

ELLSWORTH COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

May 13, 2019

The Board of Ellsworth County Commissioners convened this 13th day of May 2019 at the Ellsworth County Courthouse.

Members Present:

Dennis L. Rolfs, 1st District Commissioner

Kermit Rush, 2nd District Commissioner

Stephen S. Dlabal, 3rd District Commissioner

OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Rolfs moved to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Rush moved to approve the Minutes for May 6, 2019 as printed. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC FORUM:

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

APPOINTMENTS:

Brenda Buehler & Kerianne Ehrlich, representing the Health Department, presented the 2020 budget request for \$371,681, an increase of \$4,427 or 1.21%. Ms. Buehler, Health Department Supervisor, pointed out the main increase was education materials on the new state program, Becoming a Mom. Ms. Ehrlich said they also increased the 2020 training line item substantially as a result of Ms. Buehler retiring May 31, 2019 and both Health Nurses being fairly new to the Health Department. Ms. Ehrlich is taking over as supervisor after Ms. Buehler's retirement.

Stacie Schmidt, Smoky Hill Economic Development Director, supplied her Profit and Loss Report as requested from the Commissioners on May 6, 2019. Commissioner Rush thanked Ms. Schmidt for supplying them the report. In previous years, they had not received this report.

Jeremiah Brown, EMS Director, displayed a bid from Doubrava Woodworking for 3 (three) steel doors for the front of the EMS building. After discussing the EMS building's needs,

Commissioner Rush made a motion to allow EMS to pay for 2 doors out of the County building fund not to exceed \$5,200 to Doubrava Woodworking. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Brown informed Commissioners of the water damage the building received due to the windows leaking. He was concerned over the mold that maybe in the walls. The County Clerk said she would contact KCAMP, the county's insurance company, to file a claim so this matter will be handled correctly.

Ron Etchison handed out Kansas maps on the projections of the population for individuals 65 or older in the next 10 years and a graph on the projections for just Ellsworth County of 60 plus individuals for the next 40 years.

Rick Nondorf, Road & Bridge Supervisor, requested Chairman Dlabal to sign the federal exchange letter he received from the State of Kansas. Regarding the complaint from Gary Oller at last week's Commissioner meeting, Mr. Nondorf is willing to help Mr. Oller with the work on his driveway; however the damage to the fence was due to the substantial amount of rain the county has received in the last year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Rush made a motion to allow the Health Department to pay Choitz Electric \$800 for the electricity work when installing the new handicap doors. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Dlabal adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

Shelly D. Vopat, County Clerk

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