

BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, December 2, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Wheeler motioned to approve the minutes of the Butler County Commission Meetings of Monday, November 24, 2008 and Tuesday, November 25, 2008 as written. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM #1 – CONSIDER AND MAKE RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY OF AUGUSTA REGARDING WHETHER THE APPLICATION BY BETTY SILLS TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 69 ACRES IN THE AUGUSTA EXTRATERRITORIAL AREA FROM AN AG-2 AGRICULTURAL ZONING CLASSIFICATION TO AN R-6-D RESIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION WOULD BE IN CONFORMANCE TO THE BUTLER COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Rod Compton, Planning & Zoning Director, came before the Board to make a recommendation to the City of Augusta whether the proposed rezoning would be in conformance to the Butler County Comprehensive Plan. Betty Sills is requesting a zoning classification of R-6-D, which is a residential classification for lots between 20 and 39.99 acres in size. This will be before the Augusta Planning Commission next week. Staff feels this request would be compatible with the other uses in the area and is in conformance with the comprehensive plan.

Commissioner Waldorf motioned to find that the rezoning application would be in conformance with the Butler County Comprehensive Plan and authorize staff to send a letter to the Augusta City Planning Commission signifying the same. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM #8 – CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF EL DORADO REQUESTING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BUTLER COUNTY TO MAKE CERTAIN FINDINGS REGARDING THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY

Will Johnson, County Administrator, came before the Board for approval of a request by Tom McKibban to island annex his property located north of the city limits and on the east side of Highway 77.

Commissioner Wheeler motioned to recommend approval of the annexation request by the City of El Dorado in accordance to K.S.A. 12-520c and allow the Chair to sign the annexation order for approval of said request. Commissioner Waldorf seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM #2 – WORK SESSION – WINDFARM FUNDING PRESENTATIONS

A. SMART START OF BUTLER COUNTY

Dale Towers, on behalf of the Butler County Child and Family Development Task Force, and Audra Kennison, Rainbows United/Smart Start, came before the Board for a presentation and to request \$24,612 to be paid from the Wind Farm funds.

B. WORLD WAR II HISTORY CENTER FOUNDATION

Cathy Debbrecht, WWII History Center, came before the Board to present a request for \$24,600 to be paid from the Wind Farm funds.

C. ROSE HILL RECREATION COMMISSION

Troy Moree, Superintendent/Rose Hill Recreation Commission, came before the Board to request \$5,500 from the Wind Farm funds.

D. CAMP INVENTION AT BLUESTEM ELEMENTARY

Debbie Webster, Principal of Leon Elementary School, and Angie Baker, Bluestem USD 205, came before the Board to request \$8,188 to be paid from the Wind Farm funds.

The Board will discuss these applications and return next week with a recommendation.

RECESS

Commissioner Masterson recessed the Board meeting at 9:50 a.m. for 10 minutes.

RECONVENE

Commissioner Masterson reconvened the Board meeting at 10:00 a.m.

ITEM #3 – CONSIDER APPROVAL TO ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT ON AGING TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR NEW OFFICE FURNITURE FOR THE BUTLER COUNTY DEPARTMENT ON AGING

Crystal Noles, Department on Aging, came before the Board for approval to solicit bids for new office furniture. Ms. Noles stated that the Department on Aging has never purchased office furniture. Their current furniture has been acquired from other departments.

Commissioner Carpenter motioned to allow the Department on Aging to solicit bids for office furniture. Commissioner Waldorf seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM #4 – CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE TASER WEAPON SYSTEM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,271.75

Sheriff Craig Murphy came before the Board for approval to purchase 35 TASERS and equipment needed to operate and sustain the units in the amount of \$35,271.75. The TASERS would be distributed to the jail, court security, and individual road patrolmen. Don Currier, Sheriff Department, stated that safety is the number one priority and with the tasers, the officer doesn't have to get close to the suspect. Also, medical bills and workman's comp insurance would be reduced. Captain Currier informed the Board that the department would be submitting an application next year for a grant for audio/visual equipment for the patrol cars.

Commissioner Carpenter motioned to allow the Butler County Sheriff's Department to purchase 35 TASERS for the TASER weapon system in the amount of \$35,271.75. Commissioner Waldorf seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM #5 – CONSIDER APPROVAL TO ADOPT THE 1997 UBC FEE SCHEDULE AT 100% OF THE SUGGESTED BUILDING PERMIT FEE

Mark Detter, Finance Director, came before the Board for approval to adopt the 1997 UBC Fee Schedule.

Commissioner Carpenter motioned to authorize staff to utilize the 1997 UBC fee schedule at 100% of the suggested building permit fee effective January 1, 2009. Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM #6 – CONSIDER APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH NORTH AMERICAN BANCARD FOR MERCHANT CARD SERVICES

Mark Detter, Finance Director, came before the Board for approval to enter into negotiations with North American Bancard for Merchant Card Services. Six proposals were received from various banks and merchants. North American Bancard's fee to the residents is significantly less than the others and there is no fee for the machines. North American Bancard will charge a 2.5% fee for debit or credit card usage. Darryl Lutz, Director of Public Works, stated that this may change the way the charge accounts are handled at the landfill.

Commissioner Waldorf motioned to authorize staff to begin contract negotiations with North American Bancard for merchant card services and request that the contract is brought back to the County Commission for approval. Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-1. Commissioner Carpenter voted no.

ITEM #7 – CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN AWARD OF BID TO JOHN K FISHER FOR THREE PASSENGER VEHICLES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,588

Will Johnson, County Administrator, came before the Board for approval to purchase county vehicles from John K. Fisher. Scheduled for purchase this year are replacement vehicles for Community Corrections, Planning & Zoning, and the County Health Department. Costs for purchase will be paid from individual departments as follows: Health Department \$10,731, Community Corrections \$10,942, and Planning and Zoning \$14,834.

Commissioner Waldorf motioned to accept the recommendation of bids and allow for the purchase of county vehicles from John K. Fisher. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Darryl Lutz, Director of Public Works, came before the Board for approval to award bids for snow plow blades. Five vendors submitted bids. Staff indicated the Board had interest in purchasing from D-C Wholesale, a local company, but the second lower bid from them did not meet specifications. Mr. Lutz stated that they would like to purchase one blade from D-C Wholesale and the others from Foley Equipment.

Commissioner Waldorf motioned to approve the purchase of snow plow blades in the amount of \$14,021.76 from Foley Equipment in Salina and \$1,392.50 from D-C Wholesale in El Dorado. Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Commissioner Masterson motioned to approve the vouchers for December 1, 2008 in the amount of \$499,520.04. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

COMMISSION ADS & ABATES

Commissioner Waldorf motioned to approve Adds & Abates #2371 dated December 1, 2008; Adds in the amount of \$1,030.84 and Abates in the amount of \$5,771.90. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

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

Commissioner Waldorf and the Board discussed the applications for wind farm funding.

Commissioner Masterson informed the Board of an informal meeting tomorrow with an attorney for Minneha Township regarding leasing property on Hwy 54 east of Andover for a township yard.

Administrator Johnson reminded the Board of the REAP meeting on Monday, December 8 at 8:00 a.m. in Maize.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Waldorf motioned to adjourn the meeting of the Board at 11:10 a.m. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.