

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ROGERS COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

**PLACE:** Rogers County Courthouse, Commissioners' Meeting Room  
200 S. Lynn Riggs Blvd., Claremore, OK

**DATE & TIME:** Monday, September 29, 2014, at 2:00 P.M.

### MINUTES

#### **\*\*\*CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO BE TAKEN ON THE FOLLOWING LISTED ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:**

- ITEM 1:** **CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman DeLozier called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m.
- ITEM 2:** **ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM:**  
Determine that Notice of Meeting and Agenda were properly posted in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act. Chairman Dan DeLozier, Commissioners Mike Helm and Kirt Thacker were present and quorum established and determined that notice of Meeting and Agenda were properly posted in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.
- ITEM 3:** Meet with Elected Officials and Department Heads regarding 2014-15 General Fund Budget/Estimates of needs – C.P.A. Bill Turner and County Clerk First Deputy Teresa Jackson were present to go over the estimates of needs with the Board.
- Discussion began with each department reporting how many employees they had. Some elected officials and department heads were asking for new employees including Assessor Scott Marsh, Planning Commission Director Larry Curtis, and Emergency Management Director Scotty Stokes.
  - Full-time and part-time employees in the various departments were discussed. Election Board Secretary Julie Dermody mentioned that one of her part-time employees was receiving benefits as a full-time person. It was questioned by Thacker and Helm. Human Resource Director Jenny Bentley stated she would check into it.
  - The increase in insurance premiums to Burrows and the final bill to Flintco was discussed.
  - The various Elected Officials and Department Heads that were asking for substantial increases explained why. Assessor Marsh was asking for \$77,000.00 in increases, Director Curtis, Director Hamilton, and Director Stokes were also asking for substantial increases.
  - Chairman DeLozier and the Board went down the list of each Elected Official and Department Heads and asked what could be cut. Several made cuts.
- ITEM 4:** **RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT:** DeLozier made a motion to recess until 2:00 p.m. October 14, 2014 at and Thacker seconded the motion. Roll call: DeLozier – aye, Helm – aye, Thacker – aye. Motion carried. Meeting recessed at 3:49 p.m.

### **RECONVENED MEETING 2:00 p.m. October 6, 2014**

Meeting was called to order by Chairman DeLozier at 2:16 p.m. Chairman Dan DeLozier, Commissioners Mike Helm and Kirt Thacker were present and quorum established and determined that notice of Meeting and Agenda were properly posted in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

C.P.A. Bill Turner announced that we are down \$700,000 from last year's budget and the carryover's down. The cost of employee benefits was discussed. Undersheriff Jon Sappington stated that the jail pays for their employees' benefits so it makes sense that the commissioners pay theirs out of the highway fund. Helm told him he needs to let the commissioners do their job. Thacker stated we may have to cut people. Court Clerk Kim Henry announced she cut two people last year and this year she wasn't giving up any employees. Thacker replied to her that she may have to. Helm asked Julie Dermody and Jenny Bentley if they got the problem fixed with Ms. Dermody's part-time employee receiving full benefits when they are not supposed to. Jenny stated she had sent an email to Julie but had no reply. Helm asked Dermody if she wanted the board to take care of it and she answered that she would fix it.

Bill Turner announced we still need to cut \$1,200,000. DeLozier told Larry Curtis that he was going to have to cut the two new employees. Curtis agreed and also gave up some capital outlay. Scotty Stokes was asked to cut and he cut his to reflect not hiring a new person, buying a new vehicle, and not purchasing the equipment he was wanting. Treasurer Cathy Baker cut her estimate of needs back \$190,000. She stated she could use cash funds to make up the difference.

Helm made a motion to have Bill Turner and Teresa Jackson look at the numbers and the board pick up the rest and recess the meeting until 3:00 p.m. on October 14, 2014 and Thacker seconded the motion. Roll call: DeLozier – aye, Helm – aye, Thacker – aye. Motion carried. Meeting recessed at 3:49 p.m.

**Reconvened Meeting 3:00 p.m. October 14, 2014**

Meeting was called to order by Chairman DeLozier at 3:11 p.m. Chairman Dan DeLozier, Commissioners Mike Helm and Kirt Thacker were present and quorum established and determined that notice of Meeting and Agenda were properly posted in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

Treasurer Cathy Baker agreed to pay half of her employees from the Property Resale Fund and to cut her accounts. Bill Turner stated then we have \$638,000 more to cut.

Helm stated Flintco was contacted and we owe them \$230,000. There was \$651,000 in the account so that will leave \$421,000. Turner recalculated the figures and reported \$217,000 is what we need now to cut.

DeLozier asked Ryan Baze if we could pull some out of the maintenance fund. The Court Clerk, Assessor, and Human Resources all agreed to cut their estimates of needs further which brought the balance to cut closer to \$200,000. After discussion, it was determined that \$200,000 could come out of the building fund.

DeLozier made a motion to take the \$200,000 out of the building improvement fund and Thacker seconded the motion. Roll call: DeLozier – aye, Helm – aye, Thacker – aye. Motion carried. DeLozier made a motion to adjourn at 3:31 p.m. and Thacker seconded the motion. Roll call: DeLozier – aye, Helm – aye, Thacker – aye. Motion carried.

  
Robin Anderson, Rogers County Clerk



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ROGERS COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

  
Chairman Dan DeLozier

Commissioner Mike Helm

  
Commissioner Kirt Thacker

*Notice of said meeting was filed in the Office of the County Clerk on Wednesday, September 24, 2014 at 5:05 p.m. and posted on the Front Door Entrance to the Courthouse and on the county website.*