

MINUTES OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

The Board of the Grady County Commissioners met on this day for a regularly scheduled meeting with the following board members: Windle Hardy, Mike Lennier, and Ralph Beard.

The meeting was called to order and roll call: Windle Hardy, Mike Lennier, and Ralph Beard.

Mike Lennier made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 31, 2015 meeting. It was seconded by Ralph Beard. AYE: Windle Hardy, AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard.

Windle Hardy made a motion to approve the following blanket purchase order numbers 161281 to 161309 & 161314 & 161315. It was seconded by Mike Lennier. AYE: Windle Hardy, AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard.

GCEMA/Fire Report: Dale Thompson informed the board that the update on the County EMP will be on next week's agenda for approval. Mr. Thompson stated that the bus donated from the jail will be used as a commander's center and working on a grant for making it a mobile unit and can be used at several events-communications and also requesting funds from the Chickasaw Nation. The recent bunker gear grant had \$19,000 leftover and with approval would like to purchase and replace 3 repeaters-submitted the historical/environmental report and waiting to hear from them. Mr. Thompson stated that he is continuing to work on the REAP grants -cooler weather this week. Fire report: One small grass fire.

Safety Director, George Manning informed the board that the recent county fair went well with no safety concerns, would be attending the Safety Meeting at ACCO, and stated the gas pumps have been inspected for Districts 2 & 3 and will be inspecting at District #1.

Discussion/Presentation: Hilliary Communications to discuss Broadband Service and Property owned by Grady County: - Bob Moore-Financial Consultant stated that currently Green Bay Packaging is going with Hilliary Communications and fiber optic is all over town-much faster internet, broadband, phone, & cable TV. Mr. Moore requested to be able to bid for this service. The board stated it would take some time to get bid specs and organize it for bidding. Mr. Moore discussed the county owned property and would like to buy 3 certain areas (small portions of the areas are available). The board recommended he talk to the Treasurer for the proper procedures to purchase said land.

At 9:20 AM-Ralph Beard made a motion to accept the bid on a new Dump Truck for District #3 with a Lease Purchase Agreement. The bid made by Enid Mack Sales of Enid, OK 73702 for the price of \$126,776.00. It was seconded by Mike Lennier. AYE: Windle Hardy, AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard. (The other bidder-Premier Truck Group of Oklahoma City, OK was a no bidder).

At 9:30 AM-Ralph Beard made a motion to accept the bid on one New Truck Tractor for District #3-with a Lease Purchase Agreement. The bid made by Enid Mack Sales of Enid, OK 73702 for the price of \$110,108.00. It was seconded by Mike Lennier. AYE: Windle Hardy,

AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard. (The other bidder was Premier Truck Group of Oklahoma City was a no bidder).

At 9:35AM-Windle Hardy made a motion to approve the request for bids for one 2012 or newer V-8 Dodge Charger for the Sheriff's Department. It was seconded by Ralph Beard. AYE: Windle Hardy, AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard.

Mike Lennier made a motion to call for an Election on Extension on Senior Nutrition Center Tax for November Election. It was seconded by Ralph Beard. Citizen, Pat Brooks requested to address the board pertaining to this issue: Mr. Brooks stated that the Grady Memorial Hospital is a serious situation-he requested the board to delay the tax election-no doubt it has to help-the priority needs to be on healthcare-very serious situation and requested to not place it on the ballot until we know what is going to happen to the hospital. Mr. Lennier asks the board to move on with the agenda and come back to this item. The board agreed.

After all other agenda items were completed the board returned to sales tax item:

Mr. Lennier stated the work on the election for the Senior Nutrition Center Tax has been for several months and this is the last day for it to be able to be on the November ballot. Mr. Lennier stated the hospital situation happened so fast and felt the call of the election had to go forward. Previously-the issue had the motion and a second so Mr. Hardy called for the vote: AYE: Windle Hardy, AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard. Mr. Brooks commented to the board that the hospital is very serious-a 6 month wait on the ballot was prudent-nothing saved-3 sales tax-don't know the outcome on this.

