

BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, October 15, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Commission Chairman Marc Murphy called the Butler County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were Commissioner Jeff Masterson, Commissioner Ed Myers, Commissioner Mike Wheeler, Commissioner Dan Woydziak, County Administrator Will Johnson, and Clerk Recorder Chelsea Noel.

INVOCATION

Tom Carruthers, First Christian Church, El Dorado, presented the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Myers provided the following amendment: strike the following from the motion of Item #6, “modifications to the expired agreement with Waste Link, Inc. for.” Commissioner Myers motioned to approve the minutes of the Butler County Commission meeting from October 8, 2019, with the above amendment. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0-1. Commissioner Wheeler abstained due to his absence last week.

(00:02:52)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

(00:02:59)

ITEM #1 – OPEN BIDS FOR THE FLOORING REPLACEMENT AT THE NEW ELECTRONIC MONITORING PROGRAM (EMP) BUILDING

Dan Ingalls, Facilities Management Director, came before the Board to open bids for the flooring replacement at the EMP building. Following are the bids received:

Village Decorative	\$14,270.28
Caravan Carpet & Tile	\$8,383.45

Commissioner Masterson motioned to accept the bids received and directed staff to evaluate the bids and come back at a later date with a recommendation for action. Commission Chairman Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Dan Ingalls, Facilities Management Director, came before the Board and recommended to award the bid for the flooring replacement at the EMP building to Caravan Carpet and Tile in the amount of \$8,383.45.

Commissioner Masterson motioned to approve the award of bid to Caravan Carpet & Tile in the amount of \$8,383.45. Commissioner Woydziak seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

(00:04:41)

ITEM #2 – MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH CHILD START

Jamie Downs, Health Department Director, came before the Board for approval of a MOU between the Butler County Health Department and Child Start. Child Start is a local non-profit organization focused on early learning for lifelong success. They work with child care providers

to ensure quality care for our community's children and administer the Head Start programs in Butler and Sedgwick Counties. One dollar invested in high quality early childhood education produces a seven fold return on investment. This helps our children do better in school while making them more likely to attend college and less likely to be involved in the criminal justice system. The County has been providing the services requested by Child Start since 2013 and Child Start has requested an update to the MOU. The pricing included in the MOU is the current pricing for services by the Health Department. The MOU has language indemnifying each party and has termination language to allow for termination of the agreement with 30 days-notice. The MOU is similar to the past MOU and does not add any additional services than what is already provided for by the Health Department. Commissioner Myers noted his concerns with (Amended by Commissioner Myers to change Child Start to Head Start) ~~Child~~ Head Start and referenced a mandated study that was conducted in 1998 on the long term results of the ~~Child~~ Head Start program. The study resulted in minimal results of a positive impact on children. Commissioner Myers stated overall he was somewhat skeptical that ~~Child~~ Head Start has had a positive impact on children and thinks there may be other alternatives.

Commissioner Woydziak motioned to approve the MOU between the Butler County Health Department and Child Start and authorized the Chair to sign. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-1. Commissioner Myers opposed.

GOVERNMENT DAY ACTIVITIES

Note: The recording of this meeting was paused during transitions of classes to and from the Commission meeting. High school senior government classes from Augusta, Berean Academy (Elbing), El Dorado, Flinthills (Rosalia), and Remington (Whitewater), visited the Courthouse to learn about various county department roles including the County Commission meetings. Commission Chairman Marc Murphy, Vice Chairman Ed Myers, Commissioner Mike Wheeler, Commissioner Jeff Masterson and Commissioner Woydziak introduced themselves, described the district they represent, and explained their job serving the residents of Butler County. Following the tour, all students received lunch at the Butler County Community Building and a tour of the Detention Facility. The Commissioners were invited to attend. No action was taken.

(00:14:52)

ITEM #4 – CULVERT LETTING #74 – NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Darryl Lutz, Public Works Director, came before the Board for approval of a Notice to Contractors for Culvert Letting #74, for the construction of four reinforced concrete box structures throughout Butler County. Annually, Butler County replaces several ~~county~~ (Amended by Commissioner Myers to read “bridge-sized”) drainage structures on Township and County roads with the assistance and participation of the Townships. Each year approximately thirty structures are requested for replacement by Townships with most of the structures being eligible.

Commissioner Myers motioned to approve the Notice to Contractors for Culvert Letting #74 for the construction of four reinforced concrete box structures throughout Butler County and setting the letting date for 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 19, 2019, and authorized the Chair to sign. Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

(00:20:18)

ITEM #3 – WASTE DISPOSAL AGREEMENT RENEWAL FOR OUT OF COUNTY TRASH

Darryl Lutz, Public Works Director, came before the Board to discuss modifications to the Waste Link agreement to replace the expired agreement for receiving out of County trash. Waste Link is merging with Air Capital Waste and both companies will operate under a new name. The current agreement with Waste Link allows a maximum waste intake of 130 tons per day. Waste Link is currently delivering approximately 70 ton per day of waste to the landfill and the merger is expected to bring the waste intake up to 130 ton per day. The merger of the two companies in conjunction with projected growth is anticipated to eventually bring the waste intake up to a level of 200 tons per day or more. The Butler County Department of Public Works would like to increase the waste intake limit for period of time to allow the new company to explore other options if necessary for managing waste disposal as they continue to grow. An increase of waste intake of seventy tons per day has the potential to produce an additional \$13,000 per week (\$675,000 per year) of gross revenues. The primary modifications are listed in section four of the agreement. Mr. Lutz stated they are proposing to stipulate 90% of the 130 tons per day and that would allow them to study the impact of the additional impact on the life of the landfill and the ability to serve the County. There is a provision in the agreement that Waste Link will provide a ninety day notification period to the County if they choose to pursue other options. Mr. Lutz stated he would like the Board to review this agreement and provide more feedback at a later date but would like to have an agreement in place by the end of the year. *No action was taken.*

Commissioner Woydziak left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

(00:31:20)

VOUCHERS

Commissioner Myers asked questions of the vouchers.

Commissioner Masterson motioned to approve vouchers for October 15, 2019, in the amount of \$1,100,992.35. Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

(00:36:38)

COMMISSION ADDS & ABATES

There were no Adds & Abates.

(00:36:40)

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

Commissioner Wheeler stated he will not be at the Commission meeting next week.

Commissioner Myers reminded the Board about the Towanda Senior Center luncheon tomorrow at 11:45 am.

Commission Chairman Murphy stated he will not be able to make it to the Towanda Senior Center luncheon tomorrow.

Administrator Johnson stated canvassing will be November 12th and asked if the entire Board of Commissioners could be present.

Administrator Johnson stated he would be out of the office beginning October 17th.

Administrator Johnson stated the Extension Office elections are being held today.

(00:40:36)

ADJOURNMENT

*Commissioner Masterson motioned to adjourn the meeting of the Board at 11:35 a.m.
Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.*