

## **COMMISSION MINUTES – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2010**

At 8:30 A.M., all members of the Pottawatomie County Commission met for a regular session in the County Commission Room. Present were Pat Weixelman, chairman; Corwin Seamans, vice chairman; and Stan Hartwich, member.

Stan Hartwich moved and Corwin Seamans seconded to adopt the agenda for today's meeting. Motion carried 3 to 0.

Stan Hartwich moved and Corwin Seamans seconded to approve the amended minutes for February 1, 2010. Motion carried 3 to 0.

John Watt, County Counselor, met with the Commissioners to update them on projects he is working on.

The Commission reviewed annual reports for the following townships: Belvue, Blue Valley, Center, Clear Creek, Lincoln, Mill Creek, Pottawatomie, Shannon, Sherman, Spring Creek, St. Clere, Vienna, and Wamego.

Tim Eisenbarth, noxious weed director, met with the Commissioners to update them on activities in that department. He gave them an update on the household hazardous waste program. The weed department is continuing to bale cardboard. He reviewed the annual noxious weed eradication progress report for 2009. Tim will provide copies for their consideration and signatures later this morning.

Gregg Webster, zoning administrator and John Keller, county planner, met with the Commissioners to discuss a rezoning request submitted by John Miller for property in Louisville Township. The Commission will consider the request and make a decision later this morning.

Leslie Campbell, health director, met with the Commissioners to discuss a policy regarding 3<sup>rd</sup> party insurance companies. The Commission will act on approval of the policy after county counselor has had a chance to review it.

Chris Darrah, owner of Dara's Fast Lane convenience stores in Manhattan City, Riley County and Pottawatomie County, met with the Commissioners to discuss their decision January 25 not to allow Sunday beer sales for the convenience stores in Pottawatomie County. Darrah stated he was trying to keep all of his convenience stores on an even playing field. Commissioners Hartwich and Seamans stated they are still opposed to Sunday beer sales. If such a resolution

were passed it would apply to all locations in any township in the county. Commissioner Weixelman stated he was not opposed to the Sunday sales at the January 25 meeting and is still unopposed. He agrees with the fact of having the Sunday sales available at all county facilities. At this time the Commission remains opposed to allowing the Sunday sales. John Watt, county counselor, stated he would need to either contact his legislator or have his own attorney gather information to place the question on a ballot. This would require a petition signed by a percent of electors. Darrah can obtain the numbers necessary and names of electors from the county election office.

Leu Lowrey, public works director, met with the Commissioners to update them on activities and concerns in the road/bridge department. Leu presented the Commission with bids from three entities for bulk fuel being considered for use in county vehicles. The Commission asked about the status of thermostats for the new units in the Court Clerk and Judges' offices. They also discussed applicants for the maintenance position and assistant engineer's position. Leu discussed disposal and replacement of equipment. The Commission directed Leu to contact other dealers in the County for bids. Leu will report back on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Corwin Seamans moved and Stan Hartwich seconded to approve the policy for the health department authorizing the billing of Medicaid and Medicare 3<sup>rd</sup> party insurance only. Motion carried 3 to 0. (Attachment #1)

The Commission reviewed and Chairman signed tax roll corrections. (Attachment #2)

Stan Hartwich moved and Corwin Seamans seconded to sign the annual noxious weed eradication progress report 2009 as required by KSA 2-1316. Motion carried 3 to 0. (Attachment #3)

Gregg Webster, zoning administrator and John Keller, county planner, met with the Commission to continue the discussion regarding the John Miller rezone request. Pat Weixelman moved and Stan Hartwich seconded to approve the rezone request for John Miller for a tract in Louisville Township. The tract would be rezoned from A1 to AR. Commissioner Weixelman stated he would like to know if there are still mobile homes on Miller's property. Motion carried 2 to 1. Corwin Seamans voted against the rezoning stating he doesn't like the aspect of 3 lots in a quarter/quarter.

Lisa Wright, county treasurer, met with the Commissioners to update them on taxes collected so far. This year 1700 delinquent notices were mailed out. She recently mailed sheriff notices. These are for delinquent real estate and personal property. 500 personal property warrants for the sheriff have been sent.

Chris Trudo, emergency management director, visited with the Commissioners about the breakdown of County expenses for winter storms. Overtime is counted, but there is a breakdown in equipment cost.

The Commissioners discussed some of the bills listed on the legislative update notices.

The Commission reviewed and Chairman signed account payable printouts for February 8, 2010.

Stan Hartwich moved and Corwin Seamans seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 3 to 0. Meeting adjourned at 2:05.

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