

BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Monday, June 4, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

Commission Chairman Randy Waldorf called the Butler County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were Commissioner Will Carpenter, Commissioner Jeff Masterson, Commissioner Mike Wheeler, Commissioner Dan Woydziak, Administrator Will Johnson, Jr., and Clerk Reporter Tammy Bridges.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Carpenter motioned to approve the minutes of the Butler County Commission Meeting of Tuesday, May 29, 2007 as written. Commissioner Woydziak seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

ITEM #1 – PRESENT BRENDA LOUTHAN, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT ON AGING, WITH A SPOTLIGHT AWARD

Connie Rausch, Department on Aging Director, came before the Board for presentation of a Spotlight Award to Brenda Louthan, Department on Aging. Brenda served as co-chair for the Senior Fair (Spring Fling) held on April 19, 2007 and helped to make the event a success. Commissioner Waldorf congratulated Ms. Louthan and presented her with the Spotlight Award.

ITEM #2 – PRESENT MELODY GAULT, RSVP PROGRAM MANAGER, DEPARTMENT ON AGING, WITH A SPOTLIGHT AWARD

Connie Rausch, Department on Aging Director, came before the Board for presentation of a Spotlight Award to Melody Gault, Department on Aging. Melody was instrumental in making the Senior Fair (Spring Fling) held on April 19, 2007 a success. Commissioner Waldorf congratulated Ms. Gault and presented her with the Spotlight Award.

ITEM #3 – WORK SESSION – WRECKER SERVICE AGREEMENT PROCEDURES – EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

Chris Davis, 911 Director, came before the Board to discuss wrecker service agreement procedures and establishing uniform regulations and fees governing tow service calls generated by Butler County Communications. The Board discussed criteria in order to provide towing service for the county. Mr. Davis said the requirements are a valid KCC license, which entails being insured and bonded and meeting all federal motor carrier rules and regulations. The Board wants to make sure the fees being charged are appropriate and suggested that Mr. Davis think about forming a committee. Chris Davis will schedule a meeting with the wrecker companies to discuss fees then report back to the Commission Board. No action was taken.

ITEM #4 – WORK SESSION – EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS RADIO VOTING SYSTEM

Chris Davis, 911 Director, came before the Board to discuss the Emergency Communications Radio Voting System. New frequencies are causing problems for neighboring radio users including the Butler County Public Works channel and the Winfield Police channel. Both interfering links have been powered off and the department will apply for new frequencies. No action was taken.

RECESS

Commissioner Waldorf recessed the Board meeting at 9:50 a.m. for 5 minutes.

RECONVENE

Commissioner Waldorf reconvened the Board meeting at 9:55 a.m.

ITEM #5 – WORK SESSION – LANDFILL HOURS

Darryl Lutz, P.E., Public Works Director, came before the Board to discuss landfill hours. The hours of operation are 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. The Board discussed closing the landfill at 5:15 p.m. in order to allow staff to secure the landfill and finish working by 5:30 p.m. No action was taken.

Commissioner Woydziak asked about the two overlay projects on Rose Hill Rd. and south of Leon on 170th St. Mr. Lutz said they would start working south of Leon on Wednesday this week for two weeks and then move down to Rose Hill.

ITEM #6 – WORK SESSION – COMMISSION MEETING ON THE ROAD

The Board talked about the commission on the road meetings. The Board will visit Elbing on June 12; Douglass on July 17; Andover on August 21; Rosalia on September 11; and Beaumont on October 9. All meetings are scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m.

ITEM #7 – RECEIVE A REQUEST FOR ANNEXATION FROM THE CITY OF ANDOVER IN ACCORDANCE WITH K.S.A. 12-520 (C) FOR THE AREA KNOWN AS AMI LANE AND ESTABLISH A DATE FOR DISCUSSION

Will Johnson, Administrator, came before the Board with a request for annexation from the City of Andover for the area known as Ami Lane and to set a hearing date of Tuesday, June 19, 2007. The Board discussed annexing to the center of the road and who is responsible for maintaining the road. Staff is to research legislation regarding annexation.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Commissioner Woydziak motioned to approve the vouchers for June 4, 2007 in the amount of \$111,723.80. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board discussed the Robert Johnson nuisance abatement process and appeal hearing that is scheduled for tomorrow's Board meeting.

OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Carpenter and the Board discussed meeting with legislators and forming a tax committee to talk about the tax process including property tax, sales tax and income tax. The Board discussed the valuation process and how the mill levy will be impacted. There was discussion about the tax appraisal system.

Commissioner Woydziak motioned to appoint Mary Staab to the Planning and Zoning Board. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Woydziak left the Board meeting at 11:05 a.m. for another meeting.

Commissioner Waldorf received a letter regarding mobile homes and discussed responsibility for paying the taxes for the entire year going to whoever owns the mobile home on January 1.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Wheeler motioned to adjourn the meeting of the Board at 11:30 a.m.

Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.