

THE PRATT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET MONDAY, MAY 2, 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 AND SUE DEWEESE.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

CATHERINE ROHRER, SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS DIRECTOR, ASKED FOR A TEN MINUTE EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL; COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 4:00 P.M. TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR TEN MINUTES TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL. COMMISSIONER WARD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 4:10 P.M. TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NOTHING TO REPORT. COMMISSIONER WARD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. CATHERINE REPORTED SOME JUVENILE FUNDS WERE PAID FROM THE WRONG LINE ITEM IN THE BUDGET BUT OUT OF THE CORRECT FUND.

DOUG FREUND, ROAD AND BRIDGE DIRECTOR, REPORTED THE SIGN PROJECT HAS STARTED; LAST DAY FOR PURPLE WAVE AUCTION WAS LAST FRIDAY AND WAITING TO HEAR FROM THEM; TALKED WITH DAVID GIL, NEXTERA, ABOUT SE 60TH ST GETTING A LOT OF TRAFFIC; NOT HAULING IN ANY TURBINES YET; 2015 CAT BACKHOE HAS ALREADY BEEN RECEIVED; GUTTERING ON THE ROAD SHOP HAS BEEN REPLACED; DAVID GIL IS WORKING WITH KIRKHAM MICHAEL ENGINEERS TO MAKE SURE WEIGHT ON TRUCKS IS LEGAL.

TIM BRANSCOM, EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, GAVE THE COMMISSIONERS COPIES OF TURBINE AMENDMENTS AND ROAD AMENDMENTS; RECEIVED THE WINTER AVIAN STUDY THE END OF MARCH; WHEN THE ZONING PERMIT WAS ISSUED NO WATER WELLS WERE TO BE DRILLED; A COMMERCIAL WATER WELL HAS BEEN DRILLED ON RANDY HILLARDS PROPERTY; NEXTERA REPORTED THEY WERE HAVING TROUBLE FINDING AVAILABLE WATER; COMMERCIAL WELLS ARE REGISTERED IN THE LANDOWNERS NAME AND THE PERMITS ARE ISSUED BY THE STATE; NEXTERA BOUGHT THE PROPERTY WHERE THEIR SUBSTATION IS LOCATED AND DRILLED A SECOND WATER WELL; POSSIBILITY THAT AFTER THE PROJECT IS DONE THE COUNTY COULD USE THE NEXTERA WELL FOR FIRE PROTECTION; TIM SAID HE AND JAY PRATER, METEOROLOGIST WITH KAKE NEWS, WILL BE AT DILLONS ON TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2016 FROM 3:30 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M. TO PROGRAM WEATHER RADIOS.

MARK MCMANAMAN, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DIRECTOR, REPORTED THE NEW AMBULANCE SHOULD BE HERE THIS WEEK.

SUSAN PAGE AND MIKE PATTON, PRATT REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER, GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT; SUSAN REPORTED THAT SALES TAX COLLECTIONS WERE \$9,719.01 OVER PROJECTIONS; GALE ROSE, PRATT TRIBUNE REPORTER, ASKED HOW PATIENT NUMBERS WERE AND SUSAN RESPONDED THAT PATIENT NUMBERS HAVE REBOUNDED AND DOING LOTS OF SURGERIES.

MARK MCMANAMAN, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DIRECTOR AND DEBRA MCGRAW, HEALTH DIRECTOR, ASKED FOR A FIFTEEN MINUTES EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL; COMMISSIONER WARD MADE A MOTION AT 4:38 P.M. TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR FIFTEEN MINUTES TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 4:53 P.M. TO RETURN

FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NOTHING TO REPORT. COMMISSIONER WARD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER WARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 25, 2016 MEETING. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

ROBERT SCHMISSEUR, COUNTY COUNSELOR, REPORTED THAT DOUG FREUND AND TIM BRANSCOM HAVE BEEN ON TOP OF THE NEXTERA PROJECT AND DOING A GOOD JOB AND APPRECIATE WORKING WITH THEM; KDHE WANTS ANOTHER MONITORING WELL ON THE HOSPITAL GROUNDS BUT WILL WAIT UNTIL AFTER THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT IS COMPLETE.