The special election reads as follows:

"Shall Grady County, Oklahoma levy a one-eighth of one percent (0.125%) sales tax, in addition to any and all existing sales tax, for the support of the Grady County Senior Nutrition Centers, specifically the senior nutrition centers located in Alex, Chickasha, Minco, Ninnekah, Rush Springs, Tuttle, and Verden? This sales tax shall commence on the 1st day of January 2016 and shall expire and cease to be collected on the 31st day of 2020."

Mike Lennier made a motion to approve the request for paupers burial assistance request for Janice Arlene Pitts in the amount of \$250.00 to Absolute Economical Funeral Home. It was seconded by Windle Hardy. AYE: Windle Hardy, AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard.

Mike Lennier made a motion to accept the application for permit from Enable Gas Gathering, LLC, permit to cross with a gas pipeline, a county road or highway-County Road 1390 from the SE/4 of Section 12 -T6N-R7W to the NE/4 to Section 13-T6N-R7W. It was seconded by Ralph Beard. AYE: Windle Hardy, AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard.

There was no action on the lease agreement between Grady County Commissioners and US Department of Agriculture.

(This discussion on the hospital was done before the final vote on the sales tax for the Nutrition Centers)

Update on Grady Memorial Hospital: Mr. King Spellman addressed the board pertaining to the hospital situation-he stated there is a meeting today-it is significantly more expensive than first thought-the concessions is not to spend the \$1.5 million -want to gain and it won't happen with a building of this age, with no surgeries-reduces cash fund-re-purpose so we can use the surgery-future build a new wing-with building a new building (\$38 to \$40 million) would allow more surgeries, imaging-could be around 18 months and need the tax support. Mr. Spellman invited the board to the meeting-Mr. Lennier will attend. Mr. Spellman stated with a new building-60% increase with 18 to 22 months to build a new structure-current building is too old-need to put dollars for it-bond issue for the ballot. Mr. Brooks reiterated that it is a very serious situation for the County-delay the senior nutrition center tax-this was also a message from another citizen. Mr. Lennier stated after the other business of this meeting then make a decision on the senior nutrition tax.

At 10:15 AM-Windle Hardy made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the Sunoco Pipeline, LP vs. Grady County Lawsuit. It was seconded by Mike Lennier. AYE: Windle Hardy, AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard.

At 10:35 AM-Windle Hardy made a motion to return to Open Meeting: It was seconded by Ralph Beard. AYE: Windle Hardy, AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard.

Mr. Lennier stated no action on the Executive Session-there is a settlement, but attorneys will have to get the agreement ready for final approval.

The board returned to the discussion/action on the call for election on the Extension on the Senior Nutrition Center Tax for the November Election. See above for that information.

Windle Hardy made a motion to approve the transfers and appropriations for the following departments: Sales Tax -Senior Center-Chickasha, Sheriff Service, Sheriff, & E911 Fund. It was seconded by Mike Lennier. AYE: Windle Hardy, AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard.

Windle Hardy made a motion to approve the monthly reports for the following county offices: Assessor, County Clerk, and Treasurer. It was seconded by Mike Lennier. AYE: Windle Hardy, AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard.

Be it resolved by the Board of the Grady County Commissioners to review and approve claims generated by the Grady County governing bodies during the month of September and before, and authorize or deny payment of such claims.

Windle Hardy discussed a letter from Pioneer Telephone of over payment on 911 calls-Assistant District Attorney advised to take no action.

Be it resolved by the Board of the Grady County Commissioners that the County Treasurer be directed to deposit the following check from Enable Gas Gathering-permit-T-AFPF-#2-2-\$400.00

Be it resolved by the Board of the Grady County Commissioners that the County Treasurer be directed to deposit the following check for Resale-2-Grady County Treasurer-\$4720.00

Be it resolved by the Board of the Grady County Commissioners that the County Treasurer be directed to deposit the following checks for General Fund-R2-oil & gas revenue-Continental Resources-\$382.89, Newfield Exploration-\$45.86, Citizens Energy-\$29.33, City of Tuttle-ID Cards-\$97.50, USDA-rent-\$2676.00 & Stephens County DA-1/2 electric bill-\$770.38

Windle Hardy made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Mike Lennier. AYE: Windle Hardy, AYE: Mike Lennier, and AYE: Ralph Beard.

Meeting was adjourned.

Passed and approved the 14th day of September 2015.

Attest:
Commissioners

The Board of the Grady County

County Clerk

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Member

(SEAL)