

Beaver County, Oklahoma
County Commissioners Proceedings
May 19, 2008

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Office of the County Commissioners on May 19, 2008. Notice of the meeting was posted for public information on May 15, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. at all three entrances to the Beaver County Courthouse and www.beaver.okcounties.org.

The meeting was called to order by Raven. Those present were Brad Raven, Chairman, C. J. Rose, Member; Richard Cowan, Member; Karen Schell, County Clerk/Secretary, Reuben Parker, Jr., Sharon Raven, Mechille Calhoun, Dayla Pugh, and Alan Foster, Assistant District Attorney.

Motion was made by Rose and seconded by Cowan to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2008 meeting. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Rose to deposit the following checks in the Treasurers Office. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

Town of Forgan (Deputy reimbursement)-----Rec. #10539-----\$1,762.50
BASA Resources (Royalty)-----Rec. #10538-----\$108.87

Motion was made by Cowan and seconded by Raven to approve the Oil & Gas Maintenance Contract with Visual Lease Services for FY 2009 in the amount of \$49,500.00. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

Motion was made by Rose and seconded by Cowan to approve the allocation of alcoholic beverage tax in the amount of \$14,552.97. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

Raven said that after the officers met Thursday to work on the employee handbook Cowan requested that the issue of revising the overtime pay be on the Commissioners agenda. Motion was made by Raven to word the handbook as follows: Beaver County has adopted as its policy, practice and procedure, a method of compensating employees for overtime whereby employees are required to utilize compensatory time off in lieu of cash overtime payments. Compensatory time off will be granted to an employee at the rate of 1 ½ hours for each hour of overtime worked. Rose requested discussion from Parker. Parker said that he felt it needed to stay that way because there is no way with the budgets that he can pay overtime. Cowan told Parker that if he has an employee quit then he has to pay him sometime. If you give them comp time then there is no one to work. If someone quits and you have no one to fill in, you are working your employees and have to give them comp time. Cowan also said you have a budget to work under and the highway doesn't so we can do it without hurting anyone. Parker said you are hurting us, then our employees want it and we can't pay it. It isn't right for one unity out of the county to do something different. Cowan said if road and highway wants to do it then it shouldn't be a problem with what all we do for general government. Rose said I think Mechille was short an employee for awhile. Mechille said yes we were and I am not allowed to hire part time help. Cowan said if we can't replace the bridges then you have a safety issue. I want the D.A. to tell me I can't before we do anything. Rose said he talked to Dale Frech at ACCO and he said there is a safety issue working more than 40 hours a week. Parker said, so do you think you can hire more employees if you pay overtime? Cowan said, no I can't hire anyone. There isn't anyone to work. We have the money in the highway dept. and it's not a problem. We can do it outside of you people having a problem. Parker asked Cowan how much more they could get done with just one extra hour a day. Cowan said a bunch and that the elected official has the option to pay. Rose said the other elected officials in here don't have the option. Cowan said if they have someone quit they have their salary to pay it. All you will lose is the half time. Parker said we don't have the half time to pay in our budget. Cowan said we need to separate it in the handbook. We shouldn't be tied to the courthouse. Rose said you are tied to the employees not the courthouse and the Excise Board doesn't feel like we should set it in the handbook. Cowan said the Excise Board doesn't set it we do. Parker said if someone doesn't get paid for it we can get sued for it. Cowan said Federal law says we can do it and I want the D.A. to look at it. Rose said counties are exempt from that. Cowan said the D.A. says I'm elected and I can do it and I want him to look at it. When it comes down to me not having a full complement of people then I have to do something. Rose asked Schell if she had anything to say. Schell said she wanted to see it in the statutes where it says highway employees are not the same as general government employees. She said you are going to get a discrimination lawsuit filed against us. Parker put in a call to the A.D.A. and requested he come down to the meeting. When Foster came in Raven advised him of the discussion on revising the handbook. Foster said that the statue says you compensate by time off in lieu of payment. There are guidelines that have to be met before you can pay. Cowan said that he is running short handed and if he gives them comp time at the end of the year he won't have anyone to work. Cowan asked, I'm not allowed the option to pay time & a half? Foster said no, not until those other factors kick in. Cowan showed Foster the ACCO policy where it states the elected official has the sole discretion to decide to make cash overtime payments. Foster said that was not true. Parker said Cowan thinks the highway fund is different from the general fund where employees are concerned. Foster said no you cannot pay them out of any fund unless the criteria is met. Foster also said that he and Mike Boring wanted to review the handbook before it was completed to avoid anything that may get stated wrong. Motion was seconded by Rose. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

Rose asked Foster if it was possible to start a longevity pay and pay it out of the highway funds. Foster said he would like for the Commissioners to draft their questions in writing concerning the longevity.

