

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with all members and the County Clerk present. Ulysses News Reporter, Kelli Medrano was in attendance. Commissioner Shapland led the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner Stewart provided prayer.

Terri Trotman, County Treasurer, met with commissioners to review delinquent taxes on real estate and minerals. After reviewing the list, it was the consensus of commissioners not to pursue a tax sale this year.

Kevin Shapland made the motion to amend the previous motion to allow for \$693.14 additional unexpected costs for the water project. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Janet Stewart made the motion to approve minutes for the November 6, 2019 and November 11, 2019 meetings along with claims against the various funds of the county, payroll total \$143,073.95 dated November 6; voucher numbers ending 160284 totaling \$171,539.57. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mari Honstead, Civic Center Manager, relayed the Tractor Club requested permission to trench across the tractor pull track and put speakers on the other side for viewers to hear better. It was the consensus of commissioners to allow the Tractor Club to install additional speakers. Next, the Civic Center Manager explained she will go over budget again this year and requested commissioners amend the Park Maintenance fund. Ms. Honstead shared information on the Civic Center needs for the remaining year. Janet Stewart made the motion, on recommendation of the auditors, to amend the 2019 Park Maintenance budget, increasing the budget authority by \$40,000.00, which will transfer from the General fund, and set for public hearing on December 17, 2019. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Shapland left the meeting to attend Grandparent's Day at Sullivan School.

Larry Kepley, citizen, invited commissioners to join him on a road trip "University on Wheels Open to the Public". The committee planned an educational road trip to Kansas State University to observe the research being done at KSU and how the information gleaned can be commercialized in Southwest Kansas.

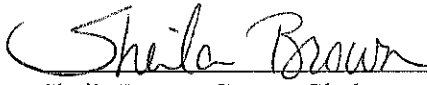
Discussion was held on the current Courthouse IBM Server Maintenance Agreement. IBM is sunsetting the power 7 model, but Thomson Reuters will seek third-party vendor coverage. It was the consensus of Commissioner Stewart and Commissioner McGaughey to renew the AS400 maintenance for another year with a third-party vendor.

Toni Irvin, Health Department Administrator, requested three new computers to be used for the Women Infants and Children (WIC) Program. The Health Department Administrator

conveyed WIC will reimburse 100% of the cost of the computers. Janet Stewart made the motion to approve the bid for two Windows 10Pro PC's and one 15.6" Laptop at a cost not to exceed \$2,935.00 from The Computer Alchemist, for the Health Department WIC Programs, and for this expense to be paid from the Special Equipment fund and reimbursed fully from the WIC Program. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Larry Fahrenbruch, Employee for Medical Transport Solutions, met with commissioners and requested permission to offer a payroll deduction to protect employees when insurance falls short of covering medical expenses due to emergency transportation. Commissioners took the information under advisement.

Janet Stewart made the motion to adjourn for the day at 11:00 a.m., to meet again in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on December 3, 2019. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.


Sheila Brown, County Clerk




Kevin Shapland, Chairman