

BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, June 18, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Ed Myers called the Butler County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:01 a.m. Present were Commissioner Jeff Masterson, Commissioner Dan Woydziak, Commissioner Mike Wheeler, County Administrator Will Johnson, and Clerk Recorder Chelsea Noel. Commission Chairman Marc Murphy was absent.

INVOCATION

Pastor Jordan Friesen, First Baptist Church, El Dorado, presented the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Woydziak provided the following amendment to be added to the IPS discussion: Commissioner Woydziak visited the property and he did see a noticeable improvement.

Commissioner Myers provided the following amendment: Change the name Commissioner Myers to Commissioner Murphy in the second motion of the IPS discussion.

Commissioner Woydziak motioned to approve the minutes of the Butler County Commission meeting from Tuesday, June 11, 2019 with the above amendments. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Commissioner Myers discussed a letter that was sent to the County Commission and the Treasurer's Office from Nancy Hofstetter. Ms. Hofstetter expressed frustration and concerns about paying a five dollar facility fee in the Motor Vehicle Department. Commissioner Myers noted the concerns Ms. Hofstetter expressed and inquired about the possibility of lowering the facility fee. Administrator Johnson stated the Motor Vehicle Department is not a tax subsidized entity by the County and he does not think they can adjust the fees and keep the current staff level.

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ITEM #2 – WORK SESSION – LANDFILL FEE SCHEDULE INCREASE

Darryl Lutz, Public Works Director, came before the Board to discuss implementation of a proposed fee increase for MSW waste, special waste and construction and demolition waste at the Butler County landfill. During budget presentations to the Board of County Commissioners in 2018 the Director of Public Works and the County Administrator discussed raising the landfill fees in 2019. Letters were sent to all the cities in Butler County to incorporate a possible \$1 per ton increase in waste disposal fees for MSW and C&D waste into their respective operating budgets. The fee increases have not been implemented. The last fee increases were implemented January 1, 2013 with a \$1 per ton increase for MSW and C&D waste. Staff is proposing to implement the planned \$1 per ton increase for MSW and C&D wastes in July 2019 and discuss another \$1 increase for 2020 to match proposed operating costs and to build some cash reserves. Information was presented to the Board during the meeting for review and discussion. A \$1 per ton increase will generate approximately \$60,000 per year. Commissioner Wheeler commended

Mr. Lutz and stated he has always been very impressed with the smooth running operations at the landfill. No action was taken.

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VOUCHERS

Commissioner Myers asked questions of the vouchers.

Commissioner Woydziak motioned to approve vouchers for June 18, 2019 in the amount of \$361,129.64. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

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COMMISSION ADDS & ABATES

Commissioner Woydziak motioned to approve Adds & Abates #2730 dated June 18, 2019; Adds in the amount of \$303.36 and Abates in the amount of \$2,598.46. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

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

Commissioner Myers discussed a construction overlay project on NW 150th Street.

Administrator Johnson introduced the new Butler County Human Resources Director, Sherry Hoelker, to the Board.

Administrator Johnson stated budget hearings with staff start on Monday, June 24th.

Quad Counties is Monday, June 24th at the El Dorado State Park Shooting Range.

Commissioner Wheeler stated he will be gone on Tuesday, July 2nd.

Administrator Johnson stated he will be out of the office on Thursday, June 20th.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Masterson motioned to recess to Executive Session under the following exceptions to the Kansas Open Meetings Act starting at 10:00 a.m. the public session resuming at 10:15 a.m. this 18th day of June 2019 for preliminary discussions relating to the acquisition of real property, to protect the interests of the County. Commissioner Woydziak seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. Present were Commissioner Masterson, Commissioner Myers, Commissioner Wheeler, Commissioner Woydziak, County Administrator Johnson and County Engineer Darryl Lutz. No action was taken as a result of the Executive Session.

ITEM #1 – RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION PROCESS APPROVAL

Darryl Lutz, Public Works Director, came before the Board for approval to proceed with right-of-way acquisition for upcoming roadway improvement and bridge replacement projects for SW Butler Road and SW 150th Street. The County is also getting close to the ROW acquisition stage for a bridge replacement project on SW Haverhill Rd at the Little Walnut River Pony Truss and for a roadway improvement project on SW Butler Rd from K-254 north to Parallel. Staff requested that maximum land values be established for the subject projects. In addition to

establishing values for land, staff requests authority to establish compensation for damages to existing improvements such as fences, crops and landscaping.

Commissioner Woydziak motioned to approve land acquisition compensation values as recommended for project right-of-way acquisition, to authorize the Director of Public Works to approve estimates of just compensation based upon approved values and to authorize the County Administrator to approve the Offers to Purchase for Right-of-way for Project No. 8C-4942-01, the SW Butler Rd Improvement Project at SW 150th St., for Project No. 8C-4935-01, the SW Butler Rd Improvement Project from K-254 to Parallel and for Project No. BR 4E7-28-5(19), the Little Walnut River Pony Truss Bridge Project on SW Haverhill Rd. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

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ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Woydziak motioned to adjourn the meeting of the Board at 10:17 a.m. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

The Commissioners attended a luncheon at the Augusta Senior Center at 11:15 a.m.