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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 18, 2015

1:00 PM

SPECIAL MEETING

BOCC Meeting Room

Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

The Clerk reported, after calling roll, that all Commissioners were present.

Chairman Ranzau said, "Next item."

NEW BUSINESS

A [15-0567](#) DISCUSSION OF COUNTY COUNSELOR POSITION.

Presented by: Ron Holt, Acting County Manager.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Take action as deemed appropriate by the Commission.

Mr. Ron Holt, greeted the Commissioners and said, "For the record, the County Counselor position has been advertised for several months, now and through that process we ended up, in our first round of reviews, eight applications. Working with the HR (Human Resources) Department, those applications were reduced down to four candidates. On August the 4th, you interviewed, as teams of two, two, and I worked with Commissioner Norton, so it was two, two and two interviews of three of those candidates. On August 10th, [2015], using that same format, we interviewed the fourth candidate. I believe that out of those interviews and based on the responses you've got and the conversations that these candidates provided, based on their experience and their interest in this position, I believe, Commissioners, you are ready and prepared to select a candidate for the County Counselor's position. I will turn this back to the bench for you to take whatever action you deem appropriate."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Thank you, Ron. Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. After going through the process, as described by the Manager and our discussions in Executive Session, I would be pleased to put out a name for nomination for County Counselor, Judge Eric Yost."

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to appoint Judge Eric Yost to the position of County Counselor, pending his resignation of judgeship from the 18th Judicial District Court.

Commissioner Peterjohn seconded the motion.

Chairman Ranzau said, "Is there any discussion or comments? Commissioner Howell."

Commissioner Howell said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just want to just say that we had some really good candidates. It actually interviewed very well and this decision is not based on any prior opinions of Judge Eric Yost, but really based on the questions and answers that he provided during the interview process."

"I think he is an exceptional candidate for the position and I think that he is going to do extremely well in that position, so my support for him is truly based on the interview, itself. It was a tough decision. We had very, very good candidates; I think many of them were highly qualified and could do the job, but I think he did a little bit better than the others and so that's why I will support this decision. Thank you."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Anyone else? I will just echo the comments of my colleagues and say thank you, Ron [Holt], Adele [Dunn], Eileen [McNichol], for all that you have done throughout this process, you have been very helpful. Seeing that there are no other comments. Mike Pepoon."

Mr. Mike Pepoon, Acting County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I just want to point out that it has not been worked out, in talking, with Judge Yost, what day his appointment will be, because he is currently a judge, so you may just make the motion to adopt a resolution, at a later date, appointing him, officially, after he resigns his judgeship."

Commissioner Unruh said, "So, what is the technical description of our action today?"

Mr. Pepoon said, "You are appointing Judge Eric Yost to the position of Counselor, pending his resignation as a District Court Judge."

VOTE

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Chairman Ranzau said, "Next item, please."

Approved

B [15-0551](#)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR
MEETING ON AUGUST 13, 2015.

Presented by: Joe Thomas, Director, Purchasing Department.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the recommendations of the Board
of Bids and Contracts.

Mr. Joe Thomas, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts of August 13, 2015, results in one item for your consideration. The item is:

**1. 2015 SUPER SEAL PHASE 2 – PUBLIC WORKS FUNDING – R175
PREVENTATIVE MX-15**

"The recommendation is to accept the proposal from Andale Ready Mix Central Inc., at the negotiated cost of \$279,048.29.

"I'll be happy to answer any questions you might have and recommend approval of this item."

MOTION

Chairman Ranzau moved to accept the proposal from Andale Ready Mix Central Inc., at the negotiated cost of \$279,048.29.

Commissioner Peterjohn seconded the motion.

Chairman Ranzau said, "I will say this is a joint venture between the City of Maize, the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County for the road 37th Street North, just north of Maize Road. Maize Road to 119th. I guess this is an example of the County, the City and City of Maize working together, for our lustrous [Wichita] Eagle reporter, there. Make sure your editorial board knows about this. Commissioner Peterjohn."

Commissioner Peterjohn said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. You kind of beat me to the punch, so I was just going to point out that I thought this was an excellent example of two cities and Sedgwick County working together, for the public interest and I am going to be supporting this motion this morning, thank you."

Chairman Ranzau said, "The reason we need to do this one, is to get this going, because we don't have a meeting for a couple of weeks and we want to get this process going. Some of this stuff is best done in the heat."

Mr. David Spears, Director, Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We actually had the preconstruction conference, this morning, hoping that we would get this approved, this afternoon. It is planned to get started, the week after next."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Madam Clerk call the vote."

VOTE

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Mr. Thomas said, "Thank you, Commissioners."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Thank you. Next, I think we have a need for an Executive Session. Commissioner Peterjohn."

MOTION

Commissioner Peterjohn moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into Executive Session for 45 minutes to consider consultation with Legal Counsel on matters privileged in the attorney-client relationship relating to legal advice, personnel matters of non elected personnel, and matters relating to employer-employee negotiations and that the Board of County Commissioners return from Executive Session no sooner than 1:55 p.m.

Commissioner Howell seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Norton</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Peterjohn</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Chairman Ranzau said, "We'll now move to Executive Session."

Approved

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session at 1:10 p.m. and returned at 2:23 p.m.

Chairman Ranzau said, "We are now back from Executive Session. No binding action was taken. Mr. Manager, is there anything else to come before the Commission?"

Mr. Holt said, "No, sir."

Chairman Ranzau said, "Seeing no other business, we are adjourned."

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

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