

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with all members and the County Clerk present. JD Neufeld provided prayer and Commissioner Long led the Pledge of Allegiance. Media representatives present: Kellie Euliss, KULY Radio; and Lydia Kautz, Ulysses News.

The monthly department head meeting was held with the following in attendance: Rita Gee, County Treasurer; Jerry Jo Deckert, EMS Director; Randy McCauley, Road Department Administrator; JD Neufeld, Civic Center Manager and Mari Honstead, Office Manager; O'LaVonne Michael, Senior Center Director; John Crosby, Fire Chief; Kristy Frazee, Health Department Administrator; Lance Babcock, Sheriff; Don Button, Emergency Management Coordinator; Mary K. Sullivan, Register of Deeds; and Richard Banes, City/County Inspector.

JD Neufeld, Civic Center Manager, submitted a letter with his retirement date of November 7, 2013. The commissioners thanked Mr. Neufeld for his dedication and service to the County and wished him the best in his retirement.

Commissioners shared a letter from Thomas Hauser resigning from the Airport Board after 20 years, effective December 31, 2013.

Don Button, Emergency Management Coordinator, met with commissioners. Linda McHenry made the motion to reappoint Don Button to the Regional Homeland Security Council for 2014 and 2015; and to accept the recommendation for the 2014 Safety Committee Members – new members, Teresa Ochoa, Pete Clinesmith and Jessica Akers; and continuing members, De Lane and Dana McDaniel. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Richard Banes and Kristy Frazee, Solid Waste Management Committee Members, met with commissioners seeking approval of the 2014 Solid Waste Management Committee Members. It was the consensus of the commissioners to approve the members.

Bob Dale Passini, Economic Development Director, shared information about a conference he attended on unmanned aerial vehicles (drones). Discussion was held on whether the County should sell or lease the Industrial Park property, no action was taken. Mr. Passini informed commissioners the Business Revitalization Program has hit the \$50,000 limit and the board is considering a phase two so the community will continue the beautification and cleanup of businesses in Ulysses.

At 10:30 a.m. the public hearing for the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan was held. Greg Wellbrock, County Appraiser; Rita Gee, County Treasurer; Bob Dale Passini, Economic Development Director, attended the hearing. With no protests being made, Carl Higgs made the motion to adopt Resolution 13-10, a Resolution adopting a Neighborhood

Revitalization Plan and designating all of Grant County as a neighborhood revitalization area. Linda McHenry seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Linda McHenry made the motion to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2013 meeting, along with the claims against the various funds of the county, payroll total \$280,271.46 dates October 16 and October 30; voucher numbers ending 142582 totaling \$1,194,785.17. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Randy McCauley, Public Works Supervisor, met with commissioners. Road crossing permits were presented, which were reviewed and approved. A letter to G.W. Van Keppel accepting the buyback of \$114,000.00 for a 2009 Volvo motor grader was approved by consensus of commissioners. A notice to increase rates from Seward County Landfill motivated a discussion on the Transfer Station 2014 rates. It was the consensus of the commissioners any rate increases must pass down to customers. The County policy on companies not paying/paying late at the Transfer Station was discussed. The commissioners advised Randy to make statements due by the tenth of each month; and not to extend credit to customers that are not paying. Mr. McCauley requested an executive session to discuss personnel. Linda McHenry made the motion to recess into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss matters of non-elected personnel. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Linda McHenry made the motion to lengthen the executive session 8 minutes. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After 18 minutes the meeting continued in open session, with no action taken.

Representative Stephen Alford, stopped in to visit with commissioners. The State's underfunding of the Depletion Trust Funds was discussed. The commissioners encouraged Representative Alford to support crediting to each County's Oil and Gas Valuation Depletion Trust Fund the amount required to resolve the October underfunding.

