

THE PRATT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2019 AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE COURTHOUSE COMMISSION ROOM WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: JOE R. REYNOLDS, GLENNA L. BORHO AND THOMAS W. JONES III. ROBERT SCHMISSEUR, COUNTY COUNSELOR, FRAN BROWNELL, PRATT TRIBUNE REPORTER AND SHERRY KRUSE, COUNTY CLERK WERE ALSO PRESENT.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

DOUG FREUND, ROAD & BRIDGE DIRECTOR/LAKE SUPERVISOR, REPORTED THE REPAIRS AT THE LAKE ARE COMING ALONG QUICKLY; CONTACTING KIRKHAM MICHAEL ENGINEERS FOR WEIGHT RATINGS ON LOFT AREAS IN COUNTY BUILDINGS FROM A KWORCC INSPECTION; MOWING AND DOING ROAD MAINTENANCE.

SCOTT HARRIS, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DIRECTOR, PRESENTED THE 2020 BUDGET REQUEST; 3.87% INCREASE FROM LAST YEAR; ASKED FOR A FIVE-MINUTE EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL; COMMISSIONER JONES MADE A MOTION AT 4:15 P.M. TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR FIVE MINUTES TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL. COMMISSIONER BORHO 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 JONES SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

CATHERINE ROHRER, SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS DIRECTOR, REPORTED SHE IS FILLING SOME VACANCIES ON THE JUVENILE ADVISORY BOARD; CHIEF OF POLICE, NATE HUMBLE WILL FILL ONE POSITION AND JOSH SWARTZ, SUPERINTENDENT USD 361; COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT NATE HUMBLE, PRATT CITY CHIEF OF POLICE AND JOSH SWARTZ, SUPERINTENDENT USD 361 TO THE JUVENILE ADVISORY BOARD. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. CATHERINE ASKED FOR A THREE-MINUTE EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL; COMMISSIONER JONES MADE A MOTION AT 4:25 P.M. TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THREE MINUTES TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION AT 4:28 P.M. TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NOTHING TO REPORT. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

TIFFANY AILSTOCK, RSVP DIRECTOR, PRESENTED CHECKS FOR THE COMMISSIONERS TO APPROVE AND SIGN.

RACHAL HARPER, DCCCA PROGRAM COORDINATOR, SUBMITTED THE 2020 BUDGET REQUEST OF \$55,000 THE SAME AS LAST YEAR; DCCCA-PRATT OFFERS SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT SERVICES; DATA FROM THOSE SERVED IN PRATT COUNTY DURING THE MOST RECENT 12 MONTH PERIOD INCLUDE: 163 INDIVIDUALS PARTICIPATED IN EDUCATION AND TREATMENT SERVICES; 24 INDIVIDUALS PARTICIPATED IN INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT TREATMENT; 69% OF TREATMENT CLIENTS WERE MEN; 81 COUNTY RESIDENTS WERE ASSESSED FOR THE PRESENCE OF A SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER, AND AN ADDITIONAL 59 REFERRED BY THE COURTS FOR EVALUATIONS; 30 INDIVIDUALS WITH SEVERE SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS COMPLETED RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT THEN RETURN TO THE PRATT PROGRAM FOR OUTPATIENT CARE; 55% WERE UNINSURED, 17% HAD TREATMENT REIMBURSED BY COURT FUNDS, 8% HAD MEDICAID, 8% WERE FUNDED BY CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS, 6% HAD PRIVATE INSURANCE AND 6% USED THEIR OWN RESOURCES; METHAMPHETAMINE CONTINUES TO BE THE PRIMARY DRUG OF CHOICE FOR INDIVIDUALS ADMITTED TO TREATMENT SERVICES; THE KANSAS PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING SYSTEM, KTRACS, INDICATED 9,110 OPIOID PRESCRIPTIONS WERE WRITTEN IN PRATT COUNTY IN 2017, MORE THAN 1 PRESCRIPTION FOR EACH ADULT AND CHILD LIVING IN THE AREA; THOSE PRESCRIPTIONS TOTAL 741,980 PILLS; EVEN THOUGH PRESCRIBING RATES HAVE DECREASED SINCE 2012, PRATT COUNTY WAS IDENTIFIED WITH THE HIGHEST OPIOID PRESCRIPTION RATE PER CAPITA IN KANSAS; CHILDREN BEING REMOVED FROM THE HOME DUE TO PARENTAL SUBSTANCE USE HAS RISEN ABOVE THE STATE AVERAGE; PERCENTAGE OF JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS REPORTING ALCOHOL USE DECREASED IN 2018; VAPING IS A GROWING PROBLEM AMONG TEENS AND PRE-TEENS; ADULT AND YOUTH DRUG ARRESTS DECREASED IN 2017 FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 2013; THIS RATE FOR PRATT COUNTY IS NOW BELOW THE STATE AVERAGE; COUNTY DOLLARS WILL ALLOW DCCCA-PRATT TO CONTINUE COURT EVALUATIONS FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT HAVE THE ABILITY TO PAY.

