

May 8, 2017  
Reno County Courthouse  
Hutchinson, Kansas

The Board of Reno County Commissioners met in agenda session with, Chairman Dan Deming, Commissioner Ron Hirst and Commissioner Bob Bush, County Administrator Gary Meagher, County Counselor Joe O'Sullivan, and Minutes Clerk Cindy Martin, present.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a short sectarian prayer led by Phil Wood, Bahai's of Hutchinson.

There were two additions to the agenda; moving July 4<sup>th</sup> meeting to either the 3rd or 5th, open burning issue.

**Mr. Bush moved, seconded by Mr. Hirst,** to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the Accounts Payable Ledger for claims payable on May 12, 2017 of \$266,101.71 and also consisting of pending Added, Abated and Escaped Taxation Change Orders numbered 2017-501 as submitted. Next on the consent agenda was a renewal of application of a Cereal Malt Beverage License for Oasis Convenience Store, Sylvia, Kansas. Last item was a Proclamation; proclaiming the week of May 15-21, 2017 as "Police Week" and May 15, 2017 as "Peace Officers Memorial Day". The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 3-0.

Commissioner Hirst shared Patrol Captain Darrian Campbell's military background. Captain Campbell attained the highest rank of a non-commissioned officer that of Sgt. Major. Captain Darrian Campbell accepted the proclamation and appreciated the support of the commission, spouse, and co-workers. He also invited anyone who wanted to attend a ceremony on Friday at 11:00 a.m. in front of the Law Enforcement Center.

Human Relations Director Renee Harris presented a revision to the Electronic Media Policy. She will bring a final version next week. This is a draft changing sections 4, 5, 6.0, 6.5 and 7. Information Services Director Mike Mathews was also in the audience to comment on mobile devices as well as monitoring activity on the county computers emails. Mrs. Harris stated that employees will be required to watch a 10 to 15 minute video each month for safety on the internet.

Commissioner Bush addressed the issue of serving as ex-officio member on certain boards. He stated that if he represented an interest funded by Reno County funds, would he truly be independent of making decisions. Mr. Bush would gladly

serve on the Quest Center Board if the other two commissioners had no problem with him holding that position. The Board agreed to have Mr. Bush serve on the Quest Center Board. Mr. Bush would attend the Quest Center meeting and introduce himself.

The Commission went through the eighteen points of overall goals and changes in meetings or procedures discussing each one separately.

Commissioner Deming discussed an article in the Western Front of the Hutchinson News regarding burning. County Administrator Gary Meagher stated they wanted to make the resolution workable and reasonable for everyone regarding regulating open burning and will bring it back in two weeks for action. Commissioner Hirst wanted to meet again with all people involved before making a decision.

The Board moved the July 4<sup>th</sup> meeting since it fell on a holiday to Wednesday July 5<sup>th</sup>.

At 10:35 the meeting recessed for five minutes.

The meeting reconvened with all Commissioners, County Administrator Gary Meagher, County Counselor Joe O'Sullivan, and Minutes Clerk Cindy Martin, present.

Information Services Director Mike Mathews and Community Corrections Director Randy Regehr met with the Board for their regularly scheduled meetings. Both went over the various current issues not requiring action by the Board.

The Board had no comments on upcoming events.

At 10:55 the meeting adjourned until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, May 16, 2017.

Approved:

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Chair, Board of Reno County Commissioners

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