**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

October 20, 2008

The Board of County Commissioners, two members, County Clerk and County Coordinator were present, and met in regular session at 3:00 p.m.  Commissioner Lambert was absent.

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Varner.

**INVOCATION:** Commissioner Varner.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Varner.

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**MINUTES:**

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Fitzmorris to approve the minutes of October 13th and this week’s agenda.  Commissioner Varner seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

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**COURTHOUSE GENERATOR STATUS:**

Nick Lewis, Maintenance Supervisor, inquired regarding the status of a generator for the Courthouse.  The Commissioners decided due to the year-end budget projections that monies may not be available to purchase a generator at this time.

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**ROAD AND BRIDGE REPORT:**

Tom Smith, Road and Bridge Supervisor, presented a road crossing for Layne Energy to bore in Neodesha Township, which was approved by consensus.  He also discussed a letter from KDOT informing them of the 20% match for Bridge Project #4171.  The Commissioners presented Tom a letter from Jim & Gyda Bauman complimenting the Road & Bridge Dept. for road repair work done on 700 Rd.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 3:50 p.m. Commissioner Fitzmorris made a motion to recess to executive session for 10 minutes to discuss matters of non-elected personnel with Tom Smith & Kris Marple present.  Commissioner Varner seconded the motion, and the motion carried.  The regular meeting resumed at 4:00 p.m. with no action taken.

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**SHERIFF’S REPORT:**

Dan Bath, Sheriff, discussed with the Commissioners his departmental budget projections for the remaining of FY08.  He stated that out-of-county inmate reimbursements were current to date, and that approx. $104,000.00 was expected to be received by the end of December.  He projected expenses of $90,000-$95,000 were expected, excluding payroll, through December.  As of October 14th the Sheriff’s budget had a remaining budget balance of $100,788.00, therefore, the budget will be over approx. $80,000-$100,000 depending on payroll & overtime.  He also discussed unexpected expenses, and asked for clarification of the 2007 audit of the Sheriff’s budget.

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**COUNTY CLERK’S REPORT:**

Rhonda Willard, County Clerk, reported to the Commissioners that an estimated 10% of registered voters either had already voted by advanced ballot or had made application for an advanced ballot.

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**COORDINATOR:**

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, requested a credit card limit increase of $500.00 due to paying the long distance telephone bills via credit card.

                **ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Fitzmorris to authorize a credit limit increase of $500.00 to the County Coordinator’s credit card.  The total credit limit would increase from $1,000.00 to $1,500.00.  Commissioner Varner seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

He presented a corporation warranty deed from Wilson County to Neodesha Plastics, Inc. due to Neodesha Plastics paying off their Industrial Revenue Bond issued in 1997.

                **ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Fitzmorris to approve the deed by the chairman’s signature.  Commissioner Varner seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

He reported on behalf of the County Attorney that $26,190.00 plus court costs have been redeemed thus far from the tax sale proceedings, and the properties redeemed have paid through tax year 2007.

He discussed with the Commissioners the budget projections for the remainder of FY08.  The Commissioners advised that they will review the projections each month as updated.

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**OTHER BUSINESS:**

1.        Reports received: Jail log.

2.        Approved payroll in the amount of $74,067.08 and warrants in the amount of $119,275.27.

3.        Robert Eaton discussed roads with the Commissioners.

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**ADJOURNMENT**:

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. to reconvene Monday, October 27th @ 3:00 p.m**.**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS**

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**ROY VARNER-**Chairman

**ATTEST:**

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**COUNTY CLERK**