

**BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**Monday, December 15, 2008**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Commissioner Waldorf motioned to approve the minutes of the Butler County Commission Meetings of Monday, December 8, 2008 and Tuesday, December 9, 2008 as written. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

**ITEM #1 – PRESENTATION OF EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS**

5 Years

Brent Alley – Public Works	Anita McNeal – Clerk’s Office
Margo Clemons – Sheriff/Detention	Thomas Moore, Jr. – Sheriff’s Department
Daniel Flower – Sheriff/Department	Toni Owen – Clerk’s Office
Christopher Gray – EMS	Daniel Paye – Sheriff’s Department
Julie Hokr – Sheriff’s Department	Jason Runnalls - EMS
Charles Jackson – Sheriff/Detention	Amy Sobanek - EMS
Darrell Kohls – EMS	Steven Storm - EMS
Katina Langley – Sheriff/Detention	Ramon Vittitow – Public Works
Christina Lea – Sheriff/Detention	Michael Wheeler – County Commission
Stephen Lovette – Sheriff/Detention	Galen Whitaker – Sheriff/Detention

10 Years

Ann Carpenter – JJA	Theresa Stanphill – Community Corrections
Howard R. Knox – Public Works	Sherri Stenseng – Health Department
Patrick Light – Sheriff’s Department	

15 Years

Lawrence Charles – EMS	Kelly Herzet – Sheriff’s Department
Jamie Downs – Health Department	Melissa Ledford – Community Corrections
Kathleen Guy – Emergency Management	Charles McGuire – Community Corrections

20 Years

Robert Bartlett – Sheriff’s Department  
Christopher Davis – Emergency Communications  
Marvin Evans – Public Works

25 Years

Bryan Nolan – Public Works

30 Years

Geraldine Marsh – Sheriff’s Department

Commissioner Woydziak thanked everyone for their dedicated years of service and stated that he appreciates everything they do on behalf of Butler County.

**ITEM #2 – CONSIDER APPROVAL OF NEW RECORD RETRIEVAL EQUIPMENT FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY’S OFFICE**

Jan Satterfield, County Attorney, came before the Board for approval of new record retrieval equipment for the County Attorney's Office.

***Commissioner Woydziak motioned to authorize the County Attorney's Office to expend \$11,205 on the proposed record retrieval system. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.***

**ITEM #3 – RECEIVE AND OPEN BIDS FOR CORRUGATED METAL PIPE CULVERTS FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Darryl Lutz, P. E., Director of Public Works, came before the Board to receive and open bids for corrugated metal pipe culverts for the highway department. Bids were received from:

J & J Metal Products, Paola	\$15,042.10
J & J Drainage Products, Hutchinson	\$26,403.00
Arnold & Harvey Seed Co., Leon	\$15,381.54
D & C Wholesale, El Dorado	\$20,362.22
Welborne Sales, Salina	\$17,444.00
Metal Culverts, Jefferson City, MO	\$14,331.28

***Commissioner Wheeler motioned to receive the pipe culvert bids and to direct the County Engineer to tabulate and review the bids and to return at a later date with a recommendation for action regarding the award of bid. Commissioner Waldorf seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.***

**ITEM #4 – WORK SESSION – WIND FARM GRANT APPLICATIONS**

Administrator Johnson came before the Board to discuss Wind Farm grant applications. Administrator Johnson stated that after reviewing the applications, two do not meet the criteria; Smart Start of Butler County and Camp Invention of Bluestem Elementary. Two projects do meet the criteria; Rose Hill Recreation Commission (\$5,500) and the World War II History Center (\$24,600) for a total of \$30,100.

Commissioner Carpenter stated that in the future the commission could look at changing the requirements to allow start-up funds for worthwhile projects to better utilize the money for the people of Butler County. Commissioner Woydziak commented that they would take Commissioner Carpenter's suggestion into account at the next retreat.

