

**Logan County Commissioners Work Session  
November 5, 2019**

Present: Joe McBride, Jane Bauder, Alan Samber, Valerie Richards, Kristan Lange, Jerry Casebolt, Marilee Johnson, John Haynie, Jeff Rice, Cindy Moore, Michael Kiolbasa and Jennifer Crow.

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS SESSION** - Approval of the minutes of October 29, 2019 was tabled to the November 12, 2019 Work Session.

**REVISIONS TO WORK SESSION AGENDA** - The Board will meet with Jerry Casebolt to discuss FEMA Flood Plain matters, John Haynie, Logan County Veteran's Service Officer will discuss a Veteran's Day Proclamation and the Board will meet with Cindy Moore, President of the Logan County Arts League concerning the Sterling Creative District.

**REVIEW LOGAN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES SCHEDULE OF BILLS** - Valerie Richards met with the Board to review the Logan County Department of Human Services schedule of bills dated November 5, 2019. The Board approved all bills as presented.

**REVIEW LOGAN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES PAYROLL** - Valerie Richards met with the Board to review the Logan County Department of Human Services payroll for the period October 12 through October 25, 2019. The Board approved the payroll as presented.

**REVIEW LOGAN COUNTY SCHEDULE OF BILLS** - Kristan Lange met with the Board to review the Logan County schedule of bills dated November 5, 2019. The Board approved all bills as presented.

**REVIEW OF BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA** - The Board will remove approval of the minutes of the October 29, 2019 Business Meeting from the consent agenda and table them to November 19, 2019. The Board will add an announcement concerning County Offices being closed Monday, November 11, 2019 for Veteran's Day.

**VETERAN'S DAY PROCLAMATION** - Veteran's Service Officer John Haynie met with the Board and presented a draft proclamation for Veteran's Day. The Board agreed to sign the proclamation when they meet Thursday, November 7 for budget discussions. Mr. Haynie will contact the VFW or American Legion to have them read the proclamation at the ceremony on November 11.

**FEMA FLOOD PLAIN MAPS** - Jerry Casebolt, Logan County Emergency Manager met with the Board concerning a public meeting scheduled on November 12. FEMA intends to inform the public of properties that will be added to the floodplain at the meeting. The Board is concerned that property owners have not been properly notified of the meeting. Casebolt has been working with Cally Hill in the Assessor's Office to determine the exact number of houses that will be added. There are 893 properties to be added, not all of the properties involve homes. FEMA has reassessed the floodplains because things have changed over time and new technology gives a

better picture of what the floodplain should include. There will be big changes in the Iliff area. Nearly three quarters of the Town of Iliff has been added to the floodplain.

There will be a conference call at 10 a.m. with FEMA officials to discuss the meeting. Jerry Casebolt will discuss postponing the meeting with Rob Quint.

The Assessor's Office has identified 598 landowners and addresses that will need to be notified so far, however the information is not in a database. Landowners will only be given a 60-90 day appeal process so they need to be informed of a meeting so they know how to file and appeal.

**LOGAN COUNTY ARTS LEAGUE** - Cindy Moore, President of the Logan County Arts League (LOCAL) met with the Board. The league has received notification that the Sterling Creative District is a finalist to be designated as a Creative District. The State's only concern was that the district did not have any public funds going in to the organization. Ms. Moore requested that Logan County provide an investment of \$5,000 per year for a couple of years to help fund the district and get the Creative District rolling. A certification delegation is coming to Sterling next Tuesday, November 12 to tour the Creative District. They would like to have something from the County in hand to present to the delegation.

The creative district will provide an opening for the district to receive State Economic Development grants and will allow the grants to be fast tracked to help bring arts businesses into Sterling. The district has been 100% sponsor funded to this point. The district's budgeted expenses total \$16,202 with total income of \$17,200 for the year. The district also has \$10,000 in the bank.

The Board agreed to provide an answer by Thursday as they are meeting to finalize the budget.

The Logan County Arts League is involved in reaching out to schools for art programs. They sponsored the Art in the Square Chalk Competition at the Courthouse Square. They have been involved in July Jams, and is working to get Sugar Beet Days under LOCAL as well as the Sterling Film Festival in 2021.

The \$5,000 will go towards the program manager budget in order to pay a small salary.

**SILENT RAILROAD CROSSING** - Silent Railroad Crossings will be removed from Unfinished Business on the Work Session agenda. The project will take a number of years to move forward and may not be feasible as it requires \$10,000 per year for maintenance. It is not feasible for the smaller towns to budget that amount every year.

**SUNSET MEMORIAL GARDENS** - Alan Samber provided Mr. Lawlor with a copy of the agreement last week. Mr. Lawlor is reviewing it and will get back to Alan by midweek this week.

**2020 CENSUS** - Commissioner Bauder has contacted 2020 Census officials and will schedule a meeting with them and the core committee. More information on how to proceed will be provided at the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.