

To accept the sale price of 5 cents a pound for waste tires at the Ellis County Solid Waste/Transfer Station and to allow the Landfill Foreman to implement a two-week tire sale once a year.

Disposition: Motion carried by a voice vote of three to zero.

STATE FY2020 GRANT AWARDS FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT – HEALTH SERVICES DIRECTOR KERRY McCUE

Health Services Director Kerry McCue requested approval on three grants through the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). These three grants are the State Formula Grant at \$19,598, the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Grant at \$24,020, and the Immunization Action Plan (IAP) Grant at \$4,347. McCue noted that the decrease in grant funds is related to the decrease in the 2020 operating budget. The total grant dollars is \$46,900.

Commissioners directed McCue to go forward with the grant programs.

WOMEN, INFANTS & CHILDREN (WIC) LETTER OF AGREEMENT – HEALTH SERVICES DIRECTOR KERRY McCUE

Health Services Director Kerry McCue asked Commissioners to sign the WIC Agreement between Ellis County and the Osborne County Health Department, as required by the Kansas State Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), effective October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

McCue stated that \$81,516.91 was received from the 2018 grant funding through the WIC Program. He stated that as of this date the County has received \$44,184.49 through this program.

Motion: Schlyer Second: Roths

Moved that the Chairman sign the Women, Infants & Children (WIC) letter of agreement allowing Ellis County to participate in the WIC Program.

Disposition: Motion carried by a voice vote of three to zero.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT – HEALTH SERVICES DIRECTOR KERRY McCUE

Health Services Director Kerry McCue stated that Dr. Lynn Fisher, our current Medical Director, has taken a teaching position with the University of Kansas School of Medicine in Wichita, Kansas. Dr. Fisher will no longer be able to serve as our Medical Director, so McCue asked that the Commission sign a thank you letter to Dr. Fisher. He requested that Dr. Tonya Knoll, D.O., be appointed as the Medical Director for the Ellis County Health Department.

Motion: Schlyer Second: Roths

To appoint Dr. Tonya Knoll, D.O. as the Ellis County Health Department Medical Director.

Disposition: Motion carried by a voice vote of three to zero.

2020 BUDGET EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) AND THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Health Services Director Kerry McCue recommended that remodeling dollars that he estimated at \$146,500 would be placed in Fund 16 so they would be available for the EMS and Health Departments 2020 and 2021 Budgets. McCue will be retiring, and Assistant EMS Director Jason Kennedy will be taking this position. The Assistant EMS Director will not be filled when this happens. Therefore, Kennedy will be placed in three positions with the County, and McCue would like the Commission to consider having funding available, if needed. County Administrator Phillip Smith-Hanes stated that he will be discussing this matter.

FEDERAL BUILD GRANT APPLICATION FOR NORTHWEST BUSINESS CORRIDOR – PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BILL RING

Public Works Director Bill Ring gave an update on the Federal B.U.I.L.D grant process for the Northwest Business Corridor. The grant application is for \$8,700,000. They will need Chair Haselhorst to sign the grant application. He request to assign an additional \$100,000 dollars from Fund 78, Highway Fund, to the \$800,000 dollars previously allocated for this project.

The County staff has been working with consultants, engineering firms and other partners over the last few months on this grant application for 230th Avenue north of Hays, to changing the driving surface from rock to a paved road, road width and sightline due to many hills. This application is currently 28 pages and they are still fine tuning the application. He thanked all parties that have been a part of this grant application. If the grant is accepted the work would not start until the Spring of 2022.

Motion: _____ Schlyer _____ Second: _____ Roths _____

To authorize the Public Works Director to submit the application for the B.U.I.L.D. grant prior to the due date of July 15, 2019, authorize the Chair of the County Commission to sign the application letter and allocate \$100,000 from Fund 78 to the existing \$800,000 reserved for this project.

Disposition: _____ Motion carried by a voice vote of three to zero.

PUBLIC WORKS PRESS RELEASE – PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BILL RING

Public Works Director Bill Ring announced that a press release has gone out on one of the first steps for improvements to 230th Avenue is with a small bridge and culvert replacement that will affect travel on the 1600 and 1700 blocks of 230th Avenue, between 55th Street and Feedlot Road on July 15 through 18, 2019. Motorists are recommended to use Highway 183 to avoid the affected area.

CERTIFICATION OF VOTING DELEGATE FOR KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES (KAC) CONFERENCE – COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR PHILLIP SMITH-HANES

County Administrator Phillip Smith-Hanes stated that the Kansas Association of Counties (KAC) Conference will be held in Wichita, November 12 through 14, 2019. Commissioners need to appoint voting delegates for the conference.

Commissioners decided the following voting members at the KAC Conference: Voting Delegate-Chair Dean Haselhorst, 1st Alternate-Butch Schlyer and 2nd Alternate-Dustin Roths.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR PHILLIP SMITH-HANES

County Administrator Smith-Hanes also mentioned the bridge and culvert replacement project as a first step for improvements to 230th Avenue and to take note of the road closures in this area during July 15 through the 18, 2019.

On May 6, 2019 the Commission had given the approval to get a quote on flood insurance for the 601 Main Building from KCAMP Insurance. Chair Haselhorst signed a letter with this request to KCAMP.

County Administrator Smith-Hanes stated that there was a correction on the EMS Assistant Director Position which had been approved earlier. This correction has to do with the non-exempt status to the appointment.

2020 BUDGET

Chair Haselhorst asked if any County Departments or outside agencies had any questions on the 2020 Budget.

Chair Haselhorst stated that he would go one-half of the Cost Share Program requested for the Soil Conservation District's 2020 Budget. The other two Commissioners stated to keep the Soil Conservation Budget as set earlier.

Schlyer stated that they had several budgets that effected daily lives have had their requested dollars cut.

County Administrator Smith-Hanes stated that there was a correction on the Assistant Director of Fire and Emergency Management.

County Administrator Smith-Hanes stated that once approved, the 2020 Budget can have no increases as only reductions to the budget are allowed.

COUNTY COMMISSION REPORTS

Roths stated that he had attended the Community Corrections and Juvenile Services Meeting last week, and they approved their budgets.

Roths stated that with the County Budget he did not want the County to be a competitor with taxpayers' dollars.

Roths shared that he has a healthy happy baby girl with Mom doing well.

Schlyer stated that the fishing has been good at Cedar Bluff Lake.

Chair Haselhorst reported that harvest is going well and he is pleased that the Northwest Business Corridor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session was called for.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Chair Haselhorst stated that the meeting will adjourn at 5:40 p.m.

The next regular Commission Meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m., Monday, July 15, 2019, Ellis County Administrative Center, Commission Chambers, 718 Main Street, Hays, Kansas.

BOARD OF ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

DEAN F. HASELHORST, CHAIR

ATTEST:

ROBERT "BUTCH" SCHLYER, COMMISSIONER

DONNA J. MASKUS, COUNTY CLERK

DUSTIN G. ROTHS, COMMISSIONER