

The Board of Woodson County Commissioners met in a regular business session on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman Monty Barnett, Vice-Chairman Wayne Faulkner, Member Justin Clark, County Attorney Zeldia Schlotterbeck and County Clerk Tesla Bayles.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Faulkner moved to approve the agenda as amended for April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Clark seconded it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

Faulkner made the motion to approve the minutes from April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Clark seconded it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

Attorney Schlotterbeck informed the board that the sale of Heritage Hills Apartments is finalized.

Sheriff Jeff McCullough presented to the Board weekly activity stats for the Sheriff's Department. Seely plumbing has been working in the jail to clear the clogged pipes. It was determined the issue lies within the jail showers. Tamper proof drain covers will need to be installed in the showers. The lights in the facility will require an upgrade to non-exploding light bulbs. Inmates have access to the water closet and it has caused an issue before. The Sheriff would like to be able to keep the water closet locked. Sheriff would like to reinstate commissary and e-cigarettes in the jail and the profit from the sales to be deposited back into the jail account to provide funds for future inmate supplies. Allen County Jail used the funds from inmate commissaries to build a sally port. McCullough requests that a resolution be passed to allow him to have commissaries go into a specific fund that will be used for jail up keep and roll over to the next year. Treasurer Zimmerman suggest the jail renovation expenses be paid out of Courthouse General Funds. The possibility of turning the Bull Pen in the jail into a sallyport to eliminate many liabilities that may occur from bringing them in the front door and over the curbs was discussed. A feasibility study will need to be done to determine the possibility of making a sallyport.

Dane Onnen informed the board that the radios for road and Bridge will be down due to the water tower being painted and the antenna will have to be taken down. The owner of the water tower does not want the antenna reinstalled. A new place will have to be designated for the antenna and repeater. The bridges up north are starting to be filled. The fences up there are being rebuilt. Rock is being laid on 150<sup>th</sup> Rd this week. The appraisers will provide a map to road and bridge so they know which quarry to haul rock from. The school's dumpster will need to be dumped on Friday and charged for an extra dump. Faulkner stated rock does not need to be laid more than 4 inches thick. Documenting complaints that are reported to the commissioners was discussed.

Clark made the motion to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect employee confidentiality; to discuss employee performance for 15 minutes with the Board, Dane Onnen and Jason Smith starting at 9:41 a.m. and reconvened, in the Commissioners Room at 9:56 a.m. Faulkner second it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

Clark made the motion to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect employee confidentiality; to discuss employee performance for 10 minutes with the Board, Dane Onnen and Jason Smith starting at 9:58 a.m. and reconvened, in the Commissioners Room at 10:08 a.m. Faulkner second it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

John Shinstock from the American legion informed the commissioners that over 120 brass veteran grave markers have been stolen from the Yates Center Cemetery. The deputies have increased patrol at the all of the county's cemeteries. The Sheriff's Office will be putting an article in the paper asking for any information or tips and will be offering a reward. Security will be improved at the cemeteries. Faulkner moved to allow Clerk Bayles to order 200 grave markings for the cemeteries and be paid out of the general fund. Clark second it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

Ambulance Director Cari Cavender brought her weekly report to the board. She informed the board that the number 2 ambulance is operational. The Lucas 3 machine was received on April 12<sup>th</sup> and training is being scheduled for next week. The rent fee for the Community Building is deposited into a 4-H fund to be used for building repairs. Cavender received a grant for a Zoll machine for \$4,000.

Barnett has a USB drive that contains plans for neighborhood revitalization from other counties. Clerk Bayles will be helping distribute the information.

Faulkner made the motion to appoint Jaimie Matile as the primary representative and Nancy Fife as secondary representative for Woodson County on the Regional Loan Advisory Committee. Clark second it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

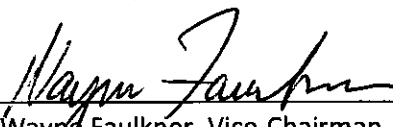
Took a 5-minute break.

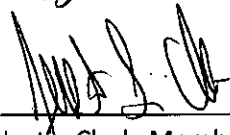
The Board, County Attorney, County Treasurer, County Clerk and reporter toured the County Jail. Faulkner moved to pay vouchers for the amount of \$131,633.70 Clark second it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

Clark made a motion to adjourn, Faulker seconded it, with Barnett making it unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 1:13.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tesla Bayles, County Clerk

  
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Monty Barnett, Chairman

  
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Wayne Faulkner, Vice-Chairman

  
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Justin Clark, Member