Parker said that Sam Engelman wants to work part time for the summer and he has one employee quitting. He said he has money in his part time help account to pay him. Raven said it was OK and Parker said he will start him on the first.

Motion was made by Rose and seconded by Cowan to pay the following claims. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

WAR#	ISSUED TO:	AMOUNT	REASON ISSUED:
11	NORTHWEST DIST. CO. ASSESSORS ASSOC.	\$20.00	REGISTRATION
12	AMERICAS BEST VALUE INN	\$73.00	ROOM & MEALS
36	PTCI	\$66.05	PHONE SERVICE
1944	PARKER JR., REUBEN A.	\$227.25	TRAVEL/OKLA CITY
1945	AUTO BATH	\$41.91	CARWASH
1946	PERRYTON CLEANERS & LAUNDRY	\$61.20	UNIFORM CLEANING
1947	BEAVER LUMBER COMPANY	\$111.77	SUPPLIES
1948	G & G ELECTRONICS INC.	\$184.00	RADIO BATTERIES
1949	PERRYTON EQUITY EXCHANGE INC.	\$2,264.01	FUEL
1950	THE LOCKSMITH	\$231.00	KEYS
1951	HERALD DEMOCRAT	\$40.00	ADVERTISING
1952	LAW ENFORCEMENT SYSTEMS	\$187.00	WARNING BOOKS
1953	PTCI	\$149.73	PHONE SERVICE
1954	TANDY LEATHER	\$172.95	4-H SUPPLIES
1955	SPECTRA ASSOCIATES INC.	\$53.60	SUPPLIES
1956	SOUTHERN OFFICE SUPPLY	\$135.00	SUPPLIES
1957	HERALD DEMOCRAT	\$270.00	SUPPLIES

