## Logan County Commissioners Work Session October 22, 2019

Present: Joe McBride, Byron Pelton, Jane Bauder, Alan Samber, Shannon Graves, Kristan Lange, Jerry Casebolt, Marilee Johnson, Todd Schmidt, Jeff Reeves, Jeff Rice and Jennifer Crow.

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS SESSION** - Commissioner Pelton moved to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2019 Work Session as written. Commissioner Bauder seconded, and the motion carried.

**REVISIONS TO WORK SESSION AGENDA** - The Board will meet with Jeff Reeves, Road and Bridge Manager concerning a bridge grant. The Board will review and approve the RFP for the security camera system. The Board will approve assignment of ambulance collection accounts to Wakefield. The Board will discuss repair of the Courthouse Lights at the north entrance and also programming lights for Christmas.

## **REVIEW LOGAN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES SCHEDULE OF BILLS** - Shannon Graves met with the Board to review the Logan County Department of Human Services schedule of bills dated October 22, 2019. The Board approved all bills as presented.

**REVIEW LOGAN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES PAYROLL** -Shannon Graves met with the Board to review the Logan County Department of Human Services payroll for the period September 28 through October 11, 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 October 22, 2019. The Board approved all bills as presented.

**LOGAN COUNTY AMBULANCE COLLECTION ASSIGNMENTS** - Commissioner Pelton moved to approve assignment of a Logan County Ambulance debt collections account to Wakefield and Associates, the account number ending in 57012 and allow the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Bauder seconded and the motion carried 3-0.

**SECURITY CAMERA RFP** - Jerry Casebolt met with the Board concerning the Security Camera RFP. The RFP lists cameras required for the Clerk's election security purposes, and includes replacement of two cameras at the drop box, one camera in the ballot count room and one camera where voting booths are stored. The original camera system is obsolete and is not reliable. The cameras will have night vision and the system will have capability for expansion. Bids are due back on November 18 and will be opened on November 19, 2019. The Board approved the release of the RFP.

**IT RFP** - The RFP walkthrough was held yesterday. There was a good response and the walkthrough went well. There were ten people in attendance and three attended via conference call. Casebolt said that through questions asked and then answered by Les Archuleta of Platinum Technology there is a better knowledge of the Courthouse IT system and the county will receive

a better product for the money.

**OFF SYSTEM BRIDGE GRANT** - Jeff Reeves, Logan County Road and Bridge Manager discussed an application for an Off System Bridge Grant for the Red Lion Bridge. Colorado Counties, Inc. (CCI) administers the state grants. This grant application is in the amount of \$2,905,000. A previous grant award in the amount of \$453,600 was a partial grant used for engineering. There is a good chance at getting funded due to the previous award. There is not enough money in the Off System Bridge Grants to fund all projects fully so they have started funding the large projects in stages. Other grants are being investigated including DOLA grants. The Board approved the grant application.

## COLORADO PARKS AND WILDLIFE INTRODUCTIONS/UPDATE ON CPW

**ACTIVITIES** - Todd Schmidt and Mason Allen met with the Board with an update on Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) activities. The Brush office covers six northeast counties, Logan, Morgan, Sedgwick, Phillips, Washington and Yuma.

Mason Allen is the District Wildlife Manager based in Brush. The DWM is the law enforcement arm of the CPW. Fall is a very active time for CPW with deer, duck and pronghorn seasons underway etc. Education and outreach is another aspect of CPW, teaching hunter education classes. CPW attends many events talking about wildlife with kids and adults, and offers fishing and hunting clinics. The other aspect of CPW is wildlife management whether through being actively involved in several different studies that are being conducted or helping to care for and/or deal with injured wildlife reported by the public. CPW owns properties all up and down the South Platte River and works to improve habitat for wildlife along those areas.

CPW recently purchased approximately 2,700 acres in Logan County at Hwy 14 and CR 21, the Pawnee Valley State Trust Land which will be used for recreational purposes. They worked with the State Land Board to purchase many of the properties which are dual use i.e. Ag lease and recreational leases which are only open for a certain period of time.

Another CPW project discussed was the fifth year of a quail research project, which is looking at how grazing affects quail habitat and intense grazing over short periods vs. less intense grazing over longer periods to determine ways to utilize grazing to help the small game.

CPW is also collecting chronic wasting disease samples from the deer herds to determine prevalence of the disease and formulate herd management plans.

The Board discussed concerns of citizens about deer herds near the town and safety.

**COURTHOUSE LIGHTING** - The Board approved a quote from Blazen Illuminations in the amount of \$3,100 for repairs for the north entrance LED lighting. Funding for the repairs will come from the sales tax proceeds. The Board also would like to investigate the cost of programming the Courthouse lights as a holiday display set to music over the radio. There may be a cost for a component to sync the lights to a song on the hour, or half hour. This display would last for one or two songs and then the lights would be constant for the remainder of the hour. Jennifer will work with Blazen to see if they can program the lights to music for the Christmas season.

SILENT RAILROAD CROSSING - No update.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN** - Trae Miller sent an e-mail to the State Economic Development Director for wording for what it would take to comply with the plan. There has been no response. Commissioner McBride will continue working on it. There are other areas that have the incentives in place but they may be too light or too heavy for this area. Anything too heavy for the area will not bring in any businesses. There may be some middle ground that the State can help identify.

**SUNSET MEMORIAL GARDENS** - The Board approved the draft agreement drawn up by County Alan Samber. Samber will get the agreement to Bruce Lawlor and ask him to review the draft.

**2020 CENSUS.** - The state has allotted \$2,500 in grant funds to help with promotional materials. Commissioner Bauder will be applying for a grant. There has been a good response to a letter sent out requesting people interested in volunteering for a Complete Count Committee. A representative from the media is still needed.

**ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

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