

SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION

DATE: March 4, 2014
TIME: 5:30 p.m.
CALL TO ORDER: Chair Linenbroker
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Linenbroker
INVOCATION: Jack Jacob (Liberal Ministerial Alliance)
LOCATION: 515 N. Washington
Commission Chambers
Liberal, KS 67901

PRESENT

COMMISSIONERS: Ada Linenbroker
C.J. Wettstein
Jim Rice
Doug LaFreniere
Randy Malin

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION: April Warden

LEGAL COUNSEL: Dan Diepenbrock

CLERK'S OFFICE: Stacia Long (left after Item 4)
Vanessa Reeve

CITIZEN COMMENTS: NONE

1. APPROVE AGENDA: ADDITION/DELETIONS

Commissioner LaFreniere moved to approve the Agenda with the addition of Resolution 2014-03 as item 1B. Commissioner Rice seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

1B. RESOLUTION 2014-03

Chair Linenbroker stated that Resolution 2001-07 states that the chair shall read all of the items on the consent agenda. Resolution 2014-03 would replace resolution 2001-07 so that the consent agenda doesn't have to be read out loud by the Chair.

Commissioner LaFreniere motion to replace Resolution 2001-07 with resolution 2014-03. Commissioner Malin seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

To see Resolution 2014-03 in its entirety, see page 8.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

ITEMS	DATE	AMOUNT	NUMBERS
Minutes	February 18, 2014	N/A	N/A
Payroll	March 3, 2014	\$299,912.89	N/A
Payroll (Sage/OK)	March 3, 2014	\$ 19,379.19	N/A
Vouchers (2013)	March 4, 2014	\$ 14,097.53	155343-155353
Vouchers (2014)	March 4, 2014	\$459,995.05	155355-155561
Abates	NONE		
Escapes	NONE		
Crossing Permits	NONE		

REQUISITIONS

DEPARTMENT	ITEM	VENDOR	AMOUNT	LINE ITEM
Health Dept.	Replacement Server	Web Creations	\$2,104.00	4-125-36000-402
County Tech.	Sonic Wall Support & AV	Web Creations	\$1,868.00	4-100-31166-250
County Tech.	Replacement Server/DC	Web Creations	\$6,055.00	4-100-31166-250
County Tech.	(10)Desktop Computers/DC	Web Creations	\$8,550.00	4-100-31166-250
County Tech.	(10)Desktop Computers/Treasurer	Web Creations	\$8,550.00	4-100-31166-250
County Tech.	(4)Desktop Computers/EMS	Web Creations	\$3,420.00	4-100-31166-250

Commissioner Malin moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner LaFreniere seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

3. NEW EMPLOYEES

None Present

4. INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

Neighborhood Revitalization Plan

Karen LaFreniere, City of Liberal, presented the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan.

Commissioner LaFreniere abstained from the discussion because Karen is his spouse so he left the room at 5:39 p.m.

After much discussion by all the following motion was made:

Commissioner Rice moved to table until county personnel and the County Administrator meet and discusses how it will affect them. Commissioner Malin seconded the motion; motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner LaFreniere abstaining.

Commissioner LaFreniere returned at 5:56 p.m.

5. APPROVAL OF GRANT APPLICATION

Martha Brown Health Dept Director presented the Board with the KDHE Aide –to-Local Grant application. She stated she was applying for two new grants/programs, Pregnancy Maintenance Initiative and the Teen Pregnancy Targeted Case Management and asked for their support.

The Teen Pregnancy Targeted Case Management grant requires no match from the County. The purpose of the program is to reduce the negative consequences of teenage pregnancy for teens and their children, to increase levels of self sufficiency and goal-directedness relating to their own futures and that of their children, and to delay subsequent childbearing until completion of goals related to basic education/training. The grant would allow the Health dept to hire a part time RN or social worker.

The Pregnancy Maintenance Initiative requires a dollar for dollar match. The focus of the initiative is to provide services to enable pregnant women to carry their pregnancies to term. Services may include an array of social services related to pregnancy maintenance with inclusion of referral for adoption services, education or information. The funds would come from the Health department with benefits from the Employee Benefits in the General Fund.

Martha Brown also stated that this first program especially would address Seward County's teen pregnancy rate. Teen pregnancy is one of the priority areas identified by the members of the Health Department's Community Health Assessment team.

After much discussion by all, the Board stated they would support the grant as a trial run for a year and wanted Martha Brown to understand that if the grants end, the part time position will be terminated. After the year they would like Martha Brown to bring baseline numbers to see if the program is working at which time they will decide if they will continue to support the programs.

Vice Chair Wettstein moved to approve the agreement with KDHE Aide-to-Local Grant Application with funds to come from the Health Department and the Employee Benefits from the General Fund. Commissioner Rice seconded the motion; motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner LaFreniere voting against.

6. DISTRICT COURT ENCUMBRANCE

Koleen Nosekabel requested to waive the purchasing policy to purchase Archival Microfilm with Mid-Continent Micrographics in the amount of \$10,000 with funds to come from the District Court 2013 Encumbrance and to also use the remaining funds from the 2013 Encumbrance to purchase flooring for the District Court filing room.

