Carroll County Commissioners Meeting Minutes June 17, 2009

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Albee, Commissioner Solomon

Public: Henry Spencer, Maureen Spencer, David Babson, Ashley Rigazzo **Meeting open for Public input at 8:15 am by Commissioner Sorensen**

- 1. David Babson: Co-op web page discussion concerning information on site, which site is not upgraded or informative. Commissioner Albee commented on the info listed on the State website for Co-op extension.
- 2. Commissioner Solomon: Concerning my column, send info from Co-op to me and I will put it in article. Column gets local news out to public concerning new meetings, upcoming events or things of interest to people in general. All town columnists should get information about what is going on and they can put it in their columns.
- 3. Ashley Rigazzo: Send to me, we can publish also. (Independent)
- 4. Babson: Gerry Menke requested information and Tina Savage sent the info to him on Co-op.
- 5. Commissioner Albee: Asked Gerry to come up with budget for re-doing old nursing home with offices, classrooms, etc.

Discussion of what uses and cost could be for old nursing home building and what is needed from Gerry

- 6. Henry Spencer: any movement on video arraignments?
- 7. Commissioner Albee: Have not had any. Must come back to table. Have asked Jason and John to find out if funds are still available. Transporting is an issue for security. Ultimately it will save money. Northern Court is set up for video arraignments.
- 8. Babson: This courthouse is not set up for it?
- 9. Robin Gordon: I will find out the answer to that question.
- 10. Maureen Spencer: Impound yard, looking at sites again? (making decision today) Truck? (Is back as of Monday. Vision Statement for nursing home? (not yet) Cornerstone? (signed agreement on Monday, planning board on Tuesday, May be done today.
- 11. Commissioner Sorensen: Getting meter for jail, have company coming to look at putting a roof over A/C unit. Insurance has been received for A/C damage.
- 12. Babson: Question on architect liability.
- 13. Commissioner Albee: Building Committee should have caught issue in design before build. We accepted design. Have to change design issues or put guarantee on it.
- 14. Babson: Hire architect to solve problems, they should have some responsibility. Laymen would not see those issues on a plan. What are you doing to tighten up issue for nursing home?
- 15. Commissioner Albee: Schematic/outline so far. Actual design is not done yet.

Discussion of design and issues that may arise. Also in new nursing home if building systems are designed improperly that is easier to follow through. Who decides if

outside wall is not right? Until actual plans are drawn up, cannot make changes. Next building committee meeting is on June 29th.

16. Commissioner Sorensen: Meeting in Moultonborough Monday, lots of suggestions. Good support, turnout was better than Wakefield.

General Session

Commissioner Albee made motion to accept public minutes of June 10, 2009 as written. Commissioner Solomon seconded the motion. Commissioners Albee, Sorensen, and Solomon in favor. So voted

Primex meetings, poor turnout at jail, nursing home 6am was ok. Very good at Administration Building. Union Rep. (Brian) supportive, will have meeting w/union and sign up before July 1st.

Discussion of health savings account card and how it can benefit. (Health savings comes out before taxes)

Explanation of Health savings account (FSA) Flexible spending account. Robin Reade, Commissioners Albee, Sorensen, and Solomon as well as Henry Spencer had input. This is for FTE and 32+ hr employees only. Not available to employees still on probation.

Discussion of FSA, employee awareness,

Commissioner Albee moved to include FSA option in Primex program with limit being discussed before implementation. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sorensen. Commissioners Sorensen, Solomon, and Albee in favor. So voted

- 1. Commissioner Solomon: Co-op meeting: Wendy will be contacting Will (farm) on work that needs to be done. Master Gardner issue will be brought up again.
- 2. Commissioner Albee: June 22nd, employee recognition garden party. Pushing delegates to make a decision. If not done by August 31st we will lose any opportunity to get civil engineering and site work done as well as opportunity to have 5% money. Delegation needs to get the voting done.
- 3. Commissioner Sorensen: Pushing for decision/vote at July 13th delegation meeting. Chairperson is being leery about what is being presented and if delegation knows enough about building to be able to vote on it. State has 50 days for alteration of terrain. Will also hold things up.
- 4. Commissioner Albee: Permitting and civil is not in budget this year. Delegation is aware of time constraints.

Will Dewitte, Farm

- 1. Truck is back and runs/looks good. Concern about ladder design, explanation. Has 18ft body-long- dump body goes very high.
- 2. Meeting with Wendy on Timber harvesting, maple sugaring. Suggest give person only 1 yr contract for sap. Scheduling that area for timber harvest. Plant more sugar maples and grow them specifically for production, find out minimum number of taps needed. Need one more year to see availability and plan.
- 3. Called Taylors (wood) will fill two loads when available.

- 4. Commissioner Sorensen: Money can also be used to buy hay.
- 5. Will: Sold all feed hay already. Very little mulch hay left. All sold out of barn.
- 6. Looked at 1 ton plow trucks. Used \$15-20k. Average of 50k miles. New = low \$30's.
- 7. Commissioner Albee: Suggest 1 ton dump.
- 8. Will: Visibility issue, do not need dump body on plow.

