

Cowley County Regular Commission Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 1, 2010

The Board of County Commission met in regular session Tuesday, June 1, 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 and Karen Defore, County Clerk. Also in attendance were Brian Kuntz, Michael Knapp, Lucas Goff, Reverend Rod Imel, Karen Klein, Merrill Gordon, Darci Weiland, Ilene Rhodman, Jim McGuire, Dale Steward, Allen Twitchell and Linda Young.

- Reverend Rod Imel, Glorious Victory Worship Center delivered the invocation.
- Commissioner Bonfy moved, Chairman Groom seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular County Commission Meeting held on May 25, 2010 as presented. Vote 3-0
- Vice Chairman Wilson moved, Commissioner Bonfy seconded to approve the payment of the claims for the period of May 20, 2010 through June 1, 2010, check numbers 151903 through 152023 totaling \$97,270.93. Vote 3-0
- Conservation District had a scheduling conflict and will present at the next Commission Meeting.
- Brian Kuntz representative of the Dexter Civic Club addressed Commissioners regarding a grant request to the Dexter Civic Club to support the annual Dexter Barbeque Festival. Mr. Kuntz stated this was the 49th year for the Dexter BBQ and they usually serve around 400 people. After some discussion, Vice Chairman Wilson moved, Chairman Groom seconded to grant the sum of \$500 to the Dexter Civic Club in support of their annual Dexter Barbeque Festival. Vote 3-0
- Merrill Gordon, architect from Gordon & Associates addressed Commissioners regarding the bid opening results on the window replacement project on the courthouse. Commissioners discussed the four options, project 1 replacing windows on just the first and second floors north, northern east and west sides of the courthouse, project 2 replacing windows on first floor southern east side and first and second floors of south side, project 3 window replacement first and second floors at courtyard, project 4 entrance doors and glazing. Commissioners determined door replacement could wait. Mr. Alsup stated between Capital Outlay Fund and Special Equipment Fund there were sufficient funds to make up the \$119,400 funds that will be required of the County in addition to the \$144,100 of federal grant money awarded to the County. After some discussion, Chairman Groom moved, Vice Chairman Wilson seconded to award a contract to Compton Construction Corporation in the sum of \$247,500.00 for phases one, two and three for the Cowley County Courthouse Window Replacement Project funded by the Department of Energy (DOE) Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (Grant Award No. DE-RW0000146). Vote 3-0
- After some discussion on power washing the Courthouse prior to window replacement, Commissioner Bonfy moved, Chairman Groom seconded to award a contract to Restoration and Water Proofing in the sum of \$10,960.00 for power washing the Cowley County Courthouse. Vote 3-0

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- Jim McGuire, Environmental Technician, City-Cowley County Health Department addressed Commissioners regarding nuisance/blighted property cases. Ilene Rhodman owner of Case Number 2009-10 addressed Commissioners and stated she would be getting a dumpster to sit at the property this month and begin more clean up. After some discussion, Commissioners directed Mr. McGuire to write letters to Case numbers 2009-015, 2007-014, 2010-05, 2010-06 and 2010-04 that they need to make substantial progress within the next 30 days or the County will begin action to clean up the property's.
- Jim McGuire, Environmental Technician, City-Cowley County Health Department addressed Commissioners regarding a request for a variance from the sanitary code. The requirement is a 100 feet minimum separation from other properties in an existing Waste Stabilization Pond (Lagoon). Josephine Hammer and James Neal are requesting establishing a property line 27 feet from the high water level of the existing lagoon. After some discussion, Chairman Groom moved, Vice Chairman Wilson seconded to approve the request from Josephine Hammer and James Neal for a variance of the 100 feet minimum separation requirement from other properties as set forth in the Cowley County Sanitary Code for the existing Waste Stabilization Pond (Lagoon) on the Hammer Property, Section 6, Township 32, Range 3 East to a revised 27 feet of separation between the respective properties. Vote 3-0
- Dale Steward, County Engineer addressed Commissioners regarding a replacement agreement for the McCollum Bridge inspection with Algeier Martin. After some discussion, Commissioner Bonfy moved, Vice Chairman Wilson seconded to approve and to authorize the execution of a revised Supplemental No. 02 to Construction Engineering Services Agreement with Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. for the McCollum Bridge Project No. 18C-4045-01. Vote 3-0
- Melody Pappan, Administrator Cowley County Youth Services addressed Commissioners regarding the SFY2011 Grant Conditions for Prevention, Incentive and Graduated Sanctions Block Grant Funding. Ms. Pappan stated areas have been cut in the funding but Cowley County is in better shape than many other agencies in the State. After some discussion, Vice Chairman Wilson moved, Commissioner Bonfy seconded to authorize and direct the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners to execute the Grant Conditions for the SFY2011 Prevention, incentive and Graduated Sanctions Block Grant Funding from the Kansas Juvenile Justice Authority. Vote 3-0
- Darci Weiland, Representative from Cowley County Mental Health addressed Commissioners along with Melody Pappan, Administrator Cowley County Youth Services regarding Title V Grant Application to be submitted as a collaborative effort between the two agencies. The grant requires no matching funds from the County. After some discussion, Chairman Groom moved, Commissioner Bonfy seconded to authorize and direct the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners to execute the Title V Grant Application to be submitted to the Kansas Advisory Group (KAG) on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to fund a collaborative effort between the Cowley County Mental health & Counseling Center and the Cowley County Youth Services and to further authorize and direct the Chairman and other County Officials to execute any additional documents necessary to secure said grant. Vote 3-0
- Melody Pappan, Administrator Cowley County Youth Services and Michael Knapp, Director Community Corrections addressed Commissioners regarding surveillance equipment at the

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Courthouse Annex in the Office Area. Ms. Pappan stated the juvenile holding area is available for utilization 24 hours 7 days a week and there are also extended hours in both Juvenile Services and Community Corrections for client consultations that warrant added security. After some discussion, Commissioner Bonfy moved, Vice Chairman Wilson seconded to authorize Cowley County Youth Services to expend up to \$9,000 to install surveillance equipment in the Cowley County Youth Services and Community Corrections Office Area in the Courthouse Annex. Vote 3-0

- Commissioners discussed South Central Kansas Economic Development District (SCKEDD) membership fees. Commissioners requested staff to contact SCKEDD to schedule a time on the agenda for a representative to discuss the benefits of the membership prior to approving the membership fee payment.
- Commissioners signed one journal entry.
- Commissioners signed abatement 2009-596.
- Chairman Groom moved, Commissioner Bonfy seconded to recess into executive session with the County Administrator for personnel matters of non-elected personnel; to reconvene in this meeting room at 10:30 am. Vote 3-0
- Commissioners returned from executive session, Chairman Groom stated there was no decision made or action taken in the executive session.
- There being no further business, Chairman Groom moved, Vice Chairman Wilson seconded to adjourn at 10:30 am. Vote 3-0

Karen D. Defore
Cowley County Clerk