

ELLSWORTH COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

March 13, 2017

The Board of Ellsworth County Commissioners convened this 13th day of March 2017 at the Ellsworth County Courthouse.

Members Present:

Albert W. Oller, 1st District Commissioner

Kermit Rush, 2nd District Commissioner

Stephen S. Dlabal, Jr, 3rd District Commissioner

OPENING BUSINESS:

Chairman Oller called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Oller moved to approve the Agenda with changes. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Oller moved to approve the Minutes of March 6, 2017. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Billy Kryger, Pastor of the Smoky Hill Baptist Church in Ellsworth, was in attendance but did not wish to address the Commissioners.

APPOINTMENTS:

Abby Janssen, Event coordinator for Ellsworth's 150th Anniversary, asked Commissioners for their blessing and a \$5,000.00 donation. Ms. Janssen is meeting with all the Cities Councils and wanted to make sure the County has a chance for their input. Also in attendance were: Stacie Schmidt, Scott Moore, Alan Stefek and Dru Richards.

At the request of the Commissioners, the call from Bill Lawrence, Spyglass Group Sales Director was declined.

Brenda Buehler, Health Department Supervisor, presented a grant application to Commissioners. She will send a signed application to the State of Kansas.

At the request of **Rick Nondorf, Road & Bridge Supervisor**, Commissioner Rush moved to go into executive session for preliminary discussions relating to the acquisition of real property. Commissioner Oller seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. At 10:25 a.m., Commissioners returned to open session with no action taken. Commissioner Oller told Mr. Nondorf he had received complaints about basketball size holes between Holyrood and Bushton on 5th road. Mr. Nondorf said he would look at the road but they could not work on it until warmer weather.

Paul Kasper, County Attorney, requested to buy 25 urine strip tests. The strips would be used for Courts, County, Cities and Juvenile services out of County general (diversion monies). Commissioner

Rush made a motion to approve to pay \$75.00 for urine test strips out of County general. Commissioner Oller seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Murray Marston, Sheriff, inquired if the electrical work and the black mold renovation could be paid for out of the County Building fund. Commissioner Rush made the motion to pay Hawks Services LLC \$5,025.83 out of the County Building fund. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Dlabal made a motion for the prepayment of \$10,000.00 to H.I.S. Companies LLC to be taken out of the County Building fund. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioners told Murray to take care of buying the portable generator for the phone lines in Courthouse boiler room.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Oller made the motion to approve raises for nine employees starting for the March payroll as requested by Road & Bridge Supervisor. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Rush made a motion to approve abatement, Holyrood Recreation Fund for \$9,469.91. Commissioner Oller seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Oller moved to approve **Resolution 17R08, a Resolution imposing a one-half percent county-wide sales tax**. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the information. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Oller adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Shelly D. Vopat, County Clerk