



Atchison County Commission Meeting

Atchison County Courthouse
423 North 5th St
Atchison, Kansas 66002
[September 13, 2016]
AGENDA

Commissioner Jeff Schuele, 1st District

Commissioner Eric Noll, 2nd District

Chairman Henry W. Pohl, 3rd District

1. Call To Order

The County Commission is called to order by the Chairman

2. Presentation And Approval Of Claims

3. Pledge Of Allegiance

4. Reading And Approval Of Minutes

Approval of Minutes from Last commission meeting

4.1. Commission Minutes, September 6, 2016

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Documents:

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5. Commissioner Comments And Committee Reports

6. Reports Of Elected Officials And Department Heads

7. New Business Before The Board

8. Old Or Unfinished Business Before The Board

9. County Counselor Updates

10. Public Comment

11. Executive Sessions (Time Reserved For Executive Sessions)

11.1. AT&T Billing Credit

executive session on an attorney client privilege with County Counselor Pat Henderson and Wes Lanter, IT Director

12. Presentation Of Petitions, Memorials, And Remonstrance's

**12.1. Proclamation- Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
Proclamation**

Documents:

[PROCLAMATION CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS.PDF](#)

13. Introduction And Consideration Of Resolutions

14. Notices And Communications

15. Adjournment

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Pursuant to the law the board met in Regular session at 1:00 pm on the 1st floor of the courthouse with Chairman Bill Pohl calling the meeting to order with Commissioners Eric Noll and Jeff Schuele present along with Pat Henderson, County Counselor, and County Clerk Pauline M Lee recorded the minutes.

Board recited the pledge of Allegiance before the start of the meeting.

Board reviewed minutes of August 30, 2016, Commissioner Schuele made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Commissioner Noll second with Chairman Pohl calling for a vote, Commissioner Noll and Schuele voted aye, motion carried 2-0, Chairman Pohl abstained from voting since he was not present at the meeting.

Greg Gehring, Walnut Township Trustee appeared and asked the board if county was going to mow roads, Johnson Grass is getting bad along the roads, Chairman Pohl said that he thought they had a tractor in for repairs, Commissioner Schuele said that Seth's summer help has already left because of school, Board said that they would pass the word along to Seth Howard, Road and Bridge Superintendent.

Melissa Crane, County Appraiser appeared to give the board a monthly update of her office, she told the board that she attended the CIC user group meeting in Wichita in August, on thing that she thought she would look into was retention program on personal property, there are two counties doing it, would like to see how it works, might be something she would be interested in. Also she heard about mobile Orion, she has talked with some smaller counties but wants to check with some bigger counties to see what it is about. Michelle Phillips, Personal Property is doing discovery and cross training Amanda Dishong to do personal property and also Michelle would like to attend as many classes as possible for the county clerk position.

They have been busy with validating sales, have 22 splits that Roger Denton, GIS is working on, they had a big Ag GIS project that he just completed so hopefully splits will be done soon. Melissa sent out income and expense questionnaires to restaurants last week, will be doing more questionnaires to other businesses.

She gave the commissioners the 2016 Compliance review for her office out of 100 points they received 90.

They have a BOTA on KFC/Taco Bell building, which at the present time appeal has been postponed and not rescheduled.

Commissioner Eric Noll talked to the board about appointing Kristy Callahan, Atchison County Health Department to the NEKES Board to take Connie Zeit's' place, Commissioner Noll made the motion to appoint Kristy Callahan to the NEKES board to replace Connie Zeit, Commissioner Schuele second and Chairman Pohl called for a vote, all voted aye, motion carried, 3-0.

Board approved invoice from Patsy Porter, CPA for preparation of the 2017 county budget in the amount of \$2500.00.

Commissioner Schuele made a motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes and to come out at 2:25 pm on an attorney client privilege and to have County Counselor Pat Henderson present in the

session, Commissioner Noll second with Chairman Pohl calling for a vote, all voted aye, motion carried.3-0.

Commissioner Noll made a motion to come out of executive session at 2:20 pm into open meeting with no action taken, Commissioner Schuele second and Chairman Pohl called for a vote, all voted aye, motion carried, 3-0.

Roger Edgar with George K Baum & Company appeared to discuss the refinancing of the Sales Tax Revenue Bonds used to finance the sports complex. Mr. Edgar told the board that interest rates are near generational lows and he has discussed this with Capital One and they have agreed to refinance the existing bonds at a lower interest rate, from the 3.60% to 2.60%, Mr. Edgar also talked with Exchange National Bank and learned that the county has approximately \$83,000 in surplus sales tax collections which can be used to pay off a portion of the outstanding bonds in advance.

Benefits to refinancing would be:

1. Lower interest rate from 3.60% to 2.60%
2. Net savings of approx. \$167,000 due to lower interest rate
3. Additional savings of approx. \$107,000 due to use of surplus cash to reduce loan
4. Total reduction in interest cost of \$274,746 due to refinancing

Monthly bond payments would remain unchanged, cost to refinance would be \$40,000

Question came up about using sales tax money for maintenance on the sports complex, Mr. Edgar said he would has the bond holders if they would be in agreement for that use. Commissioner Noll said he would be in agreement about refinancing and Commissioner Schuele said it would be great to be able to benefit with a lower interest rate, County Counselor Pat Henderson will look over the Placement agent engagement agreement before the next commission meeting.

County Counselor updates, Pat Henderson said he did not have any updates, but did tell the board that a tax sale could be possible by end of year.

Bills were approved for the week of September 6th.

Board would like a reminder sent out to department heads concerning making appointments to see commissioners and deadline to be placed on agenda is on Fridays at 3:00 pm unless there is an emergency that comes up after Friday. County Clerk Pauline Lee will email out to all departments about the reminder.

Commissioner Schuele made a motion to adjourn at 3:20 pm with Commissioner Noll second and Chairman Pohl calling for a vote, all voted aye, motion carried. 3-0.

Attest: Pauline M Lee, County Clerk

PROCLAMATION

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, children are our greatest treasures, and their health and well-being is a priority; among the most distressing health concerns today is the high incidence of childhood cancer, which claims too many precious and promising young lives; and

WHEREAS, Childhood cancer spares no one, affecting kids from every background; and

WHEREAS, Cancer kills more children than asthma, diabetes, cystic fibrosis, and pediatric AIDS combined; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that 10,000 children are diagnosed with cancer every year; although rare, pediatric cancer is the leading disease related cause of death among children.

WHEREAS, the causes of childhood cancer are largely unknown, research has led to more successful forms of treatment and improvements in the quality of life for children coping with cancer and its side effects; and a larger number of long-term survivors now look forward to longer life expectancies, but unfortunately, many still face challenges or complications due to cancer; and

WHEREAS, the toll that cancer takes on a child and family is unimaginable, and usually causes delayed development in a young patient's life, education and growth, while parents cope with high costs, stress and other difficulties associated with caring for their ill child and entire family, often having to travel or relocate to obtain appropriate treatment; and

WHEREAS, throughout this month, we take the opportunity to thank the many dedicated healthcare professionals, organizations and parent advocacy groups that support childhood cancer patients and families by offering advice, encouragement, hope, and financial assistance, and that work tirelessly to lift the spirits of children suffering from cancer;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Atchison County Commissioners, Atchison, Kansas, do hereby proclaim September 2016 as

CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Given under our hand and the Official Seal of the County of Atchison in the State of Kansas, this 13th day of September in the year 2016.

Henry W. Pohl, Chairman

Eric Noll, Member

Jeffrey Schuele, Member

Attest: _____
Pauline M Lee, County Clerk

