

November 2, 2020

The Board of Brown County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Chairman Dwight A. Kruse, Keith Olsen, and Richard L. Lehmkuhl. Also present was Deputy County Clerk Dawn Boyles. County Attorney Kevin Hill was present for a portion of the meeting. Dwight Kruse opened the meeting at 8:10 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. Richard Lehmkuhl led the meeting with a prayer.

SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY

Wanda Davis, Services for the Elderly Director, requested permission to advertise for the Senior Citizens Activity Director position. The commission recommended to advertise the position for two weeks and review the applications on November 16, 2020.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Steve Markham, Appraiser, requested a five minute executive session. Motion by Keith Olsen for a five minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners, Deputy Clerk Dawn Boyles, and Steve Markham present to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel with executive session necessary to protect privacy interest. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried. Closed 8:23 a.m. Opened 8:28 a.m. No binding action taken.

ENERGY SPECIALIST PROFESSIONALS

Brad Rahe, Jeff Flathman, and Duke Snider discussed the revisions made to the contract for the upgrades to the Sheriff Department HVAC and lighting with a public letting for the HVAC repairs. Motion by Keith Olsen to accept the revisions to the contract with ESP. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

LANDFILL

Motion by Richard Lehmkuhl to move Heather Merrill from part time to full time at a rate of \$14.75 per hour. Merrill’s hours will be split between the Landfill and Noxious Weed departments. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

HIAWATHA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Alison Kerl, HCH, gave an update on the various activities at Hiawatha Community Hospital.

MINUTES

Motion by Keith Olsen to approve the October 30, 2020, minutes. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2020-18

Motion by Keith Olsen to approve Resolution 2020-18, appointing Robin Downard as the Brown County Health Officer with Dr. Lowell Searight as the consulting physician. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

NEK HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Kristina Romine, NEK Health Department, discussed the new equipment the health department has ordered. The new equipment has the capability of testing for COVID, Influenza A and B, and RSV.

Motion by Richard Lehmkuhl to adjourn. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday, November 9, 2020, to approve month end bills.

ATTEST:

APPROVED BY:

MELISSA GORMLEY, COUNTY CLERK

DWIGHT A. KRUSE, CHAIRMAN

KEITH OLSEN, MEMBER

RICHARD L. LEHMKUHL, MEMBER