KIM DECLUE, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR, AND CAROL MEYER, KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE REGIONAL PROJECT MANAGER, DISCUSSED THE RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE PROGRAM; FIVE YEARS AGO WAS WHEN THE PROGRAM STARTED; LAST YEAR THE STATE CONTINUED THE PROGRAM FOR ANOTHER FIVE YEARS; THE COUNTIES INVOLVED PASSED A RESOLUTION AND SIGNED UP FOR FIVE YEARS; PRATT HAS QUITE A WAITING LIST; KIM SAID SHE HAS CALLS MONTHLY TO SEE WHERE APPLICANTS ARE ON THE WAIT LIST; CAROL SAID THE COUNTY NEEDS TO PASS ANOTHER RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE THE PROGRAM FOR ANOTHER FIVE YEARS; ROBERT SCHMISSEUR, COUNTY COUNSELOR, ASKED IF THE PROGRAM IS EXEMPT FROM NEW STATE TAX LID LAW; CAROL SAID SHE WOULD HAVE TO FIND OUT.

COMMISSIONER WARD MADE A MOTION TO SIGN PAYMENT VOUCHERS FOR MAY 2, 2016. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

VERNON CHINN, SHERIFF, WAS PRESENT FOR THE OPENING OF BIDS ON THE 1992 CADILLAC; THERE WAS ONE BID FOR \$200 FROM TRAIK PELITER; COMMISSIONERS ACCEPTED THE BID.

RICH SANDERS, JILL HODGKINSON, GARY BARKER, TOWNSHIP #12 BOARD MEMBERS, MARK MCMANAMAN AND JAY BAILEY, TOWNSHIP #12 FIRE CHIEF, MET WITH THE COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF TOWNSHIP 12; PRESENTED A COUNTY ASSISTANCE REQUEST FOR WIND FARM FIRE PROTECTION; TOWNSHIP 12 WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A QUICK RESPONSE UNIT; IT WOULD BE A HIGH SPEED 4 WHEEL DRIVE RAPID RESPONSE VEHICLE WITH 500 GALLONS OF WATER; KINGMAN COUNTY WAS PROVIDED WITH NEW TRUCKS FOR THREE DIFFERENT FIRE DISTRICTS WITH WIND FARM PAYMENTS; TOWNSHIP #12 WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A 2017 FORD F-550 SUPERCAB CAB & CHASSIS XL 4X4 V10 GASOLINE ENGINE; BASE BID IS \$41,392; EMERGENCY FIRE EQUIPMENT PACKAGE IS \$53,576.70; MISCELLANEOUS HOSES, NOZZLES ETC. ESTIMATE IS \$5000; TOTAL COST \$99,968.70; ALSO ASKING FOR \$10,000 FOR ANNUAL EXPENSES; COMMISSIONER BORHO ASKED IF THE TOWNSHIP COULD PAY FOR THE TRUCK AND GET REIMBURSED; RICH SAID THEY COULD ORDER LATE THIS YEAR; MARK SAID IT WOULD TAKE 8-9 MONTHS TO GET THE CHASSIS; DISCUSSED USING A LOCAL BANK FOR LEASE PURCHASE IF NECESSARY; COMMISSIONER WARD ASKED HOW MANY FIRES THEY PUT OUT LAST YEAR AND JILL HODGKINSON, TREASURER, SAID 22; COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION TO REIMBURSE TOWNSHIP #12 \$99,968.70 FOR THE 2017 FORD F-550 CHASSIS WITH EMERGENCY FIRE EQUIPMENT PACKAGE, MISCELLANEOUS HOSES, NOZZLES, ETC. AND ANNUAL EXPENSE REQUEST OF \$5000 AFTER RECEIPT OF THE PAYMENT FROM NINNESCAH WIND ENERGY LLC IN MARCH 2017. COMMISSIONER WARD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 2-0. COMMISSIONER WARD ABSTAINED FROM VOTING.

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COMMISSIONER WARD MADE A MOTION AT 6:50 P.M. TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. MEETING ADJOURNED.

JOE R. REYNOLDS CHAIRMAN

DAVID L. WARD MEMBER

ATTEST:

SHERRY KRUSE, COUNTY CLERK

GLENN L. BORHO MEMBER