

BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, November 1, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

Commission Chairman Bruce Harris called the Butler County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were Commissioner Jeff Masterson, Commissioner Mike Wheeler, Commissioner Dan Woydziak, County Administrator Will Johnson, Jr., and Clerk Recorder Paula Stoskopf. Commissioner Peggy Palmer was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Woydziak motioned to approve the minutes of the Butler County Commission meeting of Tuesday, October 25, 2011, as written. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments.

ITEM #1 – RECEIVE LARRY CROUSE AND BARBARA ROTHS FOR AN EXTENSION UPDATE

Larry Crouse, Horticulture Agent, Butler County Extension Office, and Barb Roths, Family Consumer Science Agent, Butler County Extension Office, came before the Board to provide an update regarding the Numana Garden Project. Both Agents are also on the Founding Committee for the Numana Project. Mr. Crouse stated that ground has been broken on this project and it is the goal to develop a system of production, processing, and distribution right here in El Dorado that can be duplicated anywhere in the world. The initial site for the garden consists of 2.4 acres located in the 800 block of North Gordy in El Dorado. The property is owned by the City of El Dorado and the City will be providing the water for the project. Commissioner Wheeler inquired if this would require any County resources. Mr. Crouse stated that it would not. It is only going to consist of his time and expertise in this area of his work. Mr. Crouse noted that this would create an opportunity for his Master Gardeners. They will be the educational component as well as providing them with an opportunity to fulfill their community service. Mr. Crouse noted that the goal of this project is both great and lofty, but he is working with people who have a track record of getting things done. Ms. Roths stated that a major part of this project is to allow people access to healthier foods in an accessible, practical, and affordable way. Ms. Roths related to the Board that this will also provide an opportunity to teach members of Butler County to make healthier food choices which leads to healthier individuals. She noted that it will be of great value to have healthy people in Butler County. No action was taken.

ITEM #2 – PUBLIC HEARING ON THE AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING AND SUBDIVISIONS REGULATIONS

Rod Compton, Director of Planning & Development, came before the Board to consider adoption of amendments to the Butler County Zoning and Subdivision Regulations that the Board proposed on October 11, 2011. Mr. Compton stated that due to the Public Hearing held on October 11th, there was not a need to hold an additional hearing. Mr. Compton reviewed the proposed changes with the Board stating that the proposed changes, along with the recently adopted amendments to the Code, would allow for more consistent application of the regulations and allow the County to consider future proposals for development that previously was unable to consider. The proposed changes will also provide opportunities for developers to do more

innovative developments by allowing greater possible densities, and provide for the use of private infrastructure, which must be maintained by the owners of the property within the development instead of the county taxpayer at large.

ITEM #3 – CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING AND SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS

Commissioner Masterson motioned to approve the proposed amendments to the Butler County Zoning and Subdivision Regulations; as they would enhance the ability of Butler County to consider a wider range of development options, and hereby authorize the Chairman to sign Resolution No. 11-33. Commissioner Woydziak seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

RECESS

Commissioner Harris recessed the Board meeting at 9:55 a.m. for 5 minutes.

RECONVENE

Commissioner Harris reconvened the Board meeting at 10:00 a.m.

ITEM #4 – CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT AND THE BUTLER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE WIC BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELOR PROGRAM AND ALLOW THE CHAIR TO SIGN

Janice Powers, Butler County Health Department Administrator, came before the Board to review the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) 2011 – 2012 Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program contract for \$10,513.00, plus any reallocated federal funds that become available between KDHE and the Health Department, and allow the Chair to sign. The goal of this program is to recruit and hire a paraprofessional that will encourage and support pregnant women and breastfeeding mothers. This individual is also a mother who is breastfeeding or has done so in the past. Ms. Powers noted that training in such counseling for the paraprofessional is provided also through this grant. There is no match for this grant.

Commissioner Wheeler motioned to approve the contract between the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the Butler County Health Department for the WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program in the amount of \$10,513.00 and allow the Chair to sign. Commissioner Woydziak seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM #5 – CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE LOWEST AND BEST BID FOR TWO (2) EMS MEDICAL SUPPLY DISPENSING MACHINES FROM BOUND TREE MEDICAL SUPPLY

Grant Helferich, Butler County EMS Director, came before the Board for approval of the lowest and best bid for two (2) EMS medical supply dispensing machines from Bound Tree Medical Supply. The cost benefit of these units will come from the reduction of the insensible loss of supplies and the cancellation of the current inventory software agreement with AMBUTRAK. Mr. Helferich stated that this benefit should be noticed in the third year of usage. Staff recommended Bound Tree Medical Supply as their bid was below the estimate presented to the Commission. The cost of each dispensing unit will be \$11,000; which includes shipping, set-up, return door cost, and web access for three years.

