Norton Co Board of Commissioners

April 30, 2024

Convene

Commissioner Garrett Beydler called the meeting of the Norton Co Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 AM on April 30, 2024 at the Commission Room. Attendance: Richard Thompson, Present; Garrett Beydler, Present; Marvin Matchett, Present.

Solid Waste

Ted White, Norton County Solid Waste spoke with the commission on the construction/demolition rates. The fees were discussed because contractors state that insurance companies are not reimbursing at the rate of the landfill fees. John Sanders joined the meeting to confirm that this has been a concern. John stated most global companies have adjusted however a few Kansas owned mutual firms have not.

Ted delivered an inspection report to the commission from Foley Equipment on the 953 Cat. The report gave a detail itemization of the mechanics of the machine.

Ted reported that the MSW pit is getting close to it's capacity and the commission should be aware that next year a new MSW pit will be needed.

Ted stated that his 2" trash pump is nearing the end of life. After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Matchett to purchase a new pump with a second from Commissioner Thompson. Motion passed.

Justin Donovan

Justin Donovan spoke with the commission about contract mowing for Norton County. Justin stated he has a tractor and mower and could do three townships for the county, Center, Garfield and Rockwell. Pricing was discussed and Justin will deliver a breakdown for the commission to review. No decision was made.

April 2024 vouchers and payroll

The commission and county attorney reviewed the April 2024 vouchers and payroll. The vouchers and payroll were signed and approved as submitted,

Road Department

Terry Laughlin spoke with the commission on the 2024 Biennial Bridge Inspection report. The report noted three bridges that will need maintenance or replacement. Jordan with Penco Engineering joined the meeting by phone. After review of the report the commission agreed to place OS123 on the replacement and will remove OS76 and replace with culverts.

Terry reported that KDHE fuel tank and permits have been updated and in good order with KDHE. There will be a May certification course which some department employees will attend.

Terry spoke with the commission about a request from the Norton Mini Track to use the county water truck. The Mini Track Speedway has agreed to do maintenance to the truck if needed. The commission approved the request as long as the Mini Track Speedway provides the County with an insurance certificate naming the county as a certificate holder.

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Tax Abatement

Tax abatement #2024001128 was submitted to the commission for approval. The statement was issued for property that was damaged and needed reassessed. The abatement was approved as submitted in the amount of \$791.12.

Burn Ban

A motion was made by Commissioner Matchett to lift the burn ban. The motion was given a second by Commissioner Thompson. Motion passed.

Foley Equipment

The commission discussed the bids that were submitted last week by Martin Tractor and Foley Equipment for a new motor grader. After review and discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Thompson to purchase the Cat 140-15J motor grader from Foley using Special Machinery and lease purchase funding. The motion was given a second from Commissioner Matchett. Motion passed.

April 22nd Commission Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Thompson to approve the April 22nd, 2024 commissioner minutes with a second from Commissioner Matchett. Motion passed.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned until 5/6/2024. The commission minutes are not considered to be official until signed and approved by the commission and will remain a working document until approved.

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