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OF THE CHASE COUNTY, KANSAS

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

September 29, 2023

September 29, 2023, at 9:00 am; Anthony Hazelton-Chairman, Matt Miller-Vice Chairman, Alan Phipps-member and Connie Pretzer-County Clerk assembled in the Chase County Commission Chambers. Hazelton opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

County Appraiser Andy Durbin informed the BOC of repairs needed to the 2013 Ford explorer with an estimated amount of $2500. Commissioners gave their approval for the repairs to be funded by the County Equipment fund.

***Motion for 20 minutes of executive session to discuss non-elected personnel at 9:05 with county attorney Halvorsen*** by Phipps was 2nd by Hazelton. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting resumed at 9:25 with no action taken.

***Motion to approve 09/29/2023 Warrants*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Miller. Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve 08/25/2023—09/24/2023 payroll*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Phipps. Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve 09/11/2023 Minutes*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Miller***.*** Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to sign Local Safety and Security equipment grant*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Miller. Motion carried 3-0. The $32,000 grant applied for by Greg Davis is for fire equipment and has $3,200 match to be taken from the County Equipment fund.

Melissa Landis of Empower House Ministries recapped the role of the recovery residence for women. Landis announced the opening of a men’s recovery residence in October 2023. The Ministry was awarded $200,000 from ‘Kansas Fights Addiction’ or the Opioid settlement money which is being used to purchase the residence.

Emergency Preparedness director Scott Wiltse informed the BOC of a KDEM grant with a 25% match for storm sirens. A letter of intent would be needed from the County. Maintenance of the sirens would be the responsibility of the entities of where the sirens are placed. Wiltse estimated the County’s match would be around $50,000.

Sheriff Jacob Welsh informed the Board that District Court has been approved for grant money to install panic buttons in the Courthouse office. There will be a $30 fee per month for monitoring. ***Motion to approve grant acceptance from 5th judicial court for installation of panic buttons in the Courthouse and approve the $30 per month monitoring fee to be paid from the Courthouse general fund*** by Miller was 2nd by Hazelton. Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion for 10 minutes of executive session to discuss non-elected personnel at 10:04*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Phipps. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting resumed at 10:14 with no action taken.

Health Department nurse Rachel Jones and Jennifer Stout representing the health fair committee met with the Board to inform them of the upcoming health fair on November 4th. The health fair will be held at the high school with free health screenings, services, vendors and door prizes. ***Motion to donate $1000 to the event from the Crime Prevention Fund*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Phipps. Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion at 10:30 for 10 minutes of executive session to discuss non-elected personnel with detention facility nurse Cheryl Janke*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Miller. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting resumed at 10:40 with no action taken.

Detention Facility administrator Larry Sigler reported a successful inspection ODO or the Office of Detention oversite. Only one infraction was noted on the inspection. Sigler reported that water shut-off valves will be installed in every pod at the facility.

***Motion for 15 minutes of executive session for non-elected personnel with Sigler, Halvorsen and Clerk @ 10:55*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Phipps. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting resumed @ 11:10 with no action taken.

Tony Dekat gave a maintenance report and asked permission to organize the vacated area of the old CWF fire department stall for a workshop including building a wall with an interior door, a new exterior door and plywood to complete a workbench. Dekat can do the lighting and electrical wiring. Commission gave permission to proceed. Remaining items left by the fire department will be the responsibility of the fire chief to remove. Dekat will continue to research the most economical solution to the conditioner filters in the Courthouse. The Board also gave permission to Dekat to purchase grass seed and commended him on the appearance of the Courthouse lawn.

***Motion @ 11:45 for 5 minutes of executive session for non-elected personnel*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Phipps. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting resumed at 11:30 with no action taken.

The meeting adjourned at 11:53 on a motion from Phipps, 2nd by Hazelton. Motion carried 3-0. Next scheduled meeting is Monday, October 16th at 9:00 am.

ADOPTION OF ABOVE MINUTES

STATE OF KANSAS

COUNTY OF CHASE

NOW ON This 16th day of October, 2023 as shown in the Minutes of this date's meeting, the above Minutes are hereby ADOPTED as the official record of the proceedings, business and actions of the Board of Chase County Commissioners during the session above described.

BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Anthony Hazelton, Chairman

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Matt Miller, Vice Chairman

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Alan Phipps, Member

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Connie M. Pretzer, County Clerk