

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with all members and the County Clerk present. Lydia Kautz, Ulysses News was present. Pastor Nathan Engelman, provided prayer and Commissioner Shapland led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Scott Strom, Business Development Manager for 360 Energy Engineers, gave a presentation on his company and their mission to help entities make public facility improvements. 360 Energy Engineers will assess buildings and report findings free of charge. Later in the day commissioners directed the County Clerk to contact the firm and request they look at the fire station.

Commissioners reviewed a Scale Job Description submitted by Randy McCauley, Public Works Supervisor. Martin Long made the motion to accept the job description as presented. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Martin Long made the motion to rank the Scale Position just under Building Maintenance Worker in the Pay Plan Schedule at a Final Maximum Salary of \$16.66. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Martin Long made the motion to place De Lane in the position of Scale and set her starting wage at 90% of the Final Maximum Salary, and recommended the adjusted pay start with the 1st payroll of the last quarter of 2015. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2015 meeting, along with the claims against the various funds of the county, payroll total \$136,795.98 dated August 5; voucher numbers ending 148155 totaling \$186,712.31. Martin Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

At 9:45 a.m. commissioners held a bid opening for weekly lawn maintenance at the Courthouse, Law Enforcement Center and Library. Kenneth Kern joined this portion of the meeting. Bids were submitted by WV, CMA Services, J&T Services, CJ Lawn Services, Wilmore Services, Morales Lawn Service, and Koehn's Country Gardens. Martin Long made the motion to award the bid, from now through the end of the 2015 mowing season, to Koehn's Country Gardens at a cost of \$500.00 per month. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Next, bids were opened for the mowing at the County's vacant lot located at 300 E. Maize. Bids were submitted by Koehn's Country Garden, Paul Case, CJ Lawn Services, Double K Mowing, J&T Services, WV, and Wilmore Services. Janet Stewart made the motion to award the bid, from now through the end of the 2015 mowing season, to Wilmore Services at a cost of \$195.00 per mowing. Martin Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Bob Dale Passini, Economic Development Director, joined the meeting.

Marilea Honstead, Civic Center Manager, revisited the decision from the previous commissioner meeting concerning property damage at the Civic Center grounds. Ms.

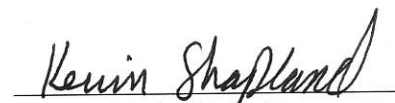
Honstead had an estimate from Teeter Irrigation to repair the damage and it was considerably less than the estimate of damage from the last meeting. It was the consensus of commissioners to accept the \$575.00 estimate from Teeter Irrigation as restitution for damage.

Bob Dale Passini, Economic Development Director, invited commissioners to the Kansas Economic Development Association Fall Conference October 20-21 in Garden City. Commissioners requested an agenda for the conference before making a commitment. Next, Mr. Passini discussed the Grocery Store Project and asked commissioners if they would want to attend an informational meeting with the Economic Development Board and City Council to see if the project should move forward. The commissioners were receptive to the meeting and asked to be notified when a date was set. Lastly, discussion was held on Builders Development Corporation and their lack of progress on the Moderate Incoming Housing Project. The Economic Development Director will contact Mr. Snodgrass concerning the project.

The County Clerk discussed the need for light maintenance at the Courthouse. Commissioner Shapland suggested the Civic Center could continue changing the furnace filters, the outside walkway lights, lights in the Courtroom, and help with snow removal. Commissioner Shapland will visit with the Civic Center Manager concerning the matter.

Janet Stewart made the motion to adjourn at 11:30 a.m., to meet again in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on September 1, 2015. Martin Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.


Sheila Brown, County Clerk


Kevin Shapland, Chairman

