

THE PRATT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2016 AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSION ROOM, COURTHOUSE, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: JOE REYNOLDS, DAVID L. WARD AND GLENNA L. BORHO. ALSO PRESENT WERE ROBERT SCHMISSEUR, COUNTY COUNSELOR, GALE ROSE, PRATT TRIBUNE REPORTER AND SHERRY KRUSE, COUNTY CLERK.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

TIM BRANSCOM, EMERGENCY MANAGER/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, REMINDED CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ABOUT THE MEETING WITH THE SAWYER CITY COUNCIL TONIGHT CONCERNING ZONING; BICKLEY FOSTER WILL ALSO BE THERE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS; WILL MEET WITH THE PRESTON CITY COUNCIL NEXT WEEK.

JASON WINKEL, LANDFILL/RECYCLING MANAGER, INFORMED THE COMMISSIONERS THE STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN HAS BEEN UPDATED BY ALLIED ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES; THE PLAN HAD NOT BEEN UPDATED SINCE 2005; EPA NOTIFIED THEM IT NEEDED TO BE UPDATED; PRESENTED A SIX MONTH UPDATE ON RECYCLING AND LANDFILL; TOTAL FIBER IS UP 11.2 TON; PLASTIC UP 1.8 TONS; METAL/GLASS UP 2.3 TONS; LANDFILL TONNAGE FOR ALL WASTE IS DOWN 1,323.9 TONS; TOTAL RECYCLING IS UP 7.6 TONS; DIVERSION RATE SO FAR IN 2016 IS 6.45%; ATTENDING THE SWANA CONFERENCE IN WICHITA OCTOBER 5 & 6; ROBERT SCHMISSEUR, COUNTY COUNSELOR, DISCUSSED A LETTER FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE ABOUT REGISTERING FOR SCRAP METAL; SINCE WE ARE NOT DEALING IN SCRAP METAL MR. SCHMISSEUR SAID HE WILL RESPOND TO THEIR LETTER.

ROBERT SCHMISSEUR, COUNTY COUNSELOR, ASKED FOR A FIVE MINUTE EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL LITIGATION AND ASKED THAT DOUG FREUND, ROAD AND BRIDGE DIRECTOR, BE PRESENT; COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 4:15 P.M. TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR FIVE MINUTES TO CONSULT WITH THE COUNTY COUNSELOR CONCERNING POTENTIAL LITIGATION AND DOUG FREUND BE PRESENT. COMMISSIONER WARD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 4:20 P.M. TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NOTHING TO REPORT. COMMISSIONER WARD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. DOUG INFORMED THE COMMISSIONERS THEY HAVE STARTED WINTER HOURS 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.; WORKING WITH KIRKHAM MICHAEL ON THE NORTH EAST AREA OF THE COUNTY SIGN PROJECT; FINISHED SEALING; HAVE NOT RECEIVED THE FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS.

TERRY OLSEN, PRATT COUNTY UNITED WAY, ASKED ABOUT PLACING A SIGN ON THE NORTH WEST CORNER OF THE COURTHOUSE LAWN TO INDICATE HOW MUCH MONEY HAS BEEN RAISED DURING THEIR FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN; NEW SIGN WILL BE SMALLER AND EASIER TO HANDLE; RUSS RAMBAT ASKED THAT TERRY GET PERMISSION FROM THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO PUT UP THE SIGN; MIKE DAY IS CONTACTING DIG SAFE; PLAN TO INSTALL A PERMANENT HOLDER AT GROUND LEVEL FOR THE SIGN TO BE PUT IN EVERY YEAR THAT WOULD HAVE A CAP OVER THE TOP; COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE REQUEST; UNITED WAY HAS SEEN A REDUCTION IN FUNDS OVER THE YEARS; BUDGET FOR THIS YEAR IS \$40,000.

COMMISSIONER WARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 26, 2016 MEETING. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS SIGNED A LETTER TO THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ASKING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THEIR THOUGHTS ON THE CASEY'S TRUCK STOP AND THE ENTRANCE(S).

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

ROBERT SCHMISSEUR, COUNTY COUNSELOR, GAVE AN OVERVIEW OF THE REQUEST FROM JOHN DAUNER TO CLOSE A MINIMUM MAINTENANCE ROAD THAT RUNS BETWEEN TWO PASTURES; MR. DAUNER ADDRESSED THE BOARD ABOUT SIX WEEKS AGO AND REQUESTED THE MINIMUM MAINTENANCE ROAD BE CLOSED THAT RUNS BETWEEN TWO PASTURE TRACKS; KSA 68-102 STATES THAT THE COUNTY IS REQUIRED TO GIVE NOTICE TO ADJOINING LANDOWNERS; MR. SCHMISSEUR HAS WRITTEN CONFIRMATION FROM THE ADJOINING LANDOWNERS; JOHN DAUNER, MR & MRS MARION STROBEL, GARY WATSON, DOROTHY HUFFMAN, DOUG FREUND WERE PRESENT FOR THE DISCUSSION; CONCERNS WERE VOICED ABOUT CLOSING THE ROAD AND LOSING ACCESS EVEN THOUGH THE ROAD HAS NOT BEEN USED FOR SEVERAL YEARS; NEIGHBORS WERE ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT TRUCK TRAFFIC FROM THE FEEDLOT; THE ROADS IN THE AREA ARE NOT IN GOOD CONDITION AND HAVE WATER HOLES AND DEEP RUTS; MR. STROBEL ASKED IF IT WAS OK FOR THE LANDOWNERS TO MAINTAIN THE ROAD; MR. SCHMISSEUR SAID HE DIDN'T THINK THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WOULD ENDORSE HAVING CITIZENS WORK ON THE ROADS BECAUSE OF THE LIABILITY; MR. STROBEL ALSO COMPLAINED ABOUT KIDS COMING OUT ON THE ROADS AND USING THEM FOR MUDDING WITH THEIR FOUR WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES; COMMISSIONERS ASKED DOUG FREUND, ROAD AND BRIDGE DIRECTOR, TO WORK WITH THE CITIZENS ON THE OTHER ROAD ISSUES.

COMMISSIONER WARD MADE A MOTION TO VACATE NW 50TH ST BETWEEN 30TH AVE AND 40TH AVE. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER WARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 10-03-16 VACATING A PUBLIC ROADWAY. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:40 P.M. COMMISSIONER WARD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. MEETING ADJOURNED.

JOE REYNOLDS CHAIRMAN

DAVID L. WARD MEMBER

ATTEST:

SHERRY KRUSE, COUNTY CLERK

GLENN L. BORHO MEMBER