Commissioner Woydziak motioned to approve the EMS Department to purchase two (2) EMS 5 Medical Supply dispensing machines from Bound Tree Medical Supply in the amount of \$22,000 to be paid out of the EMS Capital Line Item Budget. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Woydziak requested Mr. Helferich to return in six months with a report of what savings has been realized at that point. Commissioner Wheeler requested a demonstration of the dispensing machines when they were up and running. Mr. Helferich stated that he would let the Board know when they could come view the machines. Mr. Helferich reported to the Board that the opportunity had been given to use the new radios from Bartlesville, OK, and Garden City, KS, and that the communication was very clear and audible.

ITEM #6 – CONSIDER APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES MANAGEMENT TO OBTAIN BID PROPOSALS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF CARPET AND TILE AT THE HEALTH/EXTENSION BUILDING

Dan Ingalls, Director of Facilities Management, came before the Board for authorization to obtain bid proposals for the replacement of carpet and tile at the Health/Extension Building. This building was built in 1995 and the carpet and tile are both original. Mr. Ingalls stated that in an ongoing process to maintain all Butler County facilities to their fullest potential, it has been determined that the floor coverings are in need of replacement. Mr. Ingalls' estimated cost of the project was \$29,000 for the Health Department side and \$10,000 to \$11,000 for the Extension side.

Commissioner Woydziak motioned to allow the Director of Facilities Management to obtain bid proposals for the replacement of the floor coverings at the Health/Extension Building. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Commissioner Wheeler motioned to approve the vouchers for November 1, 2011, in the amount of \$153,169.30. Commissioner Woydziak seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

COMMISSION ADDS & ABATES

Commissioner Wheeler motioned to approve Adds & Abates #2505 dated November 1, 2011; Adds in the amount of \$0.00 and Abates in the amount of \$166.56. Commissioner Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

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

Commissioner Woydziak stated that the Employee Appreciation Breakfast was very nice and he was glad to see the good turnout. He enjoyed visiting with the employees.

Commissioner Harris noted the Butler County Extension Annual Meeting on Thursday, November 17th. He will be unable to attend. He noted, along with the rest of the Board, that Leadership Butler and Tour Butler are also that same evening.

Commissioner Harris verified with Administrator Johnson that he would be attending the Butler County 4-H Achievement Night on Saturday, November 5th.

Commissioner Harris stated that two responses were received from the letters sent out to State Representatives and Members of the Energy Committees. Senator Jay Emler and Representative Joe Siewart both responded.

Commissioner Harris noted that he would be attending the Butler County Conservation District Breakfast on November 2nd at 7:00 a.m.

Commissioner Harris also noted the success of the Employee Appreciation Breakfast. Administrator Johnson agreed and noted that it ran very smoothly. Administrator Johnson also stated that he would like to pass on his thanks to City Commissioner Nick Badwey for all of his efforts at the Breakfast. Mr. Badwey went above and beyond and it was greatly appreciated.

Commissioner Wheeler noted the invitation to Justice Is Served on Friday, November 11th. Commissioner Harris will check his schedule.

Commissioner Wheeler noted the Celebration of Freedom Parade and Events to be held this Saturday, November 5th, in El Dorado.

Administrator Johnson informed the Board that the Mill Levy was finalized last week. The County's Mill Levy dropped slightly on certification from 35.781 to 35.775.

Commissioner Wheeler inquired if anyone from the Board would be available to attend the Tour Butler event at the Prairie Rose on November 17th. Administrator Johnson will send an e-mail to Commissioner Palmer requesting her to attend this event as all other Commissioners are participating in other functions that same evening.

Administrator Johnson stated that the deadline for the Wind Farm Applications was October 31st. Six were received totaling \$94,977.00. Mr. Johnson will forward them to the Board for review. Hearings for the Wind Farm Applications will be held on Monday, November 7th.

Administrator Johnson noted that following the meeting on Tuesday, November 8th, the Board will be attending the Thanksgiving Dinner at the Whitewater Senior Center.

Commissioner Woydziak noted there would be no meetings on November 14th or 15th due to the KAC Meeting in Topeka.

Administrator Johnson reported that the Historical Society letters had been sent out and the request for their information was due back by December 1st.

Administrator Johnson stated that the Board needed to approve their KAC Voting Delegation. The delegation is to consist of a delegate, first alternate, and second alternate.

Commissioner Masterson motioned to approve Commissioner Dan Woydziak, Delegate; Commissioner Bruce Harris, First Alternate; and Administrator Will Johnson, Second Alternate; as the KAC Voting Delegation. Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Administrator Johnson noted the following meetings he will be attending:
Thursday, November 3rd – with the Cities of Andover & Augusta regarding Thunder Rd. Bridge
Thursday, November 3rd – in Beaumont regarding the railroad parcels

Commissioner Wheeler commented on the e-mail received from Representative Grange regarding CDL and Conceal & Carry Licenses. Administrator Johnson noted the disappointing tone of Mr. Grange's e-mail, however; Ruth Fechter, County Treasurer, responded very professionally to the e-mail. Mr. Johnson stated that these are State functions outside of the County's control and that certain licenses can only be obtained in certain locations which are designated by the State.

ADJOURNMENT

*Commissioner Woydziak motioned to adjourn the meeting of the Board at 10:44 a.m.
Commissioner Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.*