

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; Randy McCauley, Public Works Supervisor; Paul Fort, EMS Director; Don Button, Emergency Management Coordinator; Dana McDaniel, Register of Deeds; and O'Lavonne Michael, Senior Citizen Director.

Kevin Shapland made the motion to allow needed repairs at the Civic Center at a cost not to exceed \$1,200.00, and for this expense to be paid from the County Building fund. Martin Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Chamber of Commerce Director Marieta Hauser, presented the Chamber and Tourism 2018 appropriation request of \$11,000.00 for general operations, a 15% increase from the appropriation given prior year.

Kevin Shapland made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2017 meeting along with the claims against the various funds of the county, payroll total \$140,881.98 dated June 21; voucher numbers ending 153551 totaling \$737,403.96. Martin Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to recess to executive session for 15 minutes to discuss matters of non-elected personnel. Martin Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After 15 minutes the meeting continued in open session with no action taken.

Grant County Conservation District Board Member, Leonard Wilson and Brittany Seger, District Manager, presented the Conservation District 2018 appropriation request of \$18,600.00, an 11% increase from the appropriation given prior year.

Ginger Anthony, Museum Curator, presented the 2018 appropriation request of \$129,500.00, a 3.5% increase from the appropriation given prior year. Ms. Anthony said for a fundraiser the Museum is in the process of publishing two books, The History of Grant County in the 30's, and The History of Grant County in the 40's.

Paul Fort, EMS Director, presented the Emergency Medical Service fee controls and billing procedures for commissioner review. Next, the EMS Director said Ambulance transports would change from \$9.00 a mile to \$14.00 a mile to reflect the Medicare allowable rate. Lastly, Mr. Fort discussed the need for a new ambulance. Commissioners unanimously agreed to allow the EMS Director to seek bids.

Martin Long made the motion to adjourn at 11:35 a.m. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Commissioners reconvened at 11:55 a.m. for lunch at Bob Wilson Memorial Grant County Hospital (BWMGCH) with the BWMGCH Executive Team: Amanda Vaughn, Deanna Mustin, Tammy Oxford, Cindy Howard-Reeves; Centura/BWMGCH Board Members, Gary Riley, Lynn Teeter, Darrin Figgins and Mike Brewer. Ms. Vaughn provided updates on doctor and nurse recruitment; benefits of merging with Sodexo and Kindred; and new structure of physical therapy.

Commissioners adjourned at 1:25 p.m. to meet again in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on July 17, 2017.



Sheila Brown, County Clerk





Janet Stewart, Chairman