

February 9, 2001      Friday 9:00am

The Bourbon County Commission met in open session in the Commission Room of the courthouse with all commissioners present. County Coordinator Jim Harris and County Clerk Joanne Long were also present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and corrected.

The commissioners asked Jim Harris what he had heard from Gary Cullor about the possibility of leasing additional land for the Transfer Station. Mr. Harris hadn't spoken to Mr. Cullor this week but would at the Commission's direction. The county is also considering the possibility of moving the transfer station altogether. Mr. Harris will speak to Mr. Cullor and see what he thinks about the lease and if he is interested in renewing it or expanding it at all.

Mr. Graham spoke to the board about filling a committee position on the Sixth Judicial District Advisory Board. Tobin Wright called earlier in the week and asked who would be replacing Fred Judy on the Board. Gary Houston will be Bourbon County's member to the Advisory Board. Tobin Wright was notified by phone of the appointment.

County Clerk, Joanne Long, asked the commission about the status of the revision of the county handbook. No decisions had been made because Gary Houston was looking it over. Terry Graham made a motion to enter into agreement with the Austin Peters Group to update the county handbook. Gary Houston seconded and all voted in favor.

Lee Davis, Noxious Weed Director, presented the commission with the Noxious Weed 2000 annual report. The Commissioners reviewed and signed the report.

Robert Query received a map from USD 235 of bus routes for clearing county roads in inclement weather. USD 234 already submitted its map at the request of the commission.

The commissioners received a copy of a letter from Dr. Herbert Grantham to the District Coroner. Dr. Grantham, Dr. Steven Weilert and Dr. Todd Wullschleger are deputy coroners for Bourbon County. According to the letter, all are resigning their duties effective April 1, 2001. As of April 1, 2001, Bourbon County will have no coroner of its own. The commissioners spoke with Sheriff Harold Coleman, who also received a copy of the letter, and asked him to find out what Crawford County does for coroner services. Sheriff Coleman will also call Joplin, Missouri, for information on their coroner services. A coroner is needed for all unattended deaths and for autopsies in Kansas.