

THE PRATT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2016 AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSION ROOM, COURTHOUSE, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: JOE R. REYNOLDS, DAVID L. WARD AND GLENNA L. BORHO. ALSO PRESENT WERE ROBERT SCHMISSEUR, COUNTY COUNSELOR, GALE ROSE, PRATT TRIBUNE REPORTER, SHERRY KRUSE, COUNTY CLERK, SUE DEWEESE, JERRY KEENE, WAYNE DAY, SUE PEACHEY AND VENI RIOS.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

DOUG FREUND, ROAD AND BRIDGE DIRECTOR, REPORTED HE IS CONTACTING DAVID GIL, NEXTERA, ABOUT THE VEHICLE TRAFFIC ON ROADS; DUMPING A LOT OF MILLINGS ON DIRT/SAND ROADS; PRESENTED A QUOTE FROM FOLEY CAT ON A 2015 BACKHOE; COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION TO PURCHASE A 2015 CAT BACKHOE WITH TRADE-IN OF \$15,000 ON 2002 JCB BACKHOE FOR \$88,742. COMMISSIONER WARD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER BORHO STATED SHE HAD GOTTEN A MESSAGE FROM A CITIZEN THAT THE ROADS AROUND WEST RIVER ROAD ARE IN GOOD SHAPE; ROBERT SCHMISSEUR, COUNTY COUNSELOR, TOLD DOUG THAT THE ROADS NEXTERA IS USING NEED TO BE ADDED TO THE ROAD USE AGREEMENT OR GET OFF THE ROADS.

TIM BRANSCOM, EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, REPORTED HE HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH BOB STAMEY IN TOPEKA ABOUT GETTING THE CERT PROGRAM STARTED; CLARIFYING WHETHER A GRANT FROM SIX YEARS AGO FOR \$6100 CAN STILL BE USED; DAVID GIL, NEXTERA, HAS REQUESTED SOME MINOR ADJUSTMENTS TO TURBINE LOCATIONS BECAUSE OF SOFT SOIL ISSUES OR REQUESTS BY LANDOWNERS; CAN USE GPS MAPPING TO VERIFY LOCATIONS AND THEN IF SOMEONE QUESTIONS THE LOCATION HE CAN THEN GO ON-SITE.

TRACEY BEVERLIN ANNOUNCED TO THE COMMISSIONERS SHE IS A CANDIDATE FOR THE PRATT COUNTY ATTORNEY POSITION; SHE IS IN GENERAL PRACTICE WITH THE FIRM HANSON, JORNS & BEVERLIN AND BELIEVES SHE CAN RUN A PROFESSIONAL OFFICE; TRACEY STATED SHE WILL NOT BE AFRAID TO PROSECUTE CASES; SHE WELCOMES ANY FEEDBACK.

ROBERT TORRES, NOXIOUS WEED/ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, FINISHED SPRAYING BARE GROUND AT LAKE; STARTING TO SPRAY MUSK THISTLE AND BINDWEED; ENVIRONMENTAL AND SEPTIC SYSTEMS PICKING UP.

VERNON CHINN, SHERIFF, ASKED FOR A THREE MINUTE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL; COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 4:30 P.M. TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THREE MINUTES TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL. COMMISSIONER WARD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 4:33 P.M. TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NOTHING TO REPORT. COMMISSIONER WARD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. VERNON TOLD THE COMMISSIONERS THAT HE IS NOT RUNNING FOR RE-ELECTION; HE MET WITH HIS STAFF EARLIER TO LET THEM KNOW.

COMMISSIONER WARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 18, 2016 MEETING. CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 2-0. COMMISSIONER BORHO ABSTAINED SINCE SHE WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE MEETING.

ROBERT SCHMISSEUR, COUNTY COUNSELOR, ASKED FOR A FIVE MINUTE EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS AN ATTORNEY/CLIENT MATTER; COMMISSIONER WARD MADE A MOTION AT 4:44 P.M. TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR FIVE MINUTES TO DISCUSS ANY ATTORNEY/CLIENT MATTER.

