

Comanche County Board of Commissioner
Mar.3, 2020
Coldwater, Kansas 67029

The Board of Comanche County Commissioners met on the above date with all three Commissioners present.

The Commissioners approved claims for \$96,992.32 for the various departments of the county. All claims are on file in the County Clerk's office.

Road and Bridge

Road and Bridge Supervisor Dennis Hernandez and Secretary Britt Lenertz met with the board. Dennis has 4 bids for new 6155 M tractors. They compared the 6155M to the 6155R series tractors, deciding the 6155M will be the best fit for Comanche County. Bucklin Tractor and Implement will have to order the 6155M and it won't be delivered before July 1. The board would like Dennis to see what they will give us for a trade in on the oldest 6105D that we currently have on a second new 6155M. Dennis called Brad Estes at Bucklin Tractor and Implement, he stated the 6155R is more tractor than what we need, it runs \$20,000 to 30,000 more than the 6155M. Brad wants Dennis to send him pictures of the 6105D tractor that we want to trade in and he will let Dennis know how much the trade-in value is.

Dennis wants to replace the shop doors at Protection, they are currently wooden doors that slide open, he wants to replace them with overhead doors for \$6,269. Harlie Haas moved to fix the doors at the Protection shop building. Randy Unruh seconded. Motion passes 3 to 0.

Bids to chip and seal 3 miles of the Protection black top and 1 mile from the highway south of Coldwater to the golf course entrance from Heft and Sons for \$83,353.60 and Circle K for \$90,112, Heft and Sons furnishes all the material needed to do the job while Circle K is oil only. There is a federal grant that will pay \$29,892 so the County would be responsible for \$53,461. Randy Unruh moved to have Heft and Son seal 4 miles for road for \$83,353.60. Larry Harvey seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

The tracks on the dozer need replaced. Murphy Tractor bid is \$9,094, Welborn is \$13,615.44 and Caterpillar is \$18,674. Road and Bridge employees will install the tracks. The board wants Dennis to get price difference on shoes.

Dennis needs to purchase 3 steel culverts to replace 3 that are too narrow. The board approved Dennis purchasing the culverts. Harlie stated that the bridge east on Avenue P approximately ¾ mile from Highway 1 needs replaced.

Janitor

The Courthouse Janitor Janice Dorman-Weston ended her employment with Comanche County today, she thanked the board for everything they have done for her while she was employed her. She turned in her keys and final timesheet.

Emergency Management

Emergency Manager Britt Lenertz met in executive session with the board to discuss personnel matters. Randy Unruh moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes with Britt Lenertz. Larry Harvey seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0. Executive session started at 10:20 and ended at 10:30.

Insurance

Larry Sharp with KCAMP Insurance gave the board the Risk Management Services Usage Report for 2019. Larry pointed out the \$2,000 risk avoidance grant that is available every year, we used only \$575 in 2019. He stated it can be used for video surveyance, tarps, or anti slip material for the steps.

Attorney

County Attorney Allison Kuhns discussed comp time with the board. Road and Bridge has been doing comp time for awhile and Allison was under the impression the board did not want comp time so there isn't a policy for it. Allison will write a policy for Road and Bridge to have up to 32 hours of comp time per quarter, they can trade their overtime worked for comp time. The comp time has to be used in the quarter it was earned or paid to the employee the first pay period of the next quarter. If it is not used it has to be paid to the employee. Harlie Haas moved to approve a comp time policy for Road and Bridge. Randy Unruh seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

Britt Lenertz working as Road and Bridge Secretary and as Emergency Manager was discussed. Randy moved the Road and Bridge Secretary can include her Emergency Management hours for health insurance purposes. Larry Harvey seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

Hospital

Comanche County Hospital Administrator Lisa Brooks and Office Manager Jennifer Godfrey gave the hospital 2019 4th quarter report to the board. Lisa reported they had done construction work on the northwest hallway to make room for the new CT scanner and the control room. They have High Plains Ultrasound from Garden City that comes every Friday if ultrasounds are scheduled.

Health Department

Jerri McKnight RN from the health department had Chairman Harlie Haas stop at the health department, Jerri wants to use the old dentist office part of the clinic for storage and for the footcare clinic. Jerri will come to the next meeting to discuss this. There are wires hanging in basement of the health clinic, United Wireless will come in and tidy this up for \$400. The board approved United Wireless coming in to organize these lines.

Harlie Haas signed the grant application for \$17,682.24 for the Kansas Department of Health and Environment for July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

Misc.

Kimble Mapping contract was signed by the board.

Randy Unruh moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Larry Harvey seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

The board discussed replacing the Janitor with a Janitorial Service with each office cleaning their own office and toilets. The Janitorial firm cleaning hallways. The board instructed newspaper Editor Dennies Andersen to run an ad in the local newspaper for a part time janitor.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 P.M.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF WITNESS my hand and the seal of approval for Comanche County, Kansas this 17th day of March, 2020.

Chairman

County Clerk