Discussion on plow truck, new VS. used. Warranty, use, maintenance, 2nd hand problems not needed. Goal for truck, negotiate. Ideal would be 1 ton, diesel, and plow, used for County business as well. Need plan on vehicle purchase for next year. Backhoe is depreciating as hours are put on it.

- 9. Commissioner Sorensen: If we have structure for hay wagon, can you work on it?
- 10. Will: White truck is almost useable.
- 11. Commissioner Albee: Looking at site today for impound yard and hopefully making final decision on placement.
- 12. Commissioner Sorensen: Need bigger lawnmower, look into it.
- 13. Commissioner Albee: Trim hedges around Administration building.

Jason Johnson, HOC

- 1. Current population is 55 in house, 4 weekenders, 2 electronic monitoring, 6 transfers, and 18 on pre-trial release for total of 88.
- 2. Total number admitted was 34 (9 repeaters) total released was 34. Repeater charges: 3 warrants, 2 violation of probation, 1 Protective custody, 1 resisting arrest, 1 admin transfer, 1 aggravated DWI. Farm has been taking out average of 3 inmates per day, 9 eligible.
- 3. Took 1 inmate in on administrative transfer from NH State prison. He is sentenced inmate and classified as minimum security.
- 4. Officer Phillips is in the classification class. Began Monday and schedule to finish today at 2pm.
- 5. Met with Will last Thursday to develop policies with farm. Currently have twelve policies drafted. Hope to have review next week. Also contacted NH State Prison and received a copy of the inmate evaluation form they use. Think this will work well with the new classification policies.
- 6. Contacted Primex and was able to make claim for A/C unit, check received for repairs. Seacoast Crane and Building was in yesterday to view back roof and provide estimate on putting roof over unit.
- 7. Held meeting in facility to discuss new health plan. No one showed up.

Commissioner Albee made motion to go into non-public session pursuant to RSA91A; 3 for personnel matters. Seconded by Commissioner Solomon. Commissioners Solomon, Sorensen, and Albee all agree. So voted.

Into non-public session at 9:15 am

Commissioner Albee made motion to close non-public session and go back into public session. Seconded by Commissioner Solomon. Commissioners Solomon, Sorensen, and Albee all agree. So voted.

Into Public Session at 9:40 am

Robin Reade, HR

- 1. 1 response from Lawyers so far (union). What info should they be prepared to bring. How do we want to structure this process? Have asked Primex for input, have not heard back yet.
- 2. Commissioner Sorensen: Need to inform other office that we may be looking at other options/alternatives on representation.
- 3. Commissioner Albee: Fee scheduling, mileage, hourly fee, phone fee, transportation fee, paralegal costs, etc.
- 4. Regarding Carroll County Coalition for Public Health. Handout on how Strafford County does it. Job description. Do not need office space, person would be County employee
- 5. Commissioner Sorensen: Who is managing this person? Who has the grant and who manages it? We will decide where they work if they are County employee.
- 6. Commissioner Albee: Set up meeting with Cauble to go over details and structure. FTE and PTE?
- 7. Robin: Look at possible conflicts and any direct competition with local VNA, etc. They have interviews planned for Monday.
- 8. Commissioner Sorensen: Person would be accountable to us. Put hold on hiring until things are discussed. They need to talk to us and we need to be in on interviews.
- 9. Commissioner Solomon: Look at Memorandum of agreement
- 10. Commissioner Albee: 2 other counties are doing this? Supposedly just to handle payroll.
- 11. Robin: Will commissioners allow employees to ride their horses on County property?
- 12. Commissioner Sorensen: Do not see a problem, check with farm and check on liability issue. Talk to Will and Wendy.

Discussion of land usage and taxes.

Missy Labbe, ECOMAINE

Recycling presentation on waste to energy, landfill/ash fill, recycle center.

All three are ISO 140001 certified for excellence. Processed 160,310 tons of trash in 07-08. Produced 80,000-85,000 mega watts of electricity (power for 15,000 homes). Sales of electricity generated 5.2 million dollars in revenue in '06.

Ecomaine

International Waste recipient, non-profit

No liability to you

Benefits of single sort recycling

SIMPLE

Separate all recyclables by machine.

Educational outreach in business/communities. Motivation

Exploring composting

Will do free spread sheet analysis for County.

Save 20% on overall trash cost.

No fee to become an associate member

Non contracted would be first to get turned away

Contract = guarantee of rate and acceptance, help put together RFB and cost analysis

Long term 20 year contract \$70.50 includes recycling (based on CPI) Short term 3 years @ 59.85 not including recycling.

State municipalities, contract law/obligation. Many different options All info and contracts are available by request. Also website has lots of info.

Discussion of type of container, hauling issue, cost and participation. Goals

Missy will do the analysis for the county.

Commissioner Albee made motion to adjourn meeting at 11:30am. Motion seconded by Commissioner Solomon. Commissioners Albee, Sorensen, and Solomon in favor. So voted

Meeting adjourned at 11:30am