Jessica Akers, County Attorney, reviewed information given to her from the attorney for Builders Development Corporation concerning the sale of County owned property. It was the consensus of commissioners to pursue covenants on the property located at 300 E. Maize, and then put the property up for auction. Linda McHenry made the motion to sale the property located at 300 E. Maize, Ulysses, at public auction. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The County Attorney requested an executive session to discuss personnel. Linda McHenry made the motion to recess into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss matters of non-elected personnel. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After 5 minutes the meeting continued in open session, with no action taken.

Linda McHenry made the motion in the 2014 budget, to transfer \$35,000.00 from the Courthouse General fund to the Transfer Station fund for personal services. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Carl Higgs made the motion to adopt Resolution 13-11, a Resolution waiving the requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120(a) as they apply to Grant County, and resolving that the

financial statements and reports of the county be prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements as adjusted to show compliance with the cash basis and budget laws of the state. Linda McHenry seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Linda McHenry made the motion to adopt Resolution 13-12, a Resolution to litigate the County's shortfall in the Oil and Gas Depletion Trust Fund. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Carl Higgs made the motion to allow the auction of surplus property on Purple Wave. Linda McHenry seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. A copy of the listing is attached as a part of this record.

The memo from Tom Job, Administrator for KCAMP Insurance, was deliberated. The County Clerk was directed to send an internal memo alerting all departments of the insurance risk with out of state travel in county owned vehicles.


An email sent to commissioners by the Health Department Administrator requesting additional space for the Health Department to set up a lab and weigh room was considered. It was the view of the commissioners the need for office space outweighs the need for storage. The County Clerk was directed to call the Senior Center to request they comply and turn over a room to the Health Department.

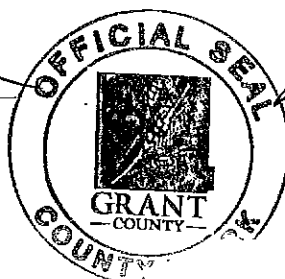
The County's health insurance renewal information for 2014 was reviewed by commissioners. Linda McHenry made the motion to accept the Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Kansas rates for 2014. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The following rate percentage decreases were given: Employee -6.5%; Employee/Child -5.1%; Employee/Spouse -6.5%; and Employee/Dependents -5.6%.


Linda McHenry made the motion to approve a rental agreement with Utility Services Associates Construction Company, Inc. for \$600.00 per month. The property being rented is located at 408 S. Court in Ulysses and will be rented for 6 weeks. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Long recessed the meeting at 12:05 p.m. to meet for lunch at Park View Assisted Living with The Legacy @ Park View Board. Those attending were: Administrator, Kim Doty; Board Members, Kathy Olson, Greg Davis and Larry Kepley.

The commissioners adjourned at 1:15 p.m., to meet again in regular session on November 19, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

  
Sheila Brown, County Clerk



  
Martin Long, Chairman

## PurpleWave

### Road and Bridge:

- 1993 F150 6 cylinder, 5 speed, 99,066 miles
- 1995 GMC K2500, 350 Auto, 246,150 miles
- 1982 John Deere 4440, 5404 hrs
- 1979 John Deere 4840, 4437 hrs
- 3 Point Post Hole Digger with 2 Augers
- 6000 gallon Palmer Gasoline Tank w/ Tape
- 500 Gallon Palmer used oil tank
- 500 Gallon used oil tank
- Snap-On ACT 3000 Refrigerant Recovery Recycling Center
- Snap-On MT 1665 Digital Oscilloscope with Cart
- 3 Wheels – Fits John Deere 770D # AT150956
- Wheel – Fits Caterpillar 140H # 2G5745

### Airport:

Contact: Steve ph# 356-4528

- 1994 Ford Aerostar Van – Engine runs rough, Good tires
- 1984 John Deere – 425 All wheel steer, Engine uses oil, riding mower

### Civic Center:

Contact: Mary ph# 356-1808

- Pullman-Holt DC2000 corded burnisher
- Betco PowerBUFF XT II 27 (w/ charger cord) 27" pad

\*\*\*Both in good condition\*\*\*