMP and encouraged the County to take advantage of the services.

Commissioners reviewed a bid for replacement lighting at the County Shop. Mark McGaughey made the motion to approve a purchase of 96 LED lights from MEBulbs at a cost not to exceed \$1,608.96, and for this expense to be paid from the County Building fund. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Commissioners reviewed bids for crushed rock to be used for chip sealing from Huber Sand and Klotz Sand. Kevin Shapland made the motion to accept the lowest bid from Huber Sand, not to exceed 4000 ton, at a cost of \$17.50 per ton. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

A funding request letter from Southwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging was reviewed. Janet Stewart made the motion to appropriate \$1,200.00 to support Southwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Discussion was held on the November 6, 2019 Commissioner Meeting concerning replacing the roof on a building located at 118 E. Nebraska used for Alcoholic Anonymous Counseling. The City of Ulysses solicited and accepted a bid from Chambless Roofing in the amount of \$7,695.00. Kevin Shapland made the motion to pay half on replacing the roof at a cost not to exceed \$3,847.50, and for this expense to be paid from the Alcoholic Treatment fund. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mari Honstead, Civic Center Manager, met with commissioners and requested an executive session. Janet Stewart made the motion to recess into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss an employee's wage under the justification of personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After 10 minutes the meeting continued in open session with no action taken. Next, Ms. Honstead relayed the Rodeo Board would like permission to move the announcer booth/stand and roping chutes. It was consensus of commissioners to allow the Rodeo Board to move the arena around as needed so the setup would be functional. Commissioner Shapland mentioned the arena

needed to be open for 4-H students to start training. The Civic Center Manager stated the arena would be open by March 1st. Lastly, Ms. Honstead relayed the Fair Board would like permission to proceed with adding 14 portable goat pens on half the first feed aisle. Ms. Honstead presented a drawing and stated the Fair Board would contribute \$1,000.00 from Fair budget, the Park Maintenance fund would contribute \$1,000.00 from their budget, if the County would make up the difference from the County Building fund. Kevin Shapland made the motion to allow the Civic Center and Fair Board to add more goat pens at a cost to County Building fund of \$1,712.80. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Kevin Shapland made the motion to adjourn at 11:22 a.m. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Commissioners reconvened at noon for lunch with the City of Ulysses Officials at Bob Wilson Memorial Grant County Hospital Meeting Room. Those attending from the city were: Mayor, Tim McCauley; Council Members, Kenneth Warner, John Duran and Sam Guy; City Administrator, Alan Olson; and City Clerk, Sarah Britton.

Commissioners reconvened at 1:15 p.m. back at the Courthouse Commissioner Room.

Joining the meeting were Board on Aging Members, Bill Stewart, Ray Velasquez, Sherrie Olson, Steve Brom, John Nickel, Pam Gindlesberger, and Ronnie Young.

Kevin Shapland made the motion to recess into executive session for 45 minutes with the Board on Aging Members and County Clerk to discuss an employee's performance under the justification of personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After 45 minutes the meeting continued in open session and the Board on Aging left the meeting. Kevin Shapland made the motion to return to executive session for 20 minutes with the County Clerk to discuss an employee's performance under the justification of personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After 20 minutes the meeting continued in open session with no action taken.

Mark McGaughey made the motion to approve a quote from Perry's Tire and Supply to replace tires on the Senior Citizen small bus at a cost not to exceed \$121.86 per tire plus \$20.00 for mounting and balancing. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Kevin Shapland made the motion to adjourn for the day at 2:45 p.m., to meet again in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on February 6, 2020. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.


Sheila Brown, County Clerk




Kevin Shapland, Chairman