

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioner Long, Commissioner Higgs, and the County Clerk present. Pastor Kelly Gindlesberger provided prayer, and Commissioner Long led the Pledge of Allegiance. Media representatives present: Lydia Kautz, Ulysses News.

The monthly department head meeting was held with the following in attendance: Randy McCauley, Public Works Supervisor; Marilea Honstead, Civic Center Manager; John Crosby, Fire Chief; O'LaVonne Michael, Senior Center Director; Kristy Frazee, Health Department Administrator; Don Button, Emergency Management Coordinator; Dana McDaniel, Register of Deeds; Lance Babcock, Sheriff; Jessica Akers, County Attorney; and Rita Gee, County Treasurer.

Carl Higgs made the motion to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2014 meeting, along with the claims against the various funds of the county, payroll total \$127,062.71 date March 19; voucher numbers ending 143910 totaling \$279,691.58. Marty Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Jessica Akers, County Attorney, gave an update on the progress of the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan and requested guidance on whether to include the entire County or tailor the plan to a certain area of Grant County. Bob Dale Passini attended this portion of the meeting. After discussion, it was the consensus of the commissioners to include the entire County. The County Attorney reported the Builders Development Corporation had been given the contract on the property located at 300 E. Maize.

Terry Crosby, Paramedic for EMS, presented the forms to recertify the County ambulances, which were reviewed and approved by the commissioners.

Marilea Honstead, Civic Center Manager, presented three options to develop consistent reasonable hours of operation for the Civic Center and Fairgrounds. Marty Long made the motion to accept Option 2, and for it to be included in the Civic Center Operations Manual. Option 2: Have set, available hours for private parties including church dinners and events: Monday through Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. (excluding security events) and Sunday, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Ms. Honstead discussed the malfunctioning problem with the industrial scrubber; she is working with Empire to resolve.

Randy McCauley, Public Works Supervisor, reviewed the estimate and design for an intersection project south of Ulysses, the approximate cost of project is \$400,000.00, not including right of ways. It was the consensus of commissioners to proceed with project development.

Kristy Frazee, Health Department Administrator, requested permission to purchase three new desk top computers for the Health Department. The commissioners gave their permission to get bids.

The commissioners reviewed and approved the Airport T-Hangar Lease Agreement with Jeff Morgan for Lease Parcel #8-3.

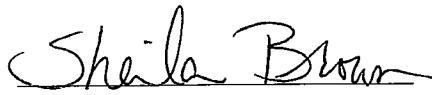
Marty Long made the motion to proclaim April as Fair Housing Month and expressed the hope this year's observance will promote fair housing practices throughout the County. Carl Higgs seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Carl Higgs made the motion to reappoint Warren Baldwin to the Library Board of Trustees and to appoint Sandy Duran, starting May 1, 2014 to fill the vacant position made by the notification of Thelma Bortz's expiring term. Marty Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

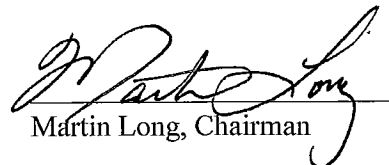
Carl Higgs made the motion to adjourn at 11:00 a.m. Marty Long seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The commissioners reconvened at noon for lunch at Park View Assisted Living with the Hospital Board of Trustees. Those attending from the hospital were: Art Frable, Administrator; James Forrest, Director of Finance; and Trustees, David Higgs, Mary Moyer, Mark Gerstberger, M.D., and Mike Brewer. General discussion was held.

The commissioners adjourned at 1:15 p.m., to meet again in regular session on April 15, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.


Sheila Brown, County Clerk




Martin Long, Chairman