

Regular Session

July 23rd, 2024 at 8:30 A.M.

Minutes

The Board of Woodson County Commissioners convened for its regular session on July 23rd, 2024 with Vice-Chairman Kevin Stuber, Member Jerry Sedlacek, and County Clerk Amanda DeWitt.

Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve the agenda, Kevin Stuber 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

Minor errors to the minutes needed to be corrected prior to approval.

Bret Heim, county counselor, was not present due to illness

Undersheriff Jared Helkenberg said there was nothing to report for the office but Sheriff Jeff McCullough was having surgery today and planned to return on Thursday.

Cari Cavender submitted the weekly run log for the EMS department. Discussion was had regarding repairing a wall due to drain damage. She plans to wait until the end of the year to check the budget. Plans were made to look for bids in October for the wall. She also plans to replace ceiling tiles that are stained or damaged.

Kevin Stuber motioned for a 10-minute recess to return at 8:45a.m. Jerry 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

Chairman Justin Clark arrived at 8:39a.m.

Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve the July 15<sup>th</sup>, special budget minutes and July 16<sup>th</sup>, regular session minutes. Kevin Stuber 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

Jerry Sedlacek moved to go into executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance for 10-minutes to reconvene at 8:55a.m. with county commissioners, Chris Kuron with the solid waste department, and Amanda DeWitt, county clerk. Kevin Stuber, 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

- Gary Ward brought in photos for a preliminary list of items to sell. He also brought photos of 10<sup>th</sup> road from Carlisle Road going east. Woodson County has a 40 foot right of way but there is no road from Carlisle west. The dirt road has a number, 101 but there is no record of it being closed or vacated. The decision was made not to move forward with the land owner request to repair the road.

Gary Ward also had photos of other sections of Carlisle Road and discussed vacating a portion it that contains a closed bridge. Further discussion was postponed until the county counselor was present.

Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance for 12 minutes to reconvene at 9:30 a.m. with the county commissioners, Gary Ward, and Amanda DeWitt, county clerk. Kevin Stuber 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

Gary Ward would like to notify landowners to remove items attached to bridges. This is not good for the structural integrity of the bridge and hinders maintenance. Further discussion was tabled until the county counselor is present.

Michelle Zimmerman presented the wage sheet for Steve Thompson, county appraiser. Kevin Stuber motioned to approve the wage sheet for Steve Thompson part-time county appraiser. Justin Clark 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

McKinze pest control company was bought out by an out of state company. Michelle Zimmerman asked if the commissioners would like to get bids from local companies. Justin Clark will reach out to Jared McVey to have him work on getting new bids for the county buildings.

Michelle Zimmerman presented a NRP application for Maria and Quentin Stoll for a new house build on Navajo Road. Jerry Sedlacek moved to sign and approve the NRP application. Kevin 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

John Atkin IV is attended the homeland security meeting and is requesting to be appointed as the Woodson County representative with the SEK Regional Homeland Security. Further discussion was tabled until current resolution number is found.

John Atkin IV requested to apply with the registrar to hold the .gov domain for Woodson County. It can be considered a security and trust issue due to be vetted. It does not cost anything to apply. Jerry Sedlacek moved to allow the chair to sign the letter requesting domain registration and John Atkin IV as the technical contact, and Michelle Zimmerman as the administrative contact. Kevin Stuber 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

Jerry Sedlacek brought up that at the beginning of January the Sheriff will not longer be in charge of dispatch and the commissioners will be in charge of dispatch. Annette Benteman was not made aware of this change prior to this discussion and would like to discuss it further.

John Atkin IV looked into information regarding the use of the grant purchased laptops and believes it will be ok for us to use them so long as it is on file that they will be used for the intended purposes but he is waiting on verification.

Justin Clark moved to recess into executive session for 7 minutes until 10:20 a.m. to discuss non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance with the commissioners, Annette Benteman, and county clerk. Kevin Stuber 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

Justin Clark moved to recess until 10:30 a.m. Jerry Sedlacek 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

Agricultural vs Recreational Tax use was tabled until the commissioners could speak with Steve Thompson, county appraiser.

Discussion was had and a decision was made not having a meeting on August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 due to it being election day.

It was announced that Ron Solomon was retiring from the zoning board and would need to be replaced. The commissioners agreed to seek volunteers.

Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve the wage sheet for Amanda DeWitt, County Clerk. Kevin Stuber 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

Justin Clark moved to approve to have the chairman sign the notice of revenue neutral rate intent for the county and rural fire. Kevin Stuber 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.


Kevin Stuber moved to have the chairman sign the designation of Amanda DeWitt, county Clerk as the KPERS designated agent. Jerry Sedlacek 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

Kevin Stuber moved to approve to sign vouchers in the amount of \$160,167.04. Jerry Sedlacek 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel to protect confidentiality with the commissioners, the clerk, and the treasurer for 10 minutes until 11:15 a.m. Kevin Stuber 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance and to protect confidentiality with the commissioners and the clerk for 16 minutes until 11:35 a.m. Kevin Stuber 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

Attest:   
Amanda DeWitt, County Clerk

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Justin Clark, Chairman

  
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Kevin Stuber, Vice-Chairman

  
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Jerry Sedlacek, Member