***Commissioner Waldorf motioned to approve funding from the wind farm funds for the World War II History Center not to exceed \$24,600 and the Rose Hill Recreation Commission not to exceed \$5,500. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion.***

Commissioner Waldorf wanted to add to the motion that approval was contingent on the History Center providing proof that these are not leasehold improvements. The Board discussed not funding leasehold improvements, and as such, wanted to reduce the amount from \$24,600 to \$22,100. Commissioner Waldorf withdrew the previous motion. Administrator Johnson confirmed that the approval is only for physical improvements for equipment that can be moved with them to a new facility and does not include leasehold improvements.

*Commissioner Waldorf motioned to approve funding from the wind farm funds for the Rose Hill Recreation Commission in an amount not to exceed \$5,500 and the WWII History Center in an amount not to exceed \$22,100 with no leasehold improvements. Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

Administrator Johnson updated the Board on the 2007 wind farm projects.

**ITEM #5 – RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONFIDENTIAL DATA RELATING TO FINANCIAL AFFAIRS OF TRADE SECRETS OF CORPORATIONS, PARTNERSHIPS, TRUSTS, AND INDIVIDUAL PROPRIETORSHIPS, TO PROTECT DATA CONFIDENTIAL IN NATURE TO A BUSINESS FOR A BUSINESS PROSPECT IN BUTLER COUNTY**

*Commissioner Wheeler motioned to recess the Board to Executive Session at 10:00 a.m. for 15 minutes, with the public session resuming at 10:15 a.m., to discuss confidential data relating to financial affairs of trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships to protect data confidential in nature to a business for a business prospect in Butler County. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Those in attendance were Commissioners Carpenter, Masterson, Waldorf, Wheeler, Woydziak, Administrator Will Johnson, Economic Development Director David Alfaro, and Commissioner-elect Bruce Harris.*

**RECONVENE**

Commissioner Woydziak reconvened the Board meeting at 10:20 a.m. No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**

*Commissioner Waldorf motioned to approve the vouchers for December 15, 2008 in the amount of \$437,768.32. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

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

Commissioner Carpenter brought up adding a mill levy function for the landfill back into the budget. He feels the landfill is a benefit to the county and everyone should pay their fair share.

Administrator Johnson stated that there is a dispute between individuals in Andover regarding possession of two garages that are on county-owned property. Commissioner Woydziak suggested offering lease agreements to each individual for \$1,500 per year. The agreements are to be signed by January 1, 2009 or the property will have to be vacated by February 1, 2009. The Board agreed.

David Alfaro, Economic Development Director, updated the Board on the railroad property in Andover and Augusta.

Commissioner Woydziak stated that home sales for January through October in 2007 were 1,993 and sales for January through October of 2008 are 2,054. Building permits for 2007 were 1,381 and as of November 10, 2008, building permits total 1,513.

Commissioner Woydziak stated that he would not be able to attend the Commission meeting on Monday, December 22, 2008.

Administrator Johnson defined some terms in the Manatron Agreement.

***Commissioner Masterson motioned to approve the contract with Manatron for Appraisal Services. Commissioner Waldorf seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-2. Commissioners Carpenter and Wheeler voted no.***

Administrator Johnson discussed the request by the City of El Dorado to add a property back into the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP). The Board agreed to let them back in the NRP.

Administrator Johnson commented that there is a Recycling meeting tonight in Benton at 7:00 p.m.

Administrator Johnson noted that the State has declared Friday, December 26, 2008 a state holiday. The Board discussed conducting a regular business day on Christmas Eve if the Commissioners decide to make Friday, December 26 a holiday this year.

***Commissioner Waldorf motioned to make Friday, December 26, 2008 a County Holiday. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-1. Commissioner Carpenter voted no.***

Administrator Johnson noted that the Board would revisit the Cost of Living Allowance next week.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

***Commissioner Waldorf motioned to adjourn the meeting of the Board at 10:55 a.m. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.***