WAR#	ISSUED TO:	AMOUNT	REASON ISSUED:
1958	HERALD DEMOCRAT	\$12.00	PUBLICATIONS
1959	SOUTHERN OFFICE SUPPLY	\$444.00	EQUIPMENT
1960	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP.	\$3,194.96	UTILITIES
1961	NTS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	\$2.30	PHONE SERVICE
1962	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP.	\$81.65	UTILITIES
1963	DELLA RUTH BARNETT	\$150.00	JANITORIAL SERVICE
1964	NEVA M. MILLS	\$60.00	MEAL PREPARATION
1965	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP.	\$136.13	UTILITIES
1966	WEST TEXAS GAS INC.	\$112.00	UTILITIES
1967	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP.	\$40.49	UTILITIES
1968	WEST TEXAS GAS INC.	\$53.72	UTILITIES
1969	MARY BROWN	\$150.00	JANITORIAL SERVICE
1970	G & G ELECTRONICS INC.	\$442.00	PAGER
1971	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP.	\$52.31	UTILITIES
1972	WEST TEXAS GAS INC.	\$39.45	UTILITIES
1973	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP.	\$43.87	UTILITIES
1974	WEST TEXAS GAS INC.	\$85.49	UTILITIES
1975	PERRYTON EQUITY EXCHANGE INC.	\$428.04	FUEL
1976	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP.	\$31.68	UTILITIES
1977	PERRYTON EQUITY EXCHANGE INC.	\$450.03	FUEL
1978	BEAVER POSTMASTER	\$42.00	BOX RENT #786
1979	PTCI	\$143.94	PHONE SERVICE
1980	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP.	\$23.61	UTILITIES
1981	A HOME ELEVATOR INC	\$3,900.00	CHAIR LIFT REPAIRS
1982	PUGHS OTASCO INC.	\$27.98	SUPPLIES
1983	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP.	\$155.97	UTILITIES
1984	SHAYE N. GREGORY	\$50.00	JANITORIAL SERVICE
1985	OKLA. STATE DEPT. OF HEALTH	\$1,485.72	SALARY
1986	PTCI	\$120.54	PHONE
1987	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP.	\$227.87	UTILITIES
1988	QUILL CORP.	\$166.92	OFFICE SUPPLIES
1989	BEAVER COUNTY SHELTERED W/S	\$30.00	MOWING
1990	TOWN OF BEAVER	\$65.00	UTILITIES
1991	HARPER CO. HEALTH DEPT.	\$41.25	REIMBURSEMENT
1707	POWERPLAN	\$164.60	REPAIRS/SUPPLIES
1708	BERNARD NINE	\$1,975.40	GRAVEL
1709	SHARON KEEL	\$1,955.20	GRAVEL
1710	JO ANN OVERTON	\$1,955.20	GRAVEL
1711	AIRGAS MID SOUTH INC.	\$28.30	WELDING SUPPLIES/LEASE
1712	KAR PRODUCTS	\$128.43	SUPPLIES
1713	RASH OIL COMPANY	\$16,434.10	FUEL
1714	WARREN CAT	\$690.51	REPAIRS/SUPPLIES
1715	CRAMARO TARPULIN SYSTEMS INC.	\$196.64	2-TARPS
1716	ELMER SMITH OIL COMPANY	\$25,917.06	CLEAR DIESEL
1717	HIGH PLAINS ENERGY LLC.	\$8,407.41	CLEAR DIESEL
1718	G. W. VAN KEPPEL COMPANY	\$169.20	REPAIRS
1719	DEVINES STATIONERY INC.	\$230.00	REPAIRS/COPY MACHINE
1720	CERTIFIED LABORATORIES	\$123.01	SUPPLIES
1721	SHEPS AUTO PARTS INC.	\$270.00	TOWELS
1722	HIGHWAY CONTRACTORS INC.	\$1,174.50	REPAIRS
1723	J & R SAND CO. INC.	\$210,564.73	MATERIALS/LABOR
1724	LOGAN COUNTY ASPHALT	\$412.50	PALMER MIX
1725	HIGHWAY CONTRACTORS INC.	\$1,103.45	HOT MIX COLD A
1726	QUILL CORP.	\$109.11	SUPPLIES
1727	LINCOLN INN	\$124.00	ROOM & MEALS
1728	HIGHWAY CONTRACTORS INC.	\$1,084.60	HOT MIX & COLD LAY
1729	MARKS SAFETYMARK LLC	\$150.00	MEETING
1730	BEAVER EXPRESS SERVICE	\$64.90	FREIGHT
1731	MARKS SAFETYMARK LLC	\$318.50	SUPPLIES
1732	PUGHS OTASCO INC.	\$24.99	SUPPLIES
1733	PERRYTON EQUITY EXCHANGE INC.	\$800.46	CARD FUEL
1734	JAMES LAW	\$765.70	GRAVEL
1735	HERMAN LAW	\$761.15	GRAVEL
1736	TWANDA MILLER	\$761.15	GRAVEL
1737	POWERPLAN	\$320.49	SUPPLIES
1738	PERRYTON EQUITY EXCHANGE INC.	\$10,679.92	FUEL
1739	PERRYTON EQUITY EXCHANGE INC.	\$26,877.76	FUEL
1740	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP.	\$333.61	UTILITIES
1741	DAYS INN-CLAREMORE	\$61.43	ROOM & MEALS
1742	COWAN, RICHARD L.	\$381.29	TRAVEL/CLAREMORE/OKC
1743	BOBBITT FAMILY LIVING TRUST	\$3,204.00	GRAVEL
1744	PERRYTON OFFICE SUPPLY	\$132.53	SUPPLIES
1745	BARTLETTS ACE HARDWARE	\$86.94	SUPPLIES
1746	POWERPLAN	\$1,295.25	PARTS
1747	NATS	\$872.74	PARTS
1748	AIRGAS MID SOUTH INC.	\$403.05	SUPPLIES
1749	FRONK OIL CO. INC.	\$404.80	OIL
1750	WARREN CAT	\$1,709.67	PARTS
1751	WELDON PARTS INC.	\$426.42	PARTS
1752	UNIFIRST CORPORATION	\$117.60	SUPPLIES
1753	MOTOR PARTS OF PERRYTON	\$2,833.13	PARTS
1754	B & J SUPPLY	\$210.90	SUPPLIES
1755	NEW IRON & METAL OF LIBERAL INC	\$31.10	MATERIALS

WAR#	ISSUED TO:	AMOUNT	REASON ISSUED:
1756	B & J SUPPLY	\$155.41	PARTS
1757	MOTOR PARTS OF PERRYTON	\$680.78	PARTS
1758	SCHAEFFER MFG. CO.	\$349.20	GREASE
1759	MARY BROWN	\$100.00	SERVICE
1760	GUYMON TIRE & AUTO	\$632.67	TIRES
1761	FRONK OIL CO. INC.	\$564.85	OIL
1762	GUYMON TIRE & AUTO	\$569.89	TIRES
1763	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP.	\$479.14	UTILITIES
1764	WEST TEXAS GAS INC.	\$660.09	UTILITIES
1765	WEST TEXAS GAS INC.	\$135.96	UTILITIES
4	JANKO, LINDA DENISE	\$251.33	TRAVEL
176	VISA	\$717.47	TRAVEL
177	PARKER JR., REUBEN A.	\$70.70	TRAVEL/GUYMON

There being no other business to come before the board at this time, the board adjourned, Voting; Raven, aye; Cowan, aye; and Rose, aye.

Brad Raven, Chairman

Attest:

C. J. Rose, Member

Karen Schell, County Clerk
Secretary, Board of County Commissioners

Richard Cowan, Member