

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with all members and the County Clerk present. Commissioner Stewart led the Pledge of Allegiance and provided prayer.

The monthly department head meeting was held with the following in attendance: Rita Gee, County Treasurer; John Crosby, Fire Chief; Toni Irvin, Health Department Administrator; Randy McCauley, Public Works Supervisor; Paul Fort, EMS Director; Dana McDaniel, Register of Deeds; Marilea Honstead, Civic Center Manager; Don Button, Emergency Management Coordinator; Lance Babcock, Sheriff; LaVonne Michael, Senior Citizen Director; and Greg Wellbrock, County Appraiser.

Commissioners held a conference call with John Grace, Executive Director of Kansas Senior Living. He reiterated his qualifications and explained the benefits of having a not-for-profit health care facility. Mr. Grace also shared his strategy to manage The Legacy at Park View Care Home and Park View Assisted Living if his company were to purchase it.

Jessica Akers, County Attorney, met with commissioners and discussed the statute relating to the sale of county property.

Commissioners held a conference call with Mike Flanagan, Attorney with Flanagan and Associates, and discussed the scope of services needed to sell the care home and assisted living facilities. Commissioners also held a conference call with Nicholas Cacciabando, Broker for Senior Living Investment Brokerage, to discuss Letters of Intent from Frontline Management, Kansas Senior Living and Midwest Health to purchase The Legacy at Park View Care Home and Park View Assisted Living. Martin Long made the motion to accept the non-binding Letter of Intent from Midwest Health, located in Topeka Kansas, to purchase The Legacy at Park View Care Home and Park View Assisted Living to include all real property, improvements, all personal property which is used in connection with the operation of the two facilities. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Kevin Shapland made the motion to retain the services of Attorney Mike Flanagan for the care home and assisted living transactions. Martin Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Erica Oglevie and David Younger, Rotary Club Members, asked commissioners for their support on a Rotary Walking Trail Project. The Rotary Club's intent is to have a loop connecting Frazier Park, Barb Dye Park and Patterson Avenue up to Road I. Commissioners unanimously committed to help with the walking trail project.

Ken Keusler, Board Member and Judy Keusler, Community Coordinator for Grant County Community Foundation (GCCF), discussed the permanent and non-permanent Bob Wilson Memorial Grant County Hospital (BWMGCH) Funds and asked commissioners if GCCF could repurpose the monies to continue benefiting the hospital by giving it to the BWMGCH Auxiliary. Kevin Shapland made the motion to close the permanent BWMGCH Fund \$35,466.40 and the non-permanent BWMGCH Fund \$5,904.76 and transfer the money to BWMGCH Auxiliary Fund. Martin Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Commissioners recessed at 11:50 a.m. for lunch at Bob Wilson Memorial Grant County Hospital (BWMGCH) with the BWMGCH Executive Team: Amanda Vaughn, James Forrest, Jr., Deanna Mustin, Dr. Patrick Barker, Betty Baker; Centura/BWMGCH Board Members, Gary Riley, Lynn Teeter, Darrin Figgins and Mike Brewer. Ms. Mustin gave a PowerPoint presentation on BWMGCH progress since Centura Health took over. Ms. Vaughn provided updates on the Walk in Clinic progress and search for new doctors.

Greg Wellbrock, County Appraiser, shared information on the State of Kansas method of valuing agricultural land.

Martin Long made the motion to approve the minutes of the March 21 and March 22, 2017 meetings along with the claims against the various funds of the county; and to add \$24.70 to the quoted amount from Silver Star Overhead Doors to repair a service door; payroll total \$135,487.13 dated March 29; voucher numbers ending 152880 totaling \$246,601.76. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Kevin Shapland made the motion to contribute \$1,000.00 towards the 2017 Fourth of July Fireworks Display. Martin Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Commissioners reviewed a request from Ed Neidert to have the Road Department repair cracks in the asphalt taxiway in front of Mike Moyer and Mr. Neidert privately owned hangars. Commissioners made the unanimous decision to allow the Road Department to restore the asphalt taxiway and to charge the Airport fund materials and labor for the repair.


The 2018 Cimarron Basin Community Corrections Comprehensive Plan was reviewed and approved by consensus of commissioners.

Janet Stewart proclaimed April as Fair Housing Month and expressed the hope this year's observance will promote fair housing practices throughout the county.

Paul Fort, EMS Director, and Terry Crosby, EMS Operations Officer, discussed a chronic problem with the entire sewer system in the Ambulance building. Mr. Fort requested permission to seek bids to repair the sewer system, a rain water drainage issue, and upgrade the phone system. Commissioners agreed the updates were needed.

Janet Stewart requested the September 19th Commissioner Meeting be moved back one day due to a conflict. Commissioners unanimous agreed to move the September 19th meeting to September 18th.

Kevin Shapland made the motion to adjourn at 4:30 p.m. to meet again in regular session on April 18, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. Martin Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.


Sheila Brown, County Clerk




Janet Stewart, Chairman