

Commissioner Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, July 1, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Present: Kevin Stuber, Jerry Sedlacek, Amanda DeWitt, and Bret Heim. Justin Clark was absent.

Approval of Agenda

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve the agenda. Kevin Stuber seconded, motion passed.

Approval of Minutes

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve the minutes. Kevin Stuber seconded, motion passed.

Counselor Update

- Bret Heim is working on the coroner appointment and has a meeting this afternoon to discuss it.

Community Presentation

- Lori Trulove from Coffey County came to discuss the local hotel. She is working on purchasing the hotel, but the current owners are two years behind on taxes. She hopes to rehabilitate the building with a café in the lobby and convert some rooms into long-term rentals. Treasurer, Michelle Zimmerman, noted that the county cannot abate taxes on the property.

Wage Sheet Approval

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve the wage sheet for Lauren Schultz for Register of Deeds Clerk. Kevin Stuber seconded, motion passed.

Executive Session: Attorney-Client Privilege

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session for attorney-client privilege with Commissioners, Clerk, Treasurer, and Counselor until 9:50 a.m. Kevin Stuber seconded, motion passed.

Counselor Left

- Bret Heim left at 9:51 a.m.

Treasurer Update

- Michelle Zimmerman shared that she has not received Rural Fire's May department report. She also brought the NRP application that was approved last week for signing.

Sheriff's Department Update

- Jarrod Helkenberg, Undersheriff, reported one vehicle has been returned and another has been sent to COOP for transmission repairs.

Solid Waste Update

- David Waddell is looking into replacing the lock on the bathroom door. Several dumpsters have been sent out for the 4th of July.

Road and Bridge Update

- Todd Green shared the bridge plans and costs, which will be covered by the Special Bridge Fund. The garage door opener in the shop is not working; he received a quote for \$2,300 and will seek another quote. Graders are out fixing washouts and Toronto area is prepped for the 4th.

EMS/EM Director Update

- John Atkin shared that several applications have been received for open positions in the ambulance department and one PRN staff member has expressed interest in a full-time role.

Invoice Approval

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve the invoice from CFS Engineering for Bridge #225 field check plans in the amount of \$39,840.00 to be paid from the Special Bridge Fund. Kevin Stuber seconded, motion passed.

Executive Session: Confidential Data

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session for confidential data with just the Commissioners until 10:20 a.m. Kevin Stuber seconded, motion passed.

Voucher Approval

- Kevin Stuber moved to approve vouchers in the amount of \$161,992.90. Jerry Sedlacek seconded, motion passed.

Executive Session: Non-Elected Personnel


- Kevin Stuber moved to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to reconvene at 10:50 a.m. with Commissioners, Treasurer, and Clerk. Jerry Sedlacek seconded, motion passed.

Adjournment

- Kevin Stuber moved to adjourn at 10:51 a.m. Jerry Sedlacek seconded, motion passed.


Justin Clark, Chairman


Kevin Stuber, Vice-Chairman

Attest: 
Amanda DeWitt, County Clerk


Jerry Sedlacek, Member