

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session with Commissioner Harold McCullick, Commissioner Kathy M Luthi, Commissioner Ray McGavran, and County Clerk Mary Arganbright.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Luthi.

The official minutes of April 2, 2007, were read, approved, and signed.

Commissioner McCullick moved to appoint Russell Thornton in place of the retirement of Kenny Wilcox on the Fire Department #2. Commissioner McGavran seconded. Motion carried.

John Cashatt, Schwab-Eaton, and John Copple, Highway Administrator, talked to the commissioners about the next cell that needs to be put in at the landfill. John thought they would want to put in at least 2 cells and possibly three. The commissioners signed the Agreement For Engineering Services CD Landfill Development with Schwab-Eaton, PA, to construct between 2-3 new cells at the landfill. John talked on the progress on the Rainbow Bridge.

The commissioners signed Resolution 07-16, pertaining to the possible closing of a road: Beginning on Ivy Road from 210th Road, East to 220th Road, One (1) Mile, between Sections Twenty-Two (22) and Section Fifteen (15), Township Eleven (11), Range Two (2), Richland Township, Ottawa County, Kansas.

Bruce Barefield, County Attorney, discuss legal matters.

Commissioner McCullick moved to go into executive session for fifteen minutes at 9:30 a.m. to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner McGavran seconded. Motion carried. Those present were the commissioners and Janice Davidson, Emergency Management. They returned to regular session at 9:45 a.m. No decision was made.

Todd Heitschmidt, Court Administrator, informed the board that Homeland Security was coming May 10 to do a security study.

John Copple, Highway Administrator, talked to the board about the problem with the price for motor graders that Berry Tractor gave last week. Others joining were Ron Karn, and Ken Wasinger, Berry Tractor, and Garrett Clay, Foley Tractor. The commissioners signed the contract for 2 machines from Berry Tractor and 2 machines from Foley Tractor. The commissioners opened the sealed quotes for tire disposal. Champlain-\$80/ton; Resource Management-\$79/ton. Commissioner McCullick moved to accept the quote from Resource Management for \$79/ton for tire clean-up day. Commissioner McGavran seconded. Motion carried. The commissioners opened the sealed quotes for interest rates for the 4 motor graders. Bennington State Bank- 4.2% for 5 years, Tescott State Bank - 6% for 5 years, and Delphos State Bank - 5.25% for 5 years. Commissioner McCullick moved to accept the interest rates from The Bennington State Bank for 4.2% for 5 years lease purchase. Commissioner Luthi seconded. Motion carried. John sent letters out for steel bids, and will open on April 23. It was decided to start getting plans around from Schwab-Eaton PA, for project #C 01, 1.6 miles south of

Bennington for grading and bridges. John said that he will be getting some prices on bridge planks. John discussed part-time summer help.

Richard Pieschl, and Bruce Barefield, County Attorney, met with the commissioners in regards to right-of-way.

Ken White, County Sheriff, gave prisoner count of 58. Ken reported on the camera in the holding cell, that will have better view of the cell than the one in there. It will be \$288, which the commissioners approved.

Kenny Baccus, Noxious Weed Administrator, informed the board that he passed the basic course, and now he's done with all the tests and had passed all.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.