

ELLSWORTH COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

September 23, 2019

The Board of Ellsworth County Commissioners convened this 23rd day of September 2019 at the Ellsworth County Courthouse.

Members Present:

Dennis L. Rolfs, 1st District Commissioner

Kermit Rush, 2nd District Commissioner

Stephen S. Dlabal, 3rd District Commissioner

OPENING BUSINESS:

Chairman Dlabal called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Rush moved to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Rolfs moved to approve the Minutes for September 16, 2019. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

No one was present for the public forum.

APPOINTMENTS:

Teresa Shute, Noxious Weed, Landfill & Recycling Supervisor, was asked by a Rice County Commissioner for Ellsworth County chemical records on two individuals. She said one of the two individuals had purchased chemical from Rice County with a subsidy rate and sprayed the chemical on land they owned in Ellsworth County and Barton County.

Commissioner Rush made a motion to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel for an employee who has completed their probationary period from 9:34 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. with **Shelly Vopat, Ellsworth County Clerk**. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. At 9:45 a.m. Commissioners returned with no action taken.

Dale Houston, Road & Bridge Supervisor, Josh Beckman and Jon Halbgewachs, representing Kirkham Michael, were present to open the 3 bids for FAS 640 Bridge Replacement. L & M Contractors submitted a bid for \$773,021.60, Reese Construction submitted a bid for 990,452.60, and Bridges Inc. submitted a bid for \$830,137.30. Commissioners will wait for Kirkham Michael to review the bids before they approve any of these companies.

Commissioner Rolfs made a motion to go into executive session with **Dale Houston, Road & Bridge Supervisor**, to discuss land acquisition for the Road & Bridge and the Noxious Weed Departments from 10:25 a.m. to 10:40 a.m. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. At 10:40 a.m. Commissioners returned to open session. Commissioner Rush made a motion to purchase the former

Ellsworth Ready Mix for \$100,000 using a minimum of \$25,000 out of the Road & Bridge fund and the remainder to be paid from the Ellsworth County Building fund. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Rush moved to approve Resolution 2019R06 setting forth record search fees and copying costs to be charged by the county of Ellsworth for KORA requests, etal.

Commissioners tabled the discussion on the North ½ of Lot 22, Block 15, City of Ellsworth owned by the County of Ellsworth.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Dlabal adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.



Shelly D. Vopat, County Clerk

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