

BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, March 18, 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 Mike Wheeler, Administrator Will Johnson, Jr., and Clerk Recorder Paula Stoskopf. Commissioner Randy Waldorf was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Masterson noted that on Monday, March 10th, the vote to approve the Contract with ABL was 3-2 not 5-0 with Commissioner's Waldorf and Woydziak voting no.

Commissioner Wheeler motioned to approve the minutes of the Butler County Commission Meetings of Monday, March 10, 2008 as amended and Tuesday, March 11, 2008 as written. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM #1 – CONSIDER APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID FROM ENERSPECT MEDICAL FOR 8 PHILLIPS HEARTSTART MRX MONITORS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$152,094.80

Grant Helferich, Director of EMS, came before the Board for approval of the low bid from Enerspect Medical for 8 Phillips Heartstart MRX monitors in the amount of \$152,094.80.

Commissioner Carpenter motioned to recommend approval of the low bid from Enerspect Medical for 8 Phillips Heartstart MRX monitors in the amount of \$152,094.80. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM #2 – CONSIDER APPROVAL TO ALLOW THE EMS DEPARTMENT TO REQUEST BIDS ON A REPLACEMENT VEHICLE FOR THE EMS SUPERVISOR

Grant Helferich, Director of EMS, came before the Board for approval to request bids on a replacement vehicle for the EMS Supervisor.

Commissioner Masterson motioned to recommend the EMS Department to accept bids for a replacement EMS Supervisor vehicle. Bids to be received on Tuesday, April 8, 2008. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Wheeler inquired of Mr. Helferich regarding the status of Mental Health Transports in the County. Mr. Helferich stated that he would be meeting with law enforcement and the hospitals concerning this matter to see what changes could and should take place. The Board asked Mr. Helferich to keep them informed.

ITEM #3 – CONSIDER APPROVAL TO ALLOW COMPUTER SERVICES TO REPLACE THE COPIER IN THE GIS/MAPPING DEPARTMENT WITH A NEWER MODEL

Scott Stoskopf, Computer Services Director, came before the Board for approval to allow Computer Services to replace the color copier in GIS/Mapping with a newer model that will better fit the needs of the GIS/Mapping Department.

Commissioner Wheeler motioned to authorize Computer Services to purchase a replacement copier from DocuForce (RK Black) for a price of \$6,400.00 with trade-in, to be funded from Capital Improvement. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM #4 – CONSIDER APPROVAL TO ALLOW THE COUNTY APPRAISER TO CONTRACT SERVICES WITH TEAM CONSULTING AS THE BEST BID FOR AN ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL REVIEW OF THE APPRAISER’S OFFICE

Elysa K. Lovelady, Butler County Appraiser, came before the Board for approval to contract services with TEAM Consulting as the best bid for the services offered for an Organizational and Procedural Review of the Appraiser’s Office. The funds to support this request are available within the County Appraiser’s budget. The fee is not to exceed \$33,500.00. After much discussion, the Board concurred that this money could be better spent to train and hire individuals to work in this department and to better compensate those already hired for the jobs they are doing. The Board asked Ms. Lovelady to review this request and to come back to the Board at a later date with a different option regarding the request for a Procedural Review.

RECESS

Commissioner Woydziak recessed the Board meeting at 9:57 a.m. for 5 minutes.

RECONVENE

Commissioner Woydziak reconvened the Board meeting at 10:05 a.m.

ITEM #5 – WORK SESSION – BUTLER COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

David A. Alfaro, Director of BCED, came before the Board to update the Board regarding companies who are wishing to expand in the area as well as new businesses that are considering bringing their businesses to Butler County. Mr. Alfaro voiced his concern regarding the recent push by the City of Wichita to build a new estimated \$4 Million Theatre for the Diamond W Wranglers in Cowtown. Staff feels this is a violation of the GWEDC Protocols and the Cross-County Prospect Handling and will have a major affect on the Prairie Rose Supper Club. Staff has visited with the staff of the City of Wichita about this issue and it is felt that it would be important to seek the opportunity to sit down and express our concerns and the impact this would have on the Rose. Mr. R. Greg Johnson, owner of the Prairie Rose Supper Club, came before the Board to express his concerns on this matter. He stated that he has no problem with the Diamond W Wranglers. The Wranglers are scheduled to perform at the Rose on April 3rd. His concern lies with the fact that a government funded facility would be competing against a private facility. He stated that he doesn’t want to see Cowtown fail. He personally has old family ties to Cowtown. Mr. Johnson feels that the City of Wichita should be looking to develop a business that would compliment the Rose, not compete with it. The Board concurred with Mr. Johnson and Mr. Alfaro that the main focus with this issue is that of government monies competing against the private sector. Mr. Alfaro asked for the Board’s permission for he and Administrator Johnson to draft a letter regarding this matter and present it to them on Monday, March 24th for approval. The Board concurred. The City of Wichita discussed this matter in their meeting on March 4th. Mr. Alfaro stated that he would provide the Board with either a link to view the Wichita City Council

Meeting on March 4th or provide them with a copy of the minutes from that meeting. The Board concurred that this matter should be made a priority.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Commissioner Wheeler motioned to approve the vouchers for March 18, 2008 in the amount of \$248,244.93. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVAL OF ADDS AND ABATES

Commissioner Wheeler motioned to approve Adds & Abates #2340 dated March 18, 2008. Adds in the amount of \$0.00 and Abates in the amount of \$117,715.38. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

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

Commissioner Carpenter noted that burning season is coming up. He asked if the Board could have a review of the required regulations. Administrator Johnson stated that he would invite Ray and Chris to come before the Board to review the regulations.

Administrator Johnson stated that he would be sending a letter to the Fire Chiefs to remind them of the appropriate uses of the County Fire facilities.

Administrator Johnson presented to the Board bids to be opened for shirts for the Public Works Department. Bids were received from Concepts Creations; Augusta & Wells Designs; El Dorado.

Commissioner Carpenter motioned to receive bids for shirts for the Public Works Department and direct Staff to bring back a recommendation. Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Woydziak stated the Quad County Meeting on March 17th was a good meeting.

Administrator Johnson brought to the Board a request from Norm Manley to drop the District Court action against the Johnson property in Rosalia. Mr. Johnson recommended granting this request due to the positive steps taken towards this property by Mark Johnson. The Board concurred.

Administrator Johnson informed the Board that the elevation levels taken at the Harms property appear to be off by about two feet to enable the gravity flow option. Staff will continue to research options for this matter. Mr. Johnson stated he would be scheduling a time with Darryl Lutz and Mrs. Harms to go out and physically look at the property site.

Commissioner Wheeler requested an update regarding the College Acres sewer situation.

Administration Johnson informed the Board that the Rosalia Senior Citizens Board requested \$360.00 to help cover an increase in electrical costs at their Community Center. They had requested this at budget time, however their request was overlooked. Due to the fact that they turned back \$800 last year, Mr. Johnson felt their request should be honored.

Administrator Johnson asked the Board to make the reappointments of Kerri Loucks and Karri Schenker to the Flinthills Services Board of Directors.

Commissioner Wheeler motioned to reappoint Kerri Loucks and Karri Schenker to the Flinthills Services Board of Directors. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Masterson motioned to adjourn the meeting of the Board at 11:49 a.m. Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioners attended the Annual Township Meeting at the El Dorado Civic Center following adjournment