

Logan County Commissioners Work Session

March 23, 2021

Present: Byron Pelton, Joe McBride, Alan Samber, Valarie Richards, Marilee Johnson, Jerry Casebolt, Shawn Mion, Alma McArthur, Chance Wright, Aaron Tilden, Doug Riat, Jeff Rice and Jennifer Crow.

Chairman Pelton called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS SESSION – The minutes from the March 16, 2021 Work Session will need to be approved on March 30, 2021 when Commissioner Bauder returns.

REVIEW AND APPROVE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES SCHEDULE OF BILLS AND PAYROLL – Valerie Richards met with the Board to review and approve the Logan County Department of Human Services schedule of bills dated March 23, 2021. The Board approved all bills as presented. The Board also approved Department of Human Services payroll for the period February 27 through March 12, 2021.

REVISIONS TO WORK SESSION AGENDA – There were no issues added.

COURTHOUSE SECURITY – Recently there was a break-in at the Courthouse on a Saturday. The trespassers were seen on the Motor Vehicle office's cameras as well as the break room cameras. All of the doors should have been locked and the entry point is unknown. Jerry Casebolt is working with Christian Watt to position a security camera with four lenses in the rotunda that should capture the entire area persons would have to walk through in the building except they will not cover the office doors. Three or four cameras for the time being will be purchased.

It would be helpful to have locks that show whether the door is locked or unlocked at a glance. There is an issue with retrofitting the historic old doors with newer locks. Jerry will talk to Chance more about the locks. Funds may be available from the Homeland Security Grant later this year. Proximity access magnetic locks may be purchased. If this magnetic system is on lock, the doors will not open. Panic buttons on the inside will still allow the doors to be opened for exiting the building. The handicapped entrance will have a regular lock on it as it is a newer door.

3.0 DIAL - Comments were due on the new 3.0 dial yesterday. The mask mandate will be modified with only schools still required to wear masks until graduation. All restrictions on outdoor activities and capacity limits on outdoor and most indoor places will be lifted on April 16. The new 3.0 dial will go into effect tomorrow.

KARI LINKER ON BEHALF OF SENATOR HICKENLOOPER - Kari Linker met with the Board to introduce herself as the new aid to Senator John Hickenlooper. She is the regional director for the eastern plains and will act as the outreach person with a mobile office that will serve ten counties. Ms. Linker toured the annex and told the Commissioners that they should be proud of that project. Senator Hickenlooper was assigned to the Small Business and

Entrepreneurship Committee, the Commerce Committee, the Energy and Natural Resources Committee, the Health, Education, Labor and Pension Committee, and is chairing the Subcommittee for Workplace Safety as well as the subcommittee for Space and Energy.

FAIRGROUNDS MEMORIAL FENCE SECTIONS – The Board agreed the memorial fence sections will be placed in order of purchase, first come, first served. The project will be launched in April. Sections that do not have a symbol on the fence will have a 6” x 24” plaque for a memorial.

MILILIG DESIGN – Aaron Tilden and Doug Riat of Millig Design Build met with the Board concerning building efficiency and improvements to HVAC systems and other areas. Chance Wright also joined the meeting. Millig is offering to do a study on several county buildings to identify problems and how to best deal with failing HVAC systems, plumbing and other issues. The priorities identified are the Courthouse, the Annex and the Heritage Center. The Board also mentioned several problems at the Justice Center such as venting and the envelope of the windows not being sealed and the Road and Bridge Department plumbing and lighting.

Existing infrastructure will be investigated and an architectural analysis performed. Recommendations will be developed with full construction documents and specifications provided for a turn-key project implementation. The ability to hire local contractors to install and for maintenance on systems is important. There is a lot of grant funding available due to COVID-19 for HVAC systems. Millig can help with writing DOLA and other grants. Air handling and purification is a high priority for use with the Coronavirus money for the Board especially in the jail to prevent outbreaks. The Annex HVAC needs to be determined if the coworking project is going to be long-term in the building and renovate more space.

Lighting evaluation is also part of the project. Changing lighting fixtures to LED fixtures is preferable for the Board. The Board asked if the company had any experience with LED lighting on building exteriors. The fairgrounds arena lighting fixtures should be included in the analysis.

The Board agreed that Millig Design Build would be allowed to perform a study on the county buildings discussed and form a plan to deal with building issues. Millig Design Build will need permission to access utility company records and be allowed access to existing building plans in a digital format if possible. There is no cost to the county to perform the study. The company will schedule time to look through the facilities discussed.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.