

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with all members and the County Clerk present. Commissioner Long led the Pledge of Allegiance. Media present: Lydia Kautz, Ulysses News.

Marietta Hauser, Chamber of Commerce Director, requested reappointment of two board members, until the end of 2014. Linda McHenry made the motion to reappoint Archie DeBruce and Ginger Anthony to the Grant County Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Board. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

After discussion of late fees and minimal amount vouchers, Linda McHenry made the motion to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2014 meeting, along with the claims against the various funds of the county, payroll total \$128,628.53 date February 5; payable voucher numbers ending 143535 totaling \$142,388.37. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Due to the cost of processing checks, it was the consensus of the commissioners that any employee reimbursement should be held until the amount is \$10.00 or more.

Kansas Children's Service League requested the County sponsor a child to visit Topeka for the event "105 Reasons to Prevent Child Abuse". After discussion the commissioners decided not to participate due to budget restraints.

The County Clerk requested permission to pursue searching for an online payment processing system for debit/credit cards and e-check payments for county offices. The commissioners gave their approval to investigate and return at a later meeting.

The commissioners reviewed a proposed update for holidays and hours of pay for holidays. Linda McHenry made the motion to approve the proposed changes to the Holiday's section of the Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

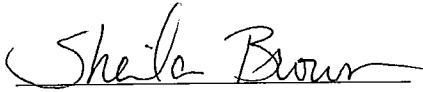
Marilea Honstead, Civic Center Manager, met to open bids for Grant County lawn care. Gray's Yard Service bid \$4,923.00; and A Lawn Service bid \$4,557.00. Carl Higgs made the motion to accept the low bid from A Lawn Service for \$4,557.00. Linda McHenry seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Randy McCauley, Public Works Supervisor, met to open bids to sell a non-running 1969 Chevrolet pickup at the Transfer Station. Linda McHenry made the motion to accept the sole bid from Abner Delay for \$505.00. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Mr. McCauley presented an estimate to fix an emission system on a 2007 Peter Built at the Transfer Station. Commissioners requested Randy visit with the Garden City office where the semi was purchased before fixing. Mr. McCauley requested an executive session to discuss personnel. Linda McHenry made the motion to recess into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss matters of non-elected personnel. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After 30 minutes the meeting continued in open session, with no action taken. The last item discussed was the fees to dispose of tires at

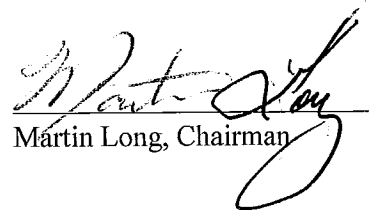
the Transfer Station during spring or fall cleanups. Due to the County's cost of removal, it was the consensus of the commissioners to no longer waive fees for tire disposal at the Transfer Station.

The commissioners considered and approved a letter to be sent to the US Fish and Wildlife Service responding to a notice concerning Stakeholder Conservation Strategy for the Lesser Prairie Chicken listing.

Linda McHenry made the motion to adjourn at 11:00 a.m., to meet again in regular session on March 4, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.


Sheila Brown, County Clerk




Martin Long, Chairman