

Hamilton County Commissioners' Meeting  
P.O. Box 1167  
Syracuse, KS 67878  
Meeting Place—Commissioners Room  
Hamilton County Courthouse  
November 27, 2007  
8:30 a.m.

Randall C. Braddock, Chairman  
Keith Puckett, Vice-Chairman  
Gano Schmidt, Commissioner  
Nikki Schwerdfeger, Commissioner  
Dave Schwieterman, Commissioner  
Rob Gale, County Attorney  
Marcia J. Ashmore, County Clerk

John Kennedy

Commissioner Braddock called the Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with all Commissioners present.

AGENDA: Commissioner Schwerdfeger moved to adopt the Agenda as presented. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PRIOR MINUTES: Commissioner Schwieterman made the Motion to approve the Minutes of the November 13, 2007, Commissioners' Meeting as printed. Commissioner Puckett seconded. The Motion passed with four "ayes" and one "abstention".

ROAD SUPERVISOR: Delmar Hammond, County Road Supervisor, gave his weekly report to the Commissioners. He reported on the following:

--The work on the road on the west side of Coolidge had been completed. The only work remaining was to widen a culvert on this road which he would attend to.

--Rusty Wharton of TLW Land & Cattle Co had a survey done of TLW's recently-acquired property 13 miles south of Syracuse, prior to putting a permanent fence around the property, and that the road itself was 30' off the line. No decision made.

--The Economic Development Director and he had completed a Road Maintenance Agreement for the wind turbine companies.

--A complaint from a County citizen regarding a tanker truck turning in front of her on the east side of Syracuse had been investigated.

--The addition of cement powder to the final layer of caliche on various roads in the County, especially on the Coolidge Road and on road curves.

--It was decided to give the Howard Buhrlle heirs, the owners of the Dunn pit in the southern part of the County where the County gets its gravel for the roads, the sum of \$1,500 for damages at this pit and put a fence around the south part of the pit to prevent any further damage.

NOXIOUS WEED SUPERVISOR: Brock Martin, the Hamilton County Noxious Weed Supervisor, discussed:

--His overtime pay and the need for such pay.

--His residency in Hamilton County.

--The improvements being done to the weed building in the west part of Syracuse.

--The fact that Luke Slocum, his assistant, was working with the Road Department for the winter.

--The spraying of the road ditches the past summer and the need for a plan for spraying between his Department and the Road Department.

AIRPORT BOARD MANAGER: Steve Phillips presented a letter of appreciation of Zeke Hammond and the Road Department personnel for their help at the Airport. He asked the Commissioners for their approval of an Airport Layout Plan, which he presented for their review. After discussion, Commissioner Braddock moved that the Airport Layout Plan for the Syracuse-Hamilton County municipal Airport to be sent to the FAA be approved. Commissioner Schwieterman seconded the Motion. It was unanimously approved.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR: John Kennedy, Hamilton County Economic Development Director, presented a Road Maintenance Agreement for the wind turbine companies. The agreement was reviewed and several corrections were made to the Agreement. Mr. Kennedy will work with the County Attorney in order to present the Agreement to the various wind turbine companies now leasing property in the County.

Mr. Kennedy also asked for the Commissioners' thoughts regarding his attendance at the Tulare Dairy Days in Bakersfield, California. This matter was to be put on the Agenda for the next Commissioners' meeting.

5-YEAR PLAN: "County Road signs" and "Library Addition" were to be added to the 5-year plan.

ABATEMENTS & ADDITIONS: Commissioner Braddock made the Motion approving Abatements and Additions Nos. 700008 thru 700014. Commissioner Puckett seconded the Motion. It was unanimously approved.

COUNTY WEBSITE: This item was continued until the next Commissioner's meeting.

2008 CALENDAR: After review and corrections, Commissioner Puckett moved that the 2008 Calendar, as amended, be approved. Commissioner Schwieterman seconded. The Motion was unanimously approved.

WARRANTS: Commissioner Braddock moved that warrants in the amount of \$69,048.40 be approved. Commissioner Schwerdfeger seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

As there was no more business to come before the meeting, Commissioner Schwieterman moved for adjournment. Commissioner Schmidt seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

ATTEST:

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