

ELLSWORTH COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

May 6, 2019

The Board of Ellsworth County Commissioners convened this 6th day of May 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 with additions. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Rush moved to approve the Minutes for April 29, 2019 as printed. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Gary & Jennifer Oller, in Palacky Township, asked if the County was going to repair the 140 yards of his fence that is falling over. The new bridge on Ave Q, between 4th and 5th Road is “buted up against” his fence. Commissioners will have Rick Nondorf, Road & Bridge Supervisor contact Mr. Oller to try and resolve this issue.

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

APPOINTMENTS:

Kathy Mosher & Cody Sparks, representing Central Kansas Mental Health Center (CKMHC), reported that suicide has risen to 45% in the rural areas. CKMHC implemented ASIST (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills & Training) for teachers and parents as a trial run in the USD 305 District. The success rate was so tremendous they will be implementing ASIST in more communities and school districts, including USD 327. CKMHC has suffered 2 years of devastating budget cuts from the State. They are requesting for 2020, \$28,305 an increase of \$1,347 or 5%. A minimum statutory requirement of 3% (\$27,766) increase is required.

Stacie Schmidt, Smoky Hill Economic Development Director, requested \$60,000 for the 2020 budget, a \$10,000 increase of 20%. The increase is for a grant match, not administrative costs. At the request of Commissioner Rush, she will present her financials next week to the board of Commissioners.

Ginny Boots and Ron Etchison, representing ECCA (Ellsworth County Council on Aging), presented their 2020 budget request for \$32,000, an increase of \$6,000 or 23.08%.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Rush made a motion to approve the 2019 Cereal Malt Beverage Licenses for the Kanopolis Tower Harbor Marina Inc. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Dlabal adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Shelly D. Vopat, County Clerk

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