SHERIFF WHITE HAD NOTHING TO REPORT.

DARCIE VAN DER VYVER, HEALTH DIRECTOR, REMINDED THE COMMISSIONERS THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT WILL BE CLOSED WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY THIS WEEK SO EMPLOYEES CAN ATTEND AN IMMUNIZATION CONFERENCE; REQUESTED A FIVE-MINUTE EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL; COMMISSIOSNER JONES MADE A MOTION AT 4:44 P.M. TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR FIVE MINUTES TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. AT 4:49 P.M. COMMISSIONER BORHO MOVED TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NOTHING TO REPORT AND GO BACK INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL FOR ANOTHER FIVE MINUTES. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER BORHO MADE A MOTION TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NOTHING TO REPORT AT 4:54 P.M. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. DARICE REPORTED SHE IS WORKING ON YEAR END GRANT REPORTS DUE BY JULY 15.

BILLY HAMPTON, PRATT COUNTY FIRE CHIEF, REPORTED THERE WILL BE A RESCUE JACK TRAINING CLASS ON JUNE 29, 2019 AT 9:00 A.M. AND HE IS INVITING OTHER FIRE DEPARTMENTS; NEW BUNKER GEAR SHOULD ARRIVE THIS WEEK.

CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING ON CASE NO. SU-2019-02 FOR AN APPLICATION TO CONSTRUCT A COMMUNICATIONS TOWER AS A SPECIAL USE IN THE A-1 AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT. CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ASKED IF ANY BOARD MEMBERS INTEND TO DISQUALIFY THEMSELVES BECAUSE THEY HAVE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND NO BOARD MEMBER DISQUALIFIED THEMSELVES. CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ASKED IF THE COUNTY CLERK HAD RECEIVED ANY PROTEST PETITIONS ON THE CASE AND SHERRY KRUSE, COUNTY CLERK, RESPONDED THERE HAD NOT BEEN ANY FILED. CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ASKED IF THE PLANNING BOARD RECEIVED ANY COMMENTS FROM A CITY ON THIS CASE AND TIM BRANSCOM, ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, SAID NO. CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ASKED IF ALL BOARD MEMBERS HAVE RECEIVED COPIES OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE PLANNING BOARD FOR MAY 20, 2019 WHICH SUMMARIZES THE HEARING ON THE CASE AND THEY RESPONDED YES. CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ASKED TIM BRANSCOM, ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, TO PROVIDE A REPORT ON THE CASE AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING BOARD. MR. BRANSCOM REPORTED ON CASE NO. SU-2019-02 FROM VERTICAL BRIDGE DEVELOPMENT II, LLC TO CONSTRUCT A WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY IN THE AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT LOCATED NORTH OF NW 110TH ST APPROXIMATELY 0.4 MILES EAST OF THE INTERSECTION WITH NW 140TH AVE IN NORTHWEST PRATT COUNTY. APPLICANT HAS AGREED TO ALL CONDITIONS LISTED BELOW:

1. A security fence of at least six feet in height must be maintained around the tower at all times.
2. The tower shall conform to the Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) painting and lighting recommendations set forth on the structure's FAA determination of "no hazard".
3. Applicant shall submit a FAA Determination of No Hazard letter prior to construction.
4. Applicant shall coordinate with the Pratt County Road Supervisor for any entrances/exits to ensure they meet current requirements.

MR. BRANSCOM REPORTED THERE WERE NO OBJECTIONS FROM THE PLANNING BOARD MEETING. THE APPLICANT WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE HEARING. CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ASKED IF ANYONE FROM THE PUBLIC HAD ANY COMMENTS AND TERRY SMITH RESPONDED THAT HE WAS IN FAVOR OF THE PROJECT. COMMISSIONER BORHO MOVED TO ADOPT THE FINDINGS AND FACTORS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLANNING BOARD ON CASE NO. SU-2019-02 AND TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 06-10-19a. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

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CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS STATED THAT PERSONS AGGRIEVED BY THE FINAL DECISION OF THE BOARD ON THIS MATTER HAVE 30 DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTUATING RESOLUTION IS PUBLISHED WITHIN WHICH TO APPEAL TO DISTRICT COURT. THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN THIS CASE.

CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING ON CASE NO. SU-2019-03 FOR AN APPLICATION TO CONSTRUCT A HUNTING LODGE AND VENUE BUILDING IN THE A-1 AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT. CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ASKED IF ANY BOARD MEMBERS INTEND TO DISQUALIFY THEMSELVES BECAUSE THEY HAVE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND NO BOARD MEMBER DISQUALIFIED THEMSELVES. CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ASKED IF THE COUNTY CLERK HAD RECEIVED ANY PROTEST PETITIONS ON THE CASE AND SHERRY KRUSE, COUNTY CLERK, RESPONDED THERE HAD NOT BEEN ANY FILED. CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ASKED IF THE PLANNING BOARD RECEIVED ANY COMMENTS FROM A CITY ON THIS CASE AND TIM BRANSCOM, ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, SAID NO. CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ASKED IF ALL BOARD MEMBERS HAVE RECEIVED COPIES OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE PLANNING BOARD FOR MAY 20, 2019 WHICH SUMMARIZES THE HEARING ON THE CASE AND THEY RESPONDED YES. CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ASKED TIM BRANSCOM, ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, TO PROVIDE A REPORT ON THE CASE AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING BOARD. MR. BRANSCOM REPORTED ON CASE NO. SU-2019-03 REGARDING BRANDON HENDRIX, 70157 E HIGHWAY 54 IN PRATT COUNTY, KS FOR A HUNTING LODGE AND GENERAL USE BUILDING. THE LODGE WILL BE A ONE STORY 40'X50' BUILDING WITH FOUR BEDROOMS, LIVING AND DINING AREA, KITCHEN, CLEANING ROOM AND TWO BATHROOMS WITH SHOWERS. APPLICANT HAS AGREED TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

1. Applicant shall submit a site plan for approval identifying at a minimum, the location of the hunting lodge/general use building, water runoff direction, entrances and exits, additional structures, location of lighting and any other special features that are specific to this type of operation.
2. Applicant will obtain all appropriate water and sanitation permits for wells and sanitation systems.
3. Lighting will be adjusted away from roads and local residences as much as possible
4. Future structures shall obtain approval through the Pratt County Zoning office prior to construction.
5. Applicant will coordinate with county road supervisor to ensure entrances/exits meet local requirements.
6. No more than 8 (eight) dogs shall be boarded on the premises for each lodge at any given time.
7. All signs must meet the requirements as set forth in the Zoning Regulations of Pratt County, KS.
8. Applicant shall submit a facility emergency plan to the County Zoning Administrator prior to opening.
9. Smoke detectors shall be installed in all sleeping rooms and at least one in the kitchen/dining/living area and one in the cleaning room.
11. Portable fire extinguishers shall be installed in accordance with State and National Fire Protection Association Life Safety Code standards.
12. Applicant must apply for a zoning permit through the Pratt County Zoning office prior to construction to ensure all pre-construction conditions have been met. An occupancy permit shall be applied for after completion of construction to ensure all conditions have been met.

CHAIRMAN REYNOLDS ASKED IF THE APPLICANT HAD ANY OTHER INFORMATION TO PRESENT. THE APPLICANT WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE HEARING AND NO ONE FROM THE PUBLIC WAS PRESENT TO PROVIDE ANY COMMENTS OR NEW INFORMATION. COMMISSIONER BORHO MOVED TO ADOPT THE FINDINGS AND FACTORS

AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLANNING BOARD ON CASE NO. SU-2019-03 AND TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 06-10-19b. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

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COMMISSIONER JONES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE \$9360 INVOICE FROM KIRKHAM MICHAEL, ELLSWORTH, KS FOR THE SITE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

ROBERT SCHMISSEUR, COUNTY COUNSELOR, SUBMITTED THE 2020 BUDGET FOR PUBLIC DEFENDERS; BOTH CURRENT PUBLIC DEFENDERS ARE WILLING TO CONTINUE; DISCUSSED FARM TENANT LEASES; INFORMED THE BOARD HE IS RETIRING SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 OR WHEN A REPLACEMENT IS FOUND.

COMMISSIONER JONES MADE A MOTION TO SIGN THE PAYMENT VOUCHERS FOR JUNE 10, 2019. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER JONES MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:35 P.M. COMMISSIONER BORHO SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. MEETING ADJOURNED.

JOE R. REYNOLDS CHAIRMAN

GLENN L. BORHO MEMBER

ATTEST:

SHERRY KRUSE, COUNTY CLERK

THOMAS W. JONES III MEMBER