

FINANCE
March 18, 2020

- Call to order** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Duane Rogers at 9:00 a.m. Committee members present were Geri Kozelka and Gerry Krachey. Greg Russell and Wayne Jerrett were excused. Board Chairman Tom Cornford, County Clerk Janet Geisler and numerous department heads were also present.
- Verify posting** The meeting was verified as being properly posted.
- App of Minutes** Krachey moved, Kozelka seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.
- State of Emergency** A State of Emergency has been declared and signed for Crawford County due to the Caronavirus.. Discussion was held with those present on how the County buildings will be locked down. The public will have access to the building by appointment only. Judge Lynn Rider stated that the public still needs to have access to the Courthouse to pay fines. The main door to the Courthosue will be blocked off. She is not cancelling court but appearances may need to be handled over the telephone. The Administration Building will have access through one door only with the second set of doors being locked. A phone will be placed so that the public can call the office they need to meet with. All information regarding the crisis will be handled through Cindy Riniker. Committee meeting may only have ten or less in attendance.
- A policy will be worked on regarding employees who need to work from home to stay with their children. The County's current policy does not address this.
- App of Bills** Krachey moved, Kozelka seconded to approve the regular monthly bills. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.
- Krachey moved, Rogers seconded to approve paying the bill to Bernie Buchner for the controls at the Administration Building out of the Contingency Fund. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.
- Referendum** Supervisor Don Stirling appeared and distributed a resolution that the County place a referendum on the November ballot regarding creating a nonpartisan procedure for the preparation of legislative and congressional redistricting plans and maps. This would be taken up at the June County Board meeting Leslie Wegener from Vernon County addressed the Board at the request of Supervisor Stirling. There are currently eight counties that has passed a referendum.

Krachey moved, Kozelka seconded to move the resolution on to the full County Board. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

NG911 costs

Julie Cipra, 911 Coordinator, appeared regarding the grant which has not been officially received. CenturyLink, Indigital and Frontier submitted bids. CenturyLink came in with the lowest price and technical availability. She is asking for permission to select CenturyLink as the vendor. The County should plan on costs being around \$125,000 with the grant being \$75,000 and the County's portion being \$25,000.

Krachey moved, Rogers seconded to move forward with the NG911 system with CenturyLink as the vendor contingent upon receiving grant funding. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Fiber line

Julie advised the committee that there has been an issue with internet speed at the Sheriff's department and a new fiber line would help that as well as increasing the speed at the Courthouse. Three quotes were received to make the fiber connection with Five Star Telecom being the lowest at \$1,717.00. The County will only have a small increase of \$29.00 per month for the increased speed due to three DSL lines being eliminated.

Kozelka moved, Krachey seconded to accept the cost of \$1,717 from Five Star Telecom for installing the fiber line and also approve the \$29.00 per month increase in fee for high speed internet. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Dept reports

Donna Steger, Child Support Specialist, presented her annual report. Treasurer Deanne Lutz distributed the sales tax report.

Clerk Janet Geisler advised that the 2019 new car line item from the Sheriff's department was not carried forward and they have recently purchased five cars. Chairman Tom Cornford approved carrying forward the amount so that the cars could be purchased.

Rogers moved, Kozelka seconded to reaffirm the decision of Chairman Tom Cornford to carry forward the 2019 new car account from the Sheriff's department in 2020. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Next Meeting

April 8, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. to prepare the County Board agenda.

Adjournment

Krachey moved, Kozelka seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast and the meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

Janet Geisler, County Clerk

