

CLEVELAND COUNTY BUDGET BOARD

MINUTES

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2017

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Cleveland County Budget Board was called to order at 10:30 a.m. this 10th day of October 2017 in the Conference Room at 122 E. Eufaula, by Chairman Darry Stacy. Tammy Belinson, County Clerk/Secretary, called roll and those present were:

Darry Stacy, Chairman
Jim Reynolds, Vice-Chairman
Tammy Belinson, Secretary
Rod Cleveland, Member
Harold Haralson, Member
Rhett Burnett, Member
Douglas Warr, Member
Marilyn Williams, Member

Others present were: Assistant District Attorney Heather Darby, Linda Atkins, Melinda Duke, Christi Morren, John Roberts, Jacob McHughes, Sarita Scott, James Dempster and Billijo Ragland.

After the reading of the minutes of the Regular meeting of **September 11, 2017** and there being no additions or corrections, Harold Haralson moved that the minutes be approved. Douglas Warr seconded the motion.

The vote was: Darry Stacy, yes; Jim Reynolds, yes; Tammy Belinson, yes; Rod Cleveland, yes; Harold Haralson, yes; Rhett Burnett, abstain; Douglas Warr, yes; Marilyn Williams, yes. Motion carried.

A. Items of Business:

1. Sarita Scott updated on the **HR Department** by saying that a few applications are coming in for various jobs that are posted.
2. Purchasing Agent Melinda Duke said that this Thursday, October 12, 2017, the **Purchasing Department** will be out of the office from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to attend the OKAPP Meeting.
Ms. Duke said that after attending a purchasing class last week, they learned to encumber all travel expenditures before the county people take a trip or attend classes. This is pending verification and will send a memo to everyone if that is the case.
3. A presentation on **MedEncentive** was given by James L. Dempster. He said that the county moving toward being self-insured comes with a number of challenges and he is here to show the Budget Board how to manage those challenges. He said that it is not about just controlling cost it is about better healthcare, lower cost and provider and patient satisfaction.

He said employers that promote health literacy will control cost. He added that October is National Health Literacy Month and Oklahoma is one in sixteen states that does have a health literacy movement.

4. Chairman Stacy called for discussion, consideration, and/or action on the 2017 Ancillary CC Final elections as Tammy Belinson passed out handouts. She said the first one is a comparison of what the county has now to the benefits that the county is going to. She said that there are some significant savings on a few. Page No. 1 of the handout shows \$11,770.00 in savings and the premiums will lower from \$358,000.00 to \$329,000.00 grossing another \$20,000.00 in savings. Jim Reynolds moved, seconded by Tammy Belinson, to make the recommendation to the Board of Cleveland County Commissioners to **accept** package number four (No. 4) in making their final decision for the 2017 Ancillary CC Final elections. The vote was: Darry Stacy, yes; Jim Reynolds, yes; Tammy Belinson, yes; Rod Cleveland, yes; Harold Haralson, yes; Rhett Burnett, abstain; Douglas Warr, yes; Marilyn Williams, yes.
Motion carried.
5. Tammy Belinson presented a handout on the **Group Voluntary Life insurance Preservation of GI employee education**. Chairman Stacy said that this is information that they have already looked at. Tammy Belinson said that it is similar to Health Choice and the most one can take out caps at \$250,000.00.
6. The Board had a brief review of **Group Life Continuity of Coverage Broker Employer**.
7. Tammy Belinson reviewed the **Compensatory time balances** and employee timesheet procedures with the elected officials. She said that they will have to budget for comp time in the next budget cycle.

B. No new business was presented to the Board for discussion.

C. During Budget Board Members discussion, Assistant District Attorney Heather Darby said based on the presentations for employee clinic it is her understanding the county wants to continue to go with Dr. Yeaman next year until down the road to see if there are other options to consider. She is working with him to negotiate his contract for the calendar year 2018 with an option to renew for two more years after that certainly there is a cancellation clause in that if we decide that we want to do something else the county may do so. Once the final draft of the contract is complete she will submit it for the Board's review.

Chairman Stacy said that Dr. Yeaman is working on having a phlebotomist to draw blood for tests which will be a huge help and the other thing was the massage therapy that the employees can pay for at a greatly reduced price. He is opposed to the county paying for the massage therapy.

Commissioner Haralson said that the Budget Board needs to consider hiring an accountant.

Tammy Belinson said, "Actually, when Alison gets back we are going out for hiring one."

Jim Reynolds asked if all the budgets are in.

Tammy Belinson said that a few are missing but will schedule a special meeting of the Excise Board once they are turned in.

D. No comments from the public were made.

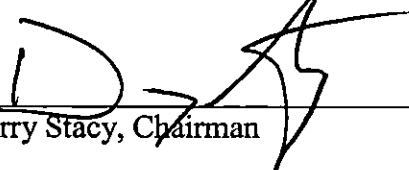
E. There being no further business to come before the Board, Rod Cleveland moved that the meeting be **adjourned** at approximately 11:33 A.M. Marilyn Williams seconded the motion.

The vote was: Darry Stacy, yes; Jim Reynolds, yes; Tammy Belinson, yes; Rod Cleveland, yes; Harold Haralson, yes; Rhett Burnett, abstain; Douglas Warr, yes; Marilyn Williams, yes.

Motion carried.

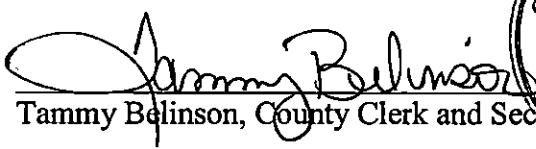
(Clerk's Note: Agenda was posted on October 6, 2017 @ 9:30 A.M.)

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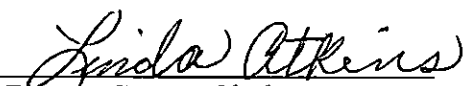
Darry Stacy, Chairman

ATTEST:



Tammy Belinson, County Clerk and Secretary to the Board



Minutes Prepared by: 

Deputy County Clerk

