

October 3, 2016

The Edwards County Board of Commissioners met with Mica Schnoebelen, Billy Brokar and LaVerne Wetzel present. Gina Schuette, County Clerk, was also in attendance.

Chairman Schnoebelen called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

Mr. Wetzel moved to approve the September 19, 2016 minutes as presented. Mr. Brokar seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

Mr. Wetzel moved to enter into executive session at 8:32 AM for 5 minutes for non-elected personnel to review payroll reports and to reconvene at 8:37 AM. Mr. Brokar seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

The Board reconvened at 8:37 AM with no action being taken.

Mr. Brokar nominated LaVerne Wetzel as the voting delegate at the KCAMP and KWORCC annual meetings held in November in conjunction with the Kansas Association of Counties (KAC) annual conference. Mr. Schnoebelen seconded the nomination and it passed with all in favor.

Mr. Wetzel nominated Mica Schnoebelen as the alternate voting delegate at the KCAMP and KWORCC annual meetings held in November in conjunction with the Kansas Association of Counties (KAC) annual conference. Mr. Brokar seconded the nomination and it passed with all in favor.

Vouchers were approved and warrants were signed for the following:

County General	\$47,466.38
Road & Bridge	\$19,933.80
Noxious Weed	\$1,461.22
Employee Benefits	\$11,753.83
County Health	\$5,604.29
Economic Development	\$1,827.56
Capital Improvement Reserve	\$90,000.00
Edwards Co 911	\$134.57
Motor Vehicle Special	\$13.16
Total Voucher & Warrants:	\$178,194.81

Richard Neilson, County Works Director, joined the meeting.

Mr. Neilson gave a work in progress report which included culvert work.

The Board approved Mr. Neilson's request to assist the City of Kinsley with sand sealing the dirt road south of the restrooms in the South Park. Mr. Neilson added that he will bill the City for the use of County equipment and labor.

At 8:55 AM the Board recessed to view the progress of the installation of the new courthouse windows.

The Board reconvened at 9:10 AM.

A discussion followed regarding replacing the blinds in the courthouse after the new windows are installed as many of the blinds are in very poor shape. The Board decided to table any action on the blinds for further information.

Taylor Durr, Knipp Services representative, joined the meeting.

A discussion followed regarding the progress of the replacement of the courthouse windows.

District Magistrate Judge Ken Schmidt joined the meeting.

Judge Schmidt expressed concerns about all the noise while replacing the windows in the courtroom area during scheduled hearings. Judge Schmidt advised that it is virtually impossible to hear in the courtroom with all the noise. Judge Schmidt presented a court schedule and requested that no window work be done in the courtroom area while court is being held. A discussion followed and Mr. Durr agreed to work around the court schedule.

Judge Schmidt, Mr. Durr and Mr. Neilson left the meeting.

For the record, County Attorney Mark Frame did not meet with the Board at 9:30 AM.

Jim Hansel, Edwards County Hospital CEO, and Sheri Brenner, Edwards County Hospital CFO, joined the meeting.

Ms. Brenner presented financial reports through August 31, 2016. Ms. Brenner added that August was busy month and there was a 17% increase in revenues.

Connie McLean, Edwards County Hospital Board Member, joined the meeting.

Mr. Hansel advised that the cost for BKD to do the hospital audit was \$59,000.00, therefore, they are getting quotes from other auditing firms.

Ms. Brenner left the meeting.

Mr. Wetzel moved to enter into executive session at 10:10 AM for 20 minutes to discuss a land acquisition and to reconvene at 10:30 AM. Mr. Brokar seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

The Board reconvened at 10:30 AM with no action being taken.

Rusty Strate and Larry Myers, Edwards County Hospital Board Members, joined the meeting.

A discussion followed regarding the hospital capital improvement projects including the construction of a new helipad, storm shelter and an additional parking area.

The hospital group left the meeting.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 AM.

APPROVED AS PRESENTED BY ORDER OF
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OCTOBER 11, 2016

EDWARDS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Mica Schnoebelen, Chairman

LaVerne Wetzel

ATTEST:

Gina L. Schuette, County Clerk

Billy L. Brokar