

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 McGaughey provided prayer and Commissioner Shapland led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kevin Shapland made the motion to recess into executive session for 10 minutes with the County Clerk to discuss employee conduct under the justification of personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After 5 minutes the County Clerk left executive session and the EMS Director joined the executive session. After 10 minutes the meeting continued in open session with no action taken.

Paul Fort, EMS Director, presented bids for two new heating/air conditioning units at the Ambulance Station. Janet Stewart made the motion to accept the low bid from Ross of Ulysses at a cost not to exceed \$9,195.00, and for this expense to be paid from the County Building fund. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to approve minutes for the March 5, 2019 meeting along with claims against the various funds of the county, payroll total \$135,345.94 dated March 13; voucher numbers ending 158427 totaling \$188,632.92. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to approve the 2019 GIS Ownership Map Maintenance Contract with Kimball Mapping for a fee of \$8,400.00. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Randy McCauley, Public Works Supervisor, presented the Kansas Department of Transportation Federal funds distribution letter and requested trading all the allocation to state transportation dollars. Kevin Shapland made the motion to exchange the federal funds of \$83,805.71 to state transportation dollars at a 90% rate, exchange \$75,425.14. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Next, road permits were reviewed and approved. Lastly, the Public Works Supervisor questioned the Grant County Purchasing Procedures Policy and his limits to spend budget. Each commissioner expressed their view on expenditures and limits. Commissioner Shapland and Commissioner Stewart decided the Purchasing Procedures Policy could be waived for the Road Department and the Public Works Supervisor should continue as is, if commissioners start to see problems they will let him know.

John Crosby, Fire Chief, presented information on Fire Fighter I, Hazardous Materials Awareness, Hazardous Materials Operations Class and informed commissioners the county that hosts the class pays the college fee and then invoices the other counties that participate. The Fire Chief requested permission to continue with the class. Janet Stewart made the motion to pay the initial invoice of \$13,277.00 to Garden City Community College for the fire fighter training; to invoice Haskell and Stanton Counties for their fire fighters that attended, minus the grant reimbursement from the University of Kansas. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Next,

the City of Ulysses installed the water line, the signs have been hung on the outer building and the painting is almost complete at the new Fire Station.

Bob Wetmore, Executive Co-Director of Great Plains Development Inc. (GPDI), gave a 2019 service update and encouraged commissioners to continue participating. Janet Stewart made the motion to pay GPDI 2019 dues in the amount of \$1,881.50. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The sole quote for stainless steel in the kitchen of the Senior Center was reviewed. It was consensus of commissioners to review the Senior Center building needs. No action was taken on the bid for stainless steel.

Commissioners reviewed an email from Lochner Engineering concerning Airport contracts and fees charged to hangar occupants. It was the consensus of commissioners to ask the Airport Board for their recommendation on contract changes and rental fees. If there are no objections from the Airport Board commissioners will set rental for the new hangars at \$100.00; leave the older hangars at \$70.00; and make no contract revisions at this time.

Commissioners discussed the Road Department cutting a new road from the Airport road to the new hangars. A conference call was held with Bruce Howard to let him know the Farm Cash Lease Contract will be updated with less acreage once the road is in and the field can be measured.

The County Clerk introduced a revised Inclement Weather or Other Emergency Situations Policy for review. Janet Stewart made the motion to adopt the revised Inclement Weather or Other Emergency Situations Policy. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The invoices submitted by Midwest Health for care home improvements were reviewed. Janet Stewart made the motion to approve the disbursement for improvements made at the care home, and for this expense to be paid from the Care Home Memorial fund. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Commissioners recessed and reconvened at 408 S. Court. Randy McCauley, Public Works Supervisor lead a tour of the building. It was consensus of commissioners to allow the Sheriff's Office to use the office, small room and one bay of the building for storage of items associated with crimes.

Commissioners joined the City of Ulysses Officials at noon for a luncheon at Bob Wilson Memorial Grant County Hospital Meeting Room. Those attending from the city were: Mayor, John Battin; Council Members, Jerry Jo Deckert, Larry Velasquez, Sam Guy, and John Duran; Interim City Administrator, Alan Olson; and City Clerk, Sarah Britton. General discussion was held.

Commissioners adjourned at 1:25 p.m., to meet again in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on April 2, 2019.

  
Sheila Brown, County Clerk



  
Kevin Shapland, Chairman