## FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

September 29, 2014 9:00 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Dirk Bowles, Commissioner Boyd Burbank, Commissioner Scott Workman, Vic Pearson, and Deputy Clerk Camille Larsen

## 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- **2. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA.** Boyd made the motion to add senior citizens center board member concerns to agenda. A second was made by Scott and passed unanimously.
- 3. AIRPORT UPDATE. Dirk said that he was emailed some papers to sign. John Kezele has not received the papers and said he was out of the loop. Dirk will make sure he gets the emails. The material for the fence is to be American material and John is to make sure the contractor is aware of this. The cost for the fence is approximately \$72,000. Property to the south of the runway will need to be purchased for operational safety extension of runway. An environmental survey still needs to be conducted as well as a property survey to determine the property lines and place markers. A lease agreement will need to be drafted for the farming of County property. The access road is within the airport property.
- **SENIOR CITIZEN GRANT.** Kimberlee Keller has talked to SICOG about a \$150,000 grant to purchase upgrades for the Center. The Commissioners agreed to pay the \$5,000 fee for SICOG to write the grant. SICOG will also receive 10% of the grant for administration fee. Kimberlee is not certified to administer the grant. Boyd motioned for Kimberlee to work with Susan at SICOG for the grant. Scott seconded and the vote was unanimous. Dirk said to pay the \$5,000 fee out of the Sundry fund.
- **Rocky Mountain Power Donation.** The Rocky Mountain Power has agreed to donate \$2,000 for the new practice arena. It was agreed to recognize their donation by putting a sign on the practice arena.
- 6. **Groll Fitness Center.** The Groll Fitness Center is trying to refinance but since they are three years behind in paying their taxes, the bank will not refinance until all the years are paid. The bank has offered an additional \$20,000 to pay the taxes. The Grolls asked the Commissioners to take the \$20,000 and write off the rest of the taxes, interest, and penalties.

Parcel # 5352.00 with interest and penalties = \$38,168.52 without = \$34,425.94 Parcel #5355.00 with interest and penalties = \$4,984.98 without = \$4,260.74

Boyd abstained from the discussion because of a business relationship with Grolls. Dirk and Scott both agreed not to accept the \$20,000 and write off the balance. It would not be fair to other tax payers and businesses. Dirk said if the Grolls paid \$7518.52 by Friday for the 2011 taxes the Commissioners would forgive the interest and penalties and that would give them another year to catch

up on the 2012 and 2013 taxes. Another option is to pay the taxes in full, \$38,168.52, by February and the Commissioners will write-off the penalties and interest. Jeanette will contact the Grolls on Tuesday before processing the Tax Deed, which would add additional fees to their balance. Jase stated the value assessed on the parcels is fair for a commercial building. The Grolls could petition a hardship exemption for the 2015 taxes.

- 7. **Treasurer**. Jeanette asked the Commissioners to attach the mobile home to land taxes for the following parcels: Parcel #0727.00, Parcel #07189.00, Parcel #07166.00. Scott motioned to attach the mobile home to the land taxes. Dirk seconded and the vote was unanimous.
- 8. Registration Fees Increase Public Hearing Resolution 2014-09-29. The hearing was opened at 10:15 a.m. Jase read the legal #7677 that was published September 17 and 24. The state increased their rate and to offset the fee, the County is needing to increase the registration fee by \$.75. The mail will increase from \$.50 to \$.75 and the administration fees will be increased from \$3.50 to \$4.00. Boyd made the motion to increase the fees. Scott seconded and the vote was unanimous. The rate increase will be effective November 1.
- 9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ¶IC 67-2345 (a,b)** At 10:25 a.m. Scott made the motion to go into executive session. Boyd seconded and the vote was unanimous. Executive session ended at 10:40 a.m.
- 10. Senior Citizen Board. Bob Purser brought a letter from the current Board Chairman, Douglas Gamble, asking for the resignation of a board member, without conferring with other board members, that has not attended three board meetings in a row. Boyd will check the Bylaws and regulations. Boyd also talked with Bob about the hiring of a daughter and if this is nepotism.

Adjourned at 11:30 a.m. Next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 14, 2014.

Attest, Camille Larsen

Dirk Bowles, Chair