Commissioner LaFreniere moved to approve and to waive the purchasing policy to purchase Archival Microfilm with Mid-Continent Micrographics in the amount of \$10,000 to come from the District Court 2013 Encumbrance and to purchase flooring for the District Court Filing Room not to exceed \$21,508 with funds to come from the 2013 Encumbrance. Commissioner Rice seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

7. PERSONNEL REQUEST

Linda Johnson requested approval to hire an additional employee needed for setup, tear-down, cleaning and preparation for events held at the Activity Center/Fairgrounds. She stated the Activity Center has been short handed since 2010, and the rental use is up significantly. The position would be a full time position with an annual salary of \$25,000 with funds to come out of the Reserve for Claims because it was not budgeted in the 2014 budget.

Commissioner Rice moved to approve to hire a full time employee at the Activity Center with a \$25,000 annual salary with funds to come from Reserve for Claims. Commissioner Malin seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

8. KANSAS CHILDREN'S SERVICE LEAGUE

April Warden, County Administrator asked the Board if they would like to participate in the Kansas Children's Service League Child Abuse prevention month. KCSL would like to create an image of 105 reasons to Prevent Child Abuse by having a child between the age of 3 and 5 years old represent each county. The child would need to be in Topeka on April 11, 2014 for pictures.

KCSL will not be able to provide reimbursement for travel expenses.

Commissioner Rice moved to partner with the Kansas Children's Service League and to allow \$400 for expenses. Commissioner Malin seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

9. CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Commissioner LaFreniere read the following proclamation;

WHEREAS, children are key to the state's future success, prosperity and quality of life and, while children are our most valuable resource, they are also our most vulnerable; and

WHEREAS, children have a right to be safe and to be provided an opportunity to thrive, learn and grow; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect can be prevented by supporting and strengthening Kansas' families, thus preventing the far-reaching effects of maltreatment, providing the opportunity for children to develop healthy, trusting family bonds; and consequently, building the foundations of communities; and

WHEREAS, we must come together as partners so that the voices of our children are heard by all and we are as a community extending a helping hand to children and families in need; and

WHEREAS, by providing safe, stable and nurturing relationships for our children, free of violence, abuse and neglect, we can ensure that Kansas' children will grow to their full potential as the next generation of leaders, helping to secure the future of this state and nation;

THEREFORE I, Commissioner Ada Linenbroker by virtue of the authority vested in me as County Commissioner of Seward County do hereby proclaim April 2014 as Child Abuse Prevention month.

ATTEST:

Stacia Long, County Clerk

Board of County Commissioners
Seward County, Kansas

By: _____
Ada Linenbroker, Chairman

Commissioner Rice moved to approve the Proclamation for Child Abuse Month 2014. Commissioner Malin seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

10. FAIR HOUSING PROCLAMATION

Vice Chair Wettstein read the following proclamation;

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States passed the Civil Rights Act of 1968, of which Title VIII declared that the law of the land would now guarantee the rights of equal housing opportunity; and

WHEREAS, the County of Seward is committed to the mission and intent of Congress to provide fair and equal housing opportunities for all, and today, many realty companies and associations support fair housing laws; and

WHEREAS, the Fair Housing groups and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development have, over the years, received thousands of complaints of alleged illegal housing discrimination and found too many that have proved upon investigation to be violations of the fair housing laws; and

WHEREAS, equal housing opportunity is a condition of life in our County that can and should be achieved,

I, Ada Linenbroker of Seward County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of its citizens, do hereby proclaim the month of April as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

And express the hope that this year's observance will promote fair housing practices throughout Seward County.

Dated this 4th day of March, 2014

ATTEST:

Stacia Long, County Clerk

Board of County Commissioners
Seward County, Kansas

By: _____
Ada Linenbroker, Chairman

Vice Chair Wettstein moved to approve the Proclamation Celebrating 46 Years of Fair Housing in the County of Seward. Commissioner LaFreniere seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Legal

Commissioner Malin moved to recess into executive session for consultation with our attorney which would be deemed privileged in the attorney client relationship under K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2) for 20 minutes, to include Dan Diepenbrock, County Counsel, and April Warden, County Administrator, to reconvene in the Commission Chambers at 7:55 p.m. Commissioner Rice seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

The meeting recessed into Executive Session at 7:35p.m.

The meeting resumed at 8:00 p.m.

No action was taken as a result of the Executive Session.

12. ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

April Warden, County Administrator presented an update to the Commission.

13. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Each of the Commissioners had an opportunity to report on liaison meetings they had attended during the last two weeks.

14. SUGGESTION CARDS

There were no suggestion cards.

ADJOURN

Commissioner LaFreniere moved to adjourn. Commissioner Malin seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Ada Linenbroker, Chairperson
Seward County Commission

Stacia D. Long
Seward County Clerk

RESOLUTION 2014-03

A RESOLUTION PERMITTING USE OF A CONSENT AGENDA FOR ROUTINE ITEMS AT REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, SEWARD COUNTY, KANSAS. REPLACING RESOLUTION 2001-07.

WHEREAS, there are certain routine items of business that are regularly before the Board of County Commissioners which, although require the attention and action of the board, do not require debate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of Seward County, Kansas as follows:

1. A consent agenda may be prepared by the County Administrator for the board to adopt unanimous motions on routine items.
2. Any items of business that are expected to receive unanimous approval and where no debate is expected, may be placed on a consent agenda.
3. The Chair will ask for approval of the consent agenda and if there is any discussion. If there are no objections, all the items on the consent agenda will be adopted by unanimous vote.

ADOPTED AND PASSED by the Board of Seward County Commissioners this 4th day of March, 2014.

Ada J. Linenbroker, Chair
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

Stacia D. Long
Seward County Clerk