

May 20, 2019

The Mitchell County Commissioners met in formal session on Monday, May 20, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room of the Mitchell County Courthouse. Present were Chairman Mike Cooper and members Jim Marshall and Tom Claussen. Also present was Jason Rabe, Beloit City Manager; Heather Hartman, Community Development Director; and Maci Hancock, Intern for Heather Hartman.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the May 13, 2019 meeting were approved as written on motion by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public Works Director Dale Housh informed the commission that Bryan Thorne is interested in the position at the landfill for Don Jones, who is retiring. There is a bridge that is in need of repair on 200 Rd ¼ mile north of Highway 24. Casey Fraser, Foley Tractor, is going to come look at graders to determine what possible trade value they would have toward a new grader.

Doug McKinney, NCRPC, reviewed the Heritage Trust Fund Grant for Mitchell County and it's denial by the committee. After discussion, the commission agreed to issue tax credits for the needed tuck-pointing for the Courthouse building.

Heather Hartman reported that she has been funded for ½ the cost of the Destination Boot Camp from Northwest Kansas Economic Development. She is going to try to get the rest from the Hansen Foundation.

Blue Cross Representative Jeremy McGuire presented the trends for renewal and usage of Mitchell County's Health Insurance. He estimated the increase in premiums to be around 12-14%.

Shelia Nelson-Stout, Patrick Wallerius, Barb Wise, and Susan Sprague, representing OCCK, presented their 2020 budget request to the commission. They also provided an overview of the services provided by OCCK. They requested a 3% increase in funding.

A motion for a 15-minute executive session for non-elected personnel was made by Tom Claussen and seconded by Jim Marshall. County Clerk was asked to remain in session. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Session began at 10:43 and ended at 10:58 with no decisions made in executive session.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 on motion by Jim Marshall and seconded by Tom Claussen. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

_____ Mike Cooper, Chairman

ATTEST: _____ Chris Treaster, Mitchell County Clerk