May 31, 2019

Commission met for payday and other business at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission chambers at the Marion County Courthouse with Chr. Kent Becker, Comm. Randy Dallke, and Comm. Dianne R. Novak present. Also present was Co. Clerk Tina Spencer. Present for portions of the meeting were Co. Counselor Brad Jantz, Gene Winkler, Marcy Hostetler, Henry Ethem, Tom Britain, Brice Goebel, Jonah Gehring, Amy Soyez, Amy Stutzman, Lindsey Ransom, Blake Johnson, Larry Fine, Joel Suderman, and members of the press.

SALES TAX: Sales tax for the month of March, 2019 has been received in the amount of $55,389.90.

PAYDAY: A detailed list of expenditures by fund was reviewed. Mileage logs and the cumulative comp time report were reviewed. The warrant register was approved and signed for a payday figure of $1,011,993.12 including payroll at $501,747.64. Checks #48216-48438; voided check #48247.

TRANSFER STATION BUDGET REVIEW / LEASE PURCHASE DISCUSSION: The current expenditures, budget, and cash balance for the transfer station were reviewed. After discussion Dallke moved to accept the lease purchase bid from Marion National Bank at 3.43% interest for the tire cutting machine. Becker seconded and motion carried 2-1. Novak opposed. The amount being financed is $31,936.

TRANSFER STATION PROJECT: Dallke reported that the approximate cost to move the high voltage power lines underground would be $20,000.00. The consensus of the Board was for Dallke to contact Kaw Valley Engineering with the intent of moving the lines out of the way of the facility.

Session recessed until 10:00 a.m.

COUNTY ENGINEER DISCUSSION: Co. Counselor Brad Jantz joined the session. Becker moved to recess into executive session for contract negotiation related to the County Engineer position pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters of non-elected personnel with the Board, Jantz, and Brice Goebel present for 20 minutes (from 10:00 a.m.) until 10:20 a.m. with open session to resume in Commission chambers following the closed session. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Open session resumed with a motion by Becker to recess into executive session for contract negotiation related to the County Engineer position pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters of non-elected personnel with the Board, Jantz, and Goebel present (for 22 minutes) until 10:45 a.m. with open session to resume in Commission chambers following the closed session. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Open session resumed with a motion by Becker to recess into executive session to discuss contract negotiation pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (2) for attorney/client business with the Board and Jantz present for 15 minutes (from 10:45 a.m.) until 11:00 a.m. with open session to resume in Commission chambers following the closed session. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Open session resumed with a motion by Becker to recess into executive session to discuss contract negotiation related to the County Engineer position pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters of non-elected personnel with the Board, Jantz, and Goebel present until 11:20 a.m. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Open session resumed with no action.

LEGAL CONSULTATION: Attorney Andrew Holder of Fisher, Patterson, Saylor & Smith, LLP and Planning/Zoning Dir. Sharon Omstead joined the session. Becker moved to recess into executive session to discuss County litigation pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (2) for attorney/client business with the Board, Holder, Jantz, and Omstead present (for 15 minutes) from 11:20 a.m. until 11:35 a.m. with open session to resume in Commission chambers following the closed session. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Open session resumed with a motion by Becker to recess into executive session to discuss County litigation pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (2) for attorney/client business with the Board, Holder, Jantz, and Omstead present until 11:50 a.m. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Open session resumed with no action.

Becker moved to adjourn. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

ATTEST: __________________________________________
Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk

Kent Becker, Chairman