

**BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**Tuesday, February 29, 2000**

The Butler County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Commission Chairman, Randy Doll. Present were Commissioners Neal Parrish and Linsey Cutsinger along with County Administrator, Jay Newton and Clerk's Secretary, Tindel Jennison.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Doll moved to approve the minutes of Tuesday, February 22, 2000 as amended. Commissioner Parrish seconded the motion that carried 3-0. (Monday, February 21 was a holiday and the Commission did not meet)

**BUTLER COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. GRANT APPLICATIONS**

Commissioner Parrish moved to approve Butler County Health Department Grant applications for: a.) State Formula Grant, b.) Child Care Licensing, c.) Maternal and Child Health, d.) Family Planning, e.) Chronic Disease Risk Reduction, and f.) HIV/AIDS/HE/RR counsel/testing for a total final request of \$180,992.00 and authorize the chair to sign. Commissioner Doll seconded the motion that carried 3-0.

**RICHLAND TWP. TRUSTEE APPT.**

Commissioner Doll moved to appoint Loren McCune to the position of Richland Township Trustee. Commissioner Parrish seconded the motion that carried 3-0.

**FD #3 TREASURER APPT.**

Commissioner Doll moved to appoint Julie Winslow to the position of Fire District #3 Board Treasurer. Commissioner Parrish seconded the motion that carried 3-0.

**HEALTH DEPT. BLDG OFFICE SPACE LEASE**

Commissioner Doll moved to authorize the County Administrator to extend the Bright Beginnings lease of the Butler County Health Department to include a third office space at the rate of an additional \$230 per month. Commissioner Parrish seconded the motion that carried 3-0.

**SW 70<sup>TH</sup> STREET GEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS**

Commissioner Parrish moved to approve the Terracon Proposal for subsurface geological investigations for the SW 70<sup>th</sup> Street Project between Ohio Street and Santa Fe Lake Road. Commissioner Cutsinger seconded the motion that carried 3-0.

**EL DORADO SEWAGE DISPOSAL AGREEMENT**

Commissioner Cutsinger moved to approve the sewage sludge disposal agreement between the City of El Dorado and Butler County and to authorize the Chair to sign. Commissioner Parrish seconded the motion that carried 3-0.

**HIGHWAY K-196 ROAD CLOSING TO PROVIDE FOR BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION**

Commissioner Doll moved to authorize the County Engineer to proceed with the Draft Agreement with KDOT for the potential closing of K-196 highway to provide for bridge construction. Commissioner Parrish seconded the motion that carried 3-0.

**SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS ASSOC. OF COMMISSIONERS AND ENGINEERS MEETING**

Darryl Lutz visited with the Board about attendance of the South Central Kansas Association of Commissioners and Engineers meeting on Thursday, April 6, 2000 at the Ramada Inn in Hutchinson. Commissioner Parrish will be attending.

**AUGUSTA USE OF COUNTY HWY. SHOP ON OHIO STREET**

Commissioner Parrish moved to authorize the County Administrator to work with the City of Augusta to put together an agreement for the use of the County Highway Shop on Ohio Street by the City of Augusta. Commissioner Cutsinger seconded the motion that carried 3-0.

**MECHANIC CLASSIFICATION CHANGE – ROAD AND BRIDGE**

Commissioner Parrish moved to approve the classification change of Mechanic with minimum of seven years of experience from grade 10 to grade 14, salary change from \$13.00 per hour to \$16.12 per hour. Commissioner Cutsinger seconded the motion that carried 3-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Doll moved to go into Executive Session to discuss legal matters regarding the Special Benefit District in Andover. Commissioner Parrish seconded the motion that carried 3-0.

**REGULAR SESSION**

Commissioner Doll brought the meeting back into Regular Session at 11:00 AM.

**FD #1 CHIEF POSITION**

Joe Robertson, Fire District #1 Board Chairman visited with the Board about selection of a Fire District #1 Fire Chief.

Municipal Study and information received in response to telephone surveys revealed annual salaries of approximately \$45,000 for comparable city and fire districts (budgets, call volume, population served, square miles covered and staff size). Current Fire District #1 salary is on the low end.

Two selected final candidates are requesting \$40,000 and \$45,000 (Butler County pay grade 22. Mr. Robertson presented four options: (1) change the pay grade to grade 22 (2) Remove the Fire Chief position from the pay plan and allow FD #1 to establish its own pay plan (3) Pay the new chief a lump sum "bonus" in excess of current pay range (4) FD #1 will seek legal counsel to determine who has control of the FD - the county or the FD.

The Board responded that there was a difference in figures presented received from the League of Municipalities and the faxed response received from the City of Girard. This was possibly due to the fax being more recent and therefore more accurate information. State Statute requires the Commission Board to set the salary.

The Board requested that the salary information be verified. Based upon the verified information a decision will be made.

KP&F retirement plan was discussed which is a higher salary amount.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Doll moved to go into Executive Session until 12:30 PM to discuss the acquisition of property. Commissioner Parrish seconded the motion that carried 3-0.

**REGULAR SESSION**

Commissioner Doll brought the meeting back into Regular Session at 12:31 PM.

**FINANCIAL ADVISOR**

Commissioner Doll moved to approve the selection of George K. Baum and Associates for the position of Financial Advisor for upcoming County Jail and Judicial Projects.

Commissioner Parrish seconded the motion that carried 3-0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Doll moved to adjourn. Commissioner Cutsinger seconded the motion that carried 3-0.