

Cowley County Regular Commission Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 4, 2010

The Board of County Commission met in regular session Tuesday, May 4, 2010 at 9:00 am. Those present were Chairman Alan Groom, Vice Chairman Gary Wilson and Commissioner Dick Bonfy. Also present was Leroy Alsup, County Administrator, Karen Defore, County Clerk and Bill Taylor, County Counselor. Also in attendance were Tamra Watson, Tami Shaw, Linda Misasi, Tom Boese, Bob Mathews, Pat McCurdy, Bruce Russell, Debbie Crawford, Jim McGuire, Ilene Rhodman, Dawn Powell, Don Read and Allen Twitchell.

- Pastor Tom Boese, First Church of the Nazarene delivered the invocation.
- Commissioner Bonfy stated that in the minutes from the meeting April 27, 2010 Bill Taylor, County Counselor attended the executive session and his name was left out of the motion in the typed minutes. Commissioner Bonfy moved, Vice Chairman Wilson seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular County Commission Meeting held on April 27, 2010 as corrected. Vote 3-0
- Vice Chairman Wilson moved, Commissioner Bonfy seconded to approve the payment of the claims for the period of April 21, 2010 through May 4, 2010, check numbers 151598 through 151730 totaling \$185,808.00. Vote 3-0
- Leroy Alsup, County Administrator addressed Commissioners regarding Resolution No. 2010-06 which establishes a new Cowley County Community Developmental Disability Organization (CDDO) to be organized as a department of Cowley County, Kansas Government and to be operated in accordance with the Developmental Disabilities Reform Act (K.S.A. 39-1801 et seq) and Article 64 of the Kansas Administrative Regulations, subject to approval by the Commissioner of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities and creating a new fund 150 within the County so as not to comingle funds with other county funds. It also establishes by laws of the Cowley County CDDO Advisory Board. Mr. Alsup stated concerns with the current CDDO had tried to be addressed but no agreement could be reached. A meeting was set up with the four primary service providers in Cowley County and also with Kansas SRS to establish the Cowley County CDDO. Bill Taylor, county Counselor stated he looked at the Resolution and by laws and finds them in order. Linda Masasi, Director of Creative Community Living addressed Commissioners stating they are in full support of the change. Bob Mathews, former Board Member of Cowley County Developmental Services also stated he is in full support of the change. After some discussion, Commissioner Wilson moved, Chairman Groom seconded to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2010-06. Vote 3-0

- Chairman Groom opened the public hearing on Nuisance Property Case 2010-04. Jim McGuire, Environmental Technician, City-Cowley County Health Department addressed Commissioners regarding the property. Bruce Russell, property owner spoke to Commissioners regarding the history of the property and the problems with the landowner that made the complaint. Mr. Russell stated the road leading to Mr. Armitage's property is a private road that has a right-of-way on Mr. Russell's property that leads past the pictures taken. There being no additional owner, mortgagee or party of interest in the property at 2494 82nd Road, Udall, Kansas who chooses to at this time either file an answer to the complaint, to appear in person or otherwise and give testimony on this matter, Chairman Groom moved, Vice Chairman Groom seconded to close the public hearing. Vote 3-0
- Chairman Groom moved, Commissioner Bonfy seconded to adopt the Clean-up Order for the unfit Structure/Nuisance property Case No. 2010-04. Vote 3-0
- Jim McGuire, Environmental Technician, City-Cowley County Health Department addressed Commissioners regarding past Nuisance/Blighted Property Cases. Commissioners stated Case No. 2009-012 should be marked as complete. Case No. 2009-011 will be given until next Commission meeting to be finished. Commissioners requested Mr. McGuire to keep in contact with other property owners to continue progress.
- Chairman Groom moved, Commissioner Bonfy seconded to approve for execution the Right-of-Way Work permit application submitted by Kansas Gas Service to install a 2" gas line extension at the location of the new South Central Kansas Regional Medical Center in Patterson Addition; approximately 1300' north of 242nd Road and 20' east of the centerline of 61st Road. Vote 3-0
- Commissioner Bonfy moved, Vice Chairman Wilson seconded to exercise the FY2009 audit engagement option with Edw. B. Stephenson & Company, Certified Public Accountants to both prepare and audit the County's financial statements and note disclosures for the year ended December 31, 2009. Vote 3-0
- Leroy Alsup, County Administrator addressed Commissioners regarding a request from the City of Atlanta for support for the annual Atlanta Labor Day Celebration. For any future requests, Commissioners request a representative from the community attend the meeting to allow the Commissioners to ask questions regarding the scheduled event. Vice Chairman Wilson moved, Commissioner Bonfy seconded to grant the sum of \$1,000 to the City of Atlanta in support of their annual Atlanta Labor Day Celebration. Vote 3-0

- Sheriff Don Read addressed Commissioners regarding a reimbursement from the general fund in the amount of \$7,602.92 to the jail commissary checking account for equipment that was purchased with those funds in error. Sheriff Read stated the Commissary Fund has only enough money to purchase items for the inmate canteen. Chairman Groom moved, Commissioner Bonfy seconded to approve the reimbursement from the General Fund to the Jail Commissary Checking Account in the amount of \$7,602.92 for equipment purchases. Vote 3-0
- Commissioners were pleased with the letter Leroy Alsup, County Administrator drafted to Mr. Maruska regarding traffic signals on US 77 adjacent to the Strother Field Industrial Park area.
- Leroy Alsup, County Administrator brought to the Commissioners attention a special meeting that will be called for May 20, 2010 at 6:00 pm at the Senior Center in Arkansas City to discuss Amtrak routes.
- Commissioners signed one journal entry.
- There being no further business, Chairman Groom moved, Vice Chairman Wilson seconded to adjourn at 9:55 am. Vote 3-0

Karen D. Defore
Cowley County Clerk