

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with all members and the County Clerk present. Pastor Janet Hernandez provided prayer and Chairman Long led the Pledge of Allegiance. Media representatives were: Laci McCarter, Ulysses News; and Kellie Euliss, KULY Radio.

The monthly department head meeting was held with the following in attendance: Rita Gee, County Treasurer; Lance Babcock, Sheriff; JD Neufeld, Civic Center Manager; Jerry Jo Deckert, EMS Director; Don Button, Emergency Management Coordinator; Mary K. Sullivan, Register of Deeds; De Lane, Purchasing Agent; John Crosby, Fire Chief; and Richard Banes, City/County Inspector.

David Younger, USD 214 Superintendent, met with commissioners to request USD 214 receives a portion of the revenue from the wind farm pilot (payments in lieu of taxes) payments. Commissioners explained the first couple of years they plan to use the pilot payment for repairing roads damaged by the construction of the wind farm. Commissioner McHenry said the County will consider the school district in future pilot payments. Superintendent Younger stated he will schedule to return next year to request a portion of the revenue for the school district.

Linda McHenry made the motion to recess into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After 5 minutes the meeting continued, no action was taken as a result of the executive session.

Linda McHenry made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2013 regular meeting, along with the claims against the various funds of the county, payroll total \$278,926.03 dates April 17 and May 1; voucher numbers 139938 – 141126 totaling \$1,128,309.18. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Linda McHenry made the motion to approve a letter for the Historical Board to apply for a business revitalization grant to improve the exterior property of the Grant County Historic Adobe Museum. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

JD Neufeld, Civic Center Manager, presented requests for three improvements, first item—replacing air condition/heat unit on roof of South Room; second item—replace south door in South Room; third item—replace rusted metal on the exterior of the main Civic Center building. Mike Anderson with Skylite Construction attended this portion of the meeting. Linda McHenry made the motion to accept the bid from Ross of Ulysses at a cost not to exceed \$6,289.60 to replace the air condition/heat unit for the South Room and for this expense to be taken from the special equipment fund. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Linda McHenry made the motion to accept the best bid from Skylite Construction at a cost of \$13,750.00 for the wainscot metal application on the exterior of the Civic Center building and for this expense to be taken from the county building fund. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it

passed unanimously. Linda McHenry made the motion to keep the same contractor, Skylite Construction for the metal double door replacement and installation at a cost of \$4,000.00 and for this expense to be taken from the county building fund. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

After reviewing a quote for service, Carl Higgs made the motion to hire Randy's Tower Service to re-guy the 340' tower owned by Grant County at a cost of \$10,946.00, and for this expense to be taken from the courthouse general fund. Linda McHenry seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

After reviewing a contract for 2013 GIS map maintenance, Linda McHenry made the motion to enter into an agreement with Kimble Mapping at a cost of \$8,400.00 for 2013 mapping maintenance and Arc/Reader updates, and for this expense to be taken from the courthouse general fund. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Due to personal reasons at 10:25 a.m. Commissioner McHenry left the meeting.

Mark Hinde, CEO of Southwest Development Services, Inc. (SDSI), and Mary Gleason, Grant County Representative, presented the SDSI 2014 appropriation request of \$47,409.00.

Amy McGrath, Communication and Multi Media Coordinator and Jill Reagle, Tiny-K Coordinator for Russell Child Development Center (RCDC), presented the RCDC 2014 appropriation request of \$35,000.00. Ms. Reagle thanked the County for the continued investment in child development.

David Black, Deputy County Attorney, met with commissioners to discuss four abandoned mobile homes from the recent tax sale. Rita Gee, County Treasurer and Charles Hacker, American Title, attended this portion of the meeting. Mr. Black presented a bill of sale for each of the mobile homes and discussed the unpaid personal property taxes. Carl Higgs made the motion to accept the payment of \$200.00 from Gilbert Urteaga for the four abandoned mobile homes. Marty Long seconded the motion, and it passed. The County Treasurer requested clarification on the 1996 double wide mobile home that was sold with the real estate parcel. Mr. Black indicated it was part of the real estate and any back taxes owed should be taken from the purchase of the real estate.

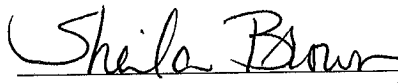
Alan Olson, Interim City Administrator and John Crosby, Fire Chief, presented Resolution 13-02. Marty Long made the motion to approve Resolution 13-02, a Resolution regulating the sale and discharge of fireworks in Grant County, Kansas. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed.

Commissioner Higgs and Long recessed for lunch at Park View Assisted Living with The Legacy @ Park View Board. Those attending were: Board Members, Larry Gustafson, George Bushnell, Greg Davis, and Larry Kepley; and Kim Doty, Care Home Administrator. General discussion was held.

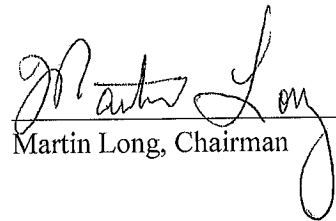
Lance Babcock, Sheriff, presented a quote from Simplex Grinnell for a fire alarm upgrade. Carl Higgs made the motion to repair the fire alarm system at a cost of \$2,667.94 and for this expense to be taken from the county building fund. Marty Long seconded the motion, and it passed. Sheriff Babcock informed commissioners House Bill 2052 passed and it allows the governing body of any state or municipal building to exempt the building for four years, subject to developing a plan for security measures. It was the consensus of the commissioners Grant County would take no action and let the law take effect.

Commissioners recessed to the Grant County Library Cooper/Clark Room for a WEKANDO/Port Authority Meeting.

The commissioners adjourned to meet again in regular session on May 21, 2013.


Sheila Brown, County Clerk




Martin Long, Chairman