

January 4, 2010

The Edwards County Board of Commissioners met with Mica Schnoebelen, Kenneth Dupree and LaVerne Wetzel present. Gina Schuette, County Clerk, was also in attendance.

Chairman Schnoebelen called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Mr. Dupree moved to approve the December 21, 2009 minutes as presented. Mr. Wetzel seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

At 9:05 AM, Mr. Wetzel requested a 15 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. Mr. Dupree seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

The Board resumed at 9:20 AM with no action being taken.

Vouchers were approved and warrants were signed for the following:

County General	\$45,202.42
Road & Bridge	\$17,606.74
Noxious Weed	\$12,092.23
Employee Benefits	\$7,522.98
County Health	\$5,975.84
Hospital Maintenance	\$4,149.57
Economic Development	\$1,588.23
BIO / EPR Grant	\$96.88
Motor Vehicle Special	\$102.30
Total Voucher & Warrants:	\$94,337.19

Mr. Wetzel moved to adopt Resolution No. 2010-01 to designate the depositories for the year 2010. Mr. Dupree seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-01

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 9-1401 requires the governing body of any municipal corporation to designate by official action recorded upon its minutes the state and national banks, and which shall serve as depositories, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1675 to 12-1678a, inclusive of its invested funds.

AND WHEREAS, The Edwards County Treasurer, acting as investment officer and having custody of such funds, shall not deposit funds in any other facility other than those designated below.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the following entities are designated as depositories of monies of Edwards County Kansas for the year 2010:

Farmers Bank and Trust, Kinsley, Kansas
Offerle National Bank, Branch GNB, Offerle, Kansas

The Hanston State Bank, Lewis, Kansas
Kansas State Treasurer's Office, Topeka, Kansas
The Bank of the West, Kinsley, Kansas

Adopted this 4th day of January, 2010 by the Board of Edwards County Commissioners.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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S:/Kenneth Dupree, Member
S:/LaVerne Wetzel, Member

ATTEST:S:/Gina L. Schuette, Edwards County Clerk

Mr. Wetzel moved to adopt GAAP Waiver Resolution No. 2010-02. Mr. Dupree seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-02

WHEREAS Edwards County, Kansas, has determined that the financial statements and financial reports for the year ended 2010 to be prepared in conformity with the requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120a(a) are not relevant to the requirements of the cash basis and budget laws of this state and are of no significant value to the Board of Commissioners of Edwards County, Kansas, or the members of the general public of Edwards County, Kansas, and

WHEREAS there are no revenue bond resolutions or other resolutions of the County which require financial statements and financial reports to be prepared in conformity with K.S.A. 75-1120a(a) for the year ended 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Edwards County, Kansas, in regular meeting duly assembled this 4th day January, 2010 that the Board of Commissioners of Edwards County, Kansas, waives the requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120a(a) as they apply to Edwards County, Kansas, for the year ended 2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Edwards County, Kansas, shall cause financial statements and financial reports of Edwards County, Kansas, to be prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements as adjusted to show compliance with the cash basis and budget laws of this State.

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The Board reviewed and approved the micro-loan semi-annual reports from the Edwards County Economic Development, Inc.

Richard Neilson, County Works Director, joined the meeting.

Mr. Neilson gave a work in progress report and a discussion followed regarding the ongoing problem of heavy equipment and trucks usage of county bridges that are in violation of the bridge weight limits.

A discussion followed regarding the \$408.00 penalty imposed by the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) for violations discovered during the 2009 inspection of the sand pit. Mr. Neilson advised that they

have made the requested changes.

Mr. Neilson gave a brief zoning update and reported that there will most likely be increased activity regarding windmills. The Board requested Mr. Neilson to contact County Attorney Mark Frame to find out what action should be taken by the Board regarding windmill activity in the county.

A discussion followed regarding proposed updates to the courthouse and courthouse grounds. The Board requested Mr. Neilson to obtain estimates to re-tin the courthouse shop building as it is deteriorating. Mr. Neilson advised that as soon as the weather warms up, the road department will repair the broken steps on the south side of the courthouse. There was also discussion about the outdoor lighting.

Mr. Neilson left the meeting.

Linette Miller, Economic Development Director, Connie Oliphant, Bob Davies, Ron Gruber and Jan Kuckleman, board members of the Edwards County Economic Development Corporation (ECEDC), joined the meeting.

Ms. Miller presented a 2010 preliminary budget along with another health insurance option. A discussion followed regarding the county's policy on health insurance reimbursements for employees that choose to obtain health insurance coverage elsewhere. Mr. Schnoebelen stated that the county does not allow health insurance reimbursements. An employee either accepts the health insurance benefits that are offered or not, there are no reimbursements offered for not taking the county's health insurance.

A discussion followed as the economic development board is searching for ways to cut costs and the health insurance is one area that they are looking at. Ms. Miller advised that they do have enough funding to operate in 2010, but they were looking for ways to cut costs in the future.

One of the proposals discussed was that the county continue to contribute \$40,000 to economic development, however, the economic development director position would go back to being an employee of the ECEDC and not a county position. Further discussion followed and the ECEDC board members decided to continue with the economic development director being a county position and continue with the county's health insurance benefits.

The Economic Development group left the meeting.

Diana Rice, Health Department Administrator, joined the meeting.

Ms. Rice presented a summary report of the number of doses by age group of the H1N1 vaccinations that the health department has available to distribute. To date the report reflected approximately 400 doses left and Ms. Rice added that the H1N1 vaccinations are free. Ms. Rice advised that the health department may extend their hours a few nights a week to accommodate those wanting to come in after work. Ms. Rice added that they are currently out of the seasonal flu shots.

Ms. Rice extended an invitation to the Board and other county employees to schedule appointments to receive the H1N1 vaccinations.

Ms. Rice left the meeting.

At 10:40 AM, Mr. Dupree requested a 30 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. Mr. Wetzel seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

The Board resumed at 11:20 AM with no action being taken.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 AM.

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