

Hamilton County Commissioners' Meeting  
P.O. Box 1167  
Syracuse, KS 67878  
Meeting Place—Commissioners Room  
Hamilton County Courthouse  
December 18, 2007  
8:30 a.m.

Randall C. Braddock, Chairman  
Keith Puckett, Vice-Chairman  
Dave Schwieterman, Commissioner  
Nikki Schwerdfeger, Commissioner  
Rob Gale, County Attorney  
Angie Moser, Deputy Clerk

John Kennedy

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

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

PRIOR MINUTES: Commissioner Schwieterman made the Motion to approve the Minutes of the December 11, 2007, Commissioners' Meeting as printed. Commissioner Puckett seconded and the Motion passed with three "ayes" and one abstention.

ROAD SUPERVISOR: Delmar Hammond, County Road Supervisor, gave his weekly report to the Commissioners as follows:

- Discussed the proposed County cell phone policy
- Discussed the possibility of a new sand pit East of Syracuse
- Discussed the options of fixing the water drainage problem on the Road by Fred Housholder's residence in Coolidge.
- Advised he returned the leased loader to Caterpillar
- Advised of one of the loaders was repaired by Berry Tractor

ED HURSYZ, HAMILTON COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR: Advised the Commissioners on the following:

- The architect plans for the CT/X-ray Project are complete and a Construction Project Manager has been selected. The project is scheduled to start in January of 2008.
- Trane Air Conditioning Company has been selected to complete the Air Conditioning project, which will begin in March of 2008.
- He has discussed with Greeley County Hospital to possibly help Hamilton County with physician recruitment or help with physician coverage for the Clinic and Hospital.

DICK BEASLEY – COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS: Presented an Application for FY 2007 Unexpended Funds for approval. Commissioner Puckett moved to approve the Application for FY 2007 Unexpended Funds for an additional \$6,150.00 from the State of Kansas. Commissioner Schwerdfeger seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

5-YEAR PLAN: Discussed repairs to the River Road and priority of where to begin the repairs.

COUNTY WEBSITE: Waiting on bids.

COUNTY EMPLOYEE'S COST OF LIVING INCREASE: After discussion, Commissioner Schwerdfeger moved that elected officials (excluding the County Treasurer, Clerk and Register of Deeds) and all regularly employed County employees not directly under control of a separate Board and those paid on a per-run basis, be given a 3.75% cost of living raise. Commissioner Schwieterman seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

MARK ST. PETER - NEX TECH: Presented a "Tech as a Service" proposal for an IT Infrastructure Upgrade, which would include hardware, software, support/maintenance and system monitoring. The Commissioners informed they would review the proposal with the Heads of Department and report back to Next Tech.

Commissioner Schwieterman left the meeting at 10:30.

ABATEMENTS: After review and discussion, Commissioner Puckett moved to approve Abatement Nos. 700018-700025. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

DECEMBER 31, 2007: After discussion, Commissioner Schwerdfeger moved to close the Courthouse at noon on December 31, 2007 in order for the County Treasurer to close the 2007 Year End. Commissioner Puckett seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

JEANIE FRASER – COUNTY APPRAISER:

--Advised she has accepted Tara Watson's resignation.

--Ms. Fraser asked for an executive session. Commissioner Braddock moved for a 10-minute executive session in order to discuss issues regarding non-elected personnel. Commissioner Puckett seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. The regular meeting reconvened at 11:15 a.m.

After review and discussion, Commissioner Braddock moved to approve the warrants in the amount of \$53,523.56, less check no. 44498 in the amount of \$462.75. Commissioner Puckett seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

As there was no more business to come before the meeting, Commissioner Braddock moved for adjournment; Commissioner Puckett seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

ATTEST:

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