

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

The monthly department head meeting was held with the following in attendance: Dana McDaniel, Register of Deeds; Randy McCauley, Public Works Supervisor; John Crosby, Fire Chief; Paul Fort, EMS Director; Toni Irvin, Health Department Administrator; and Richard Banes, City/County Inspector. Commissioner Shapland announced the retirement of LaVonne Michael, Senior Center Director and welcomed Bill Stewart as interim until a new director could be hired.

Lon Pishny, Candidate for Kansas Senate District 39, stopped in to introduce himself.

Richard Banes, Chairman of the Solid Waste Management Committee, presented recommendations for the 2020 committee members. Discussion was held on which commissioner would be representing commissioners and it was consensus Mark McGaughey would remain for one more year. Kevin Shapland made the motion to adopt the list as presented. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Paul Fort, EMS Director, met with commissioners and requested executive session. Kevin Shapland made the motion to recess into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss an employee's well-being under the justification of personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After 5 minutes the meeting continued in open session with no action taken.

Toni Irvin, Health Department Administrator, presented a Memorandum of Agreement between Grant County Health Department and Marsha Lewis, APRN/NP. There were no changes in the contract. It was the consensus of commissioners to renew the agreement.

Cindy Wellbrock, County Appraiser, requested permission to release Scout Energy tax file to K.E. Andrews, Tax Agent for Scout Energy. She explained the file is owned by Grant County, so it is procedure to get permission before releasing it. It was the consensus of commissioners to release the information.

Randy McCauley, Public Works Supervisor, presented a Noxious Weed Progress Report and Road Crossing Permit which were reviewed and approved. Next, the Public Works Supervisor requested permission to purchase a used sheepsfoot packer. Janet Stewart

made the motion to purchase a used sheepsfoot packer from Steve Taff at a cost not to exceed \$1,800.00, and for this expense to be paid from the Road & Bridge fund. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Thirdly, Steve Heft of Heft and Sons, will make asphalt for \$15.00 a ton this year. It was the consensus of commissioners to contract with Heft and Sons for asphalt. Lastly, the Public Works Supervisor requested permission for two employees to work on a couple Saturdays to make sand. He explained it would take 4,500 ton for the road mix. It was the consensus of commissioners to allow the overtime but kept at a minimum.

Kevin Shapland made the motion to approve Resolution 20-01, a Resolution authorizing participation in the Rural Opportunity Zone Student Loan Repayment Program with a commitment of \$15,000.00 yearly. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

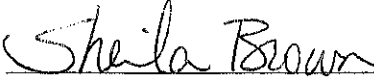
Janet Stewart made the motion to accept the bid from Tim Novack Painting, at a cost not to exceed \$6,600.00 to prepare and stain handrails, baseboards, door jams and windowsills in the Courthouse building, and for this expense to be paid from the Courthouse General fund. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to approve minutes for the January 20, January 29 and January 31, 2020 meetings along with claims against the various funds of the County, payroll total \$136,291.16 dated January 29, 2020; voucher numbers ending 160874 totaling \$696,777.38. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.


Dana McDaniel, Register of Deeds, presented bids to remove and replace carpet around the new retriever in the Register of Deeds Office. Janet Stewart made the motion to allow \$1,211.37 for carpet replacement from J&M Paint and Wallcovering. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Holly Mathes, Library Director, and Shirley Wilson, Board Member met with commissioners. Ms. Mathes explained the men's restroom sewer backed up into the Library building causing damage to the main floor carpet and basement ceiling tiles. KCAMP Insurance will cover the cost of replacing carpet on the main floor continuous areas or another option would be to cut and patch carpet. It was the consensus of commissioners to replace the carpet. Ms. Mathes asked for help moving furniture. Commissioners committed the Road Department to help with moving furniture or the Library could hire workers for the project.

Commissioners adjourned for the day at 11:20 a.m., to meet again in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on February 18, 2020.


Sheila Brown, County Clerk




Kevin Shapland, Chairman