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OF THE CHASE COUNTY, KANSAS

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

September 30, 2019

September 30, 2019 at 10:00 am; Anthony Hazelton-Chairman, William Fillmore Vice-chairman, Randy Talkington-member and Connie Pretzer-County Clerk assembled in the Chase County Commission Chambers. Also attending was Linzi Garcia—Leader News. Hazelton opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

***Motion to approve Warrant Register 9/30/19*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Talkington***.*** Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve 8/25/19 to 9/24/19 Payroll*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Talkington***.*** Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve Minutes of September 16, 2019*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Talkington***.***  Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve $300 from the Crime Prevention Fund to Parents & Friends Bulldog Booster Club by Hazelton was 2nd by Talkington.*** Motion carried 3-0.

EMS Director Scott Harris met with the Board to clarify that he was not in favor of replacing an ambulance at this time and that all recent repairs to the ambulance have been done under warranty. At the Commissioners request, Harris reported on lease options. Discussion was held on leasing, refurbishing and rental options. Commissioners thanked Harris for the information and commended him on a job well done.

Emergency Preparedness Director Scott Wiltse came to the Board to discuss a camera he would like to purchase. The camera would be used to monitor the river at the river bridge during flooding. Talkington asked if the camera could be vandalized. Wiltse explained that the camera would be mounted at the Millstream Motel and high enough to not allow access. Fillmore asked why the need for the camera when we have on-duty officers that do a great job of monitoring the river. After discussion it was decided to table any decision until more information could be gathered.

Detention Facility administrator Larry Sigler entered the meeting with 3 quotes for walk in coolers for the kitchen. ***Motion to approve the bid from Muckenthaler, Inc. for $29,049*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Talkington***.*** Motion carried 3-0. Bids for covering the coolers with a structure will follow. Sigler also received a quote of $31,950 for a 15 passenger van for inmate transport. He will obtain more bids.

Deputy Clerk Tiffany Harshman voiced concerns to the Board regarding cyber security. The County currently does not have any type of monitoring in place. Harshman will schedule a risk assessment with the Department of Homeland Security to find out where the County’s vulnerabilities are. Oxen Technologies representative Kelle White entered the meeting to offer a free risk assessment to the County’s computer/server system. From the assessment, options can be explored to protect the County. Commissioners directed Harshman to contact DHS and Oxen Technologies and compare the results.

Road & Bridge superintendent Thom Kirk reported the State Lake road has been completed and will be monitored for soft spots. Kirk discussed several roads of concern and possible reclaiming. Kirk reported that a box culvert will be replaced in the near future and a portion of 210 Road will be closed for about a week. The new bridge at Bloody Creek is waiting on KDOT for a preconstruction conference. Creek gravel will be harvested this fall. The lease on the track skid steer is over and money has been budgeted. A motion by the BOC is needed to renew the lease. ***Motion to approve a track skid steer for a 12 month governmental lease in the amount of $8000 made payable to Caterpillar Finance by Hazelton was 2nd by Talkington.*** Motion carried 3-0. The lease is limited to 500 hours annual usage. Over hours are billed at the rate of $15.00 per hour. Full lease disclosure can be obtained in the Road & Bridge office.

Commissioner Hazelton reported that he had been in contact with BNSF representative Jeremy Wegner regarding the proposed County road. Wegner is assembling paperwork and will meet with the Commissioners at a later date.

Commissioner Fillmore received a call from a landowner about the weed, *Sericea Lespedeza* and what the noxious weed department’s course of action was. Kirk stated that he sends the landowner a warning letter and keeps track of the problem. Kirk has several areas that he’s keeping an eye on and encourages patrons to call his office to report a problem.

***Motion to adjourn at 11:50 by Hazelton was 2nd by Talkington.*** Motion carried 3-0.

Next scheduled meeting is October 14th, 2019 at 10:00 am.

ADOPTION OF ABOVE MINUTES

STATE OF KANSAS

COUNTY OF CHASE

NOW ON This 14th day of October, 2019, 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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William Fillmore, Vice Chairman

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Randy Talkington, Member

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Connie M. Pretzer, County Clerk