ELLSWORTH COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

July 23, 2018

The Board of Ellsworth County Commissioners convened this 23rd day of July 2018 at the Ellsworth County Courthouse. Commissioner Stephen Dlabal was not in attendance.

Members Present:
Albert W. Oller, 1st District Commissioner
Kermit Rush, 2nd District Commissioner

OPENING BUSINESS:
Chairman Rush called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

Commissioner Oller moved to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Oller moved to approve the Minutes for July 16, 2018. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

Billy Kryger, Pastor of the Smoky Hill Baptist Church in Ellsworth, was in attendance but did not wish to address the Commissioners.

APPOINTMENTS:
Keith Haberer, Emergency Management Director, informed Commissioners that he attended the FBI course on weapons of mass destruction and illegal drugs.

Jeremiah Brown, EMS Director, requested Commissioner Rush’s signature for a grant to have two employees attend AEMT classes. Mr. Brown briefed the Commissioners on having the gas company come to check out the building because they could smell the gas odor in the bay area. The gas company concluded the EMS building was over pressurized and took the pressure down to one pound and reworked the meters at no cost to the County.

Tom Ruth & Dennis Deines, representing Western Coop Electric, wanted to introduce themselves and inquired if the Commissioners had any questions. They informed the Commissioners they have an Economic Development fund that they offer not only to businesses but also cities and counties for bonds with fair or zero interest rates. They are working with Stacie Schmidt the Economic Dev. Director.

NEW BUSINESS:
Commissioner Oller made a motion to participate in the Class Action lawsuit to recover Payments In Lieu of Taxes from the United States Federal Claims for fiscal years 2015, 2016 and 2017. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Oller moved to approve a Proclamation in honor of Future Farmers of America advisors and 4-H leaders in Ellsworth County, Kansas. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

ADJOURNMENT:
Chairman Rush adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

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Shelly D. Vopat, County Clerk