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OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

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The Board of Brown County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Glen Leitch, Chairman, Warren Ploeger and Steve Roberts. Also present were County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn. Glen Leitch opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a ten-minute executive session on non-elected personnel, with the three Commissioners and Sheriff Lamar Shoemaker present. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Closed 8:05 a.m. Opened 8:15 a.m. No binding action was taken.

SHERIFF

Lamar Shoemaker, Sheriff, reported on recent burglaries and property damage. Also discussed were laptop computers and tribal inter-local agreements.

JUVENILE JUSTICE

Venice Sloan, JCAB Coordinator, presented letters involving grants and the core program for signatures.

KANZA

Bill Persinger, KANZA, discussed the Elks Building purchase and requested that Wanda Bryan be re-appointed to the KANZA Board. Motion by Steve Roberts to re-appoint Wanda Bryan to the KANZA Board for a 3-year term. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #03-12

Motion by Warren Ploeger to adopt Resolution #03-12, which states:

"A resolution of the governing body of Brown County, Kansas, determining the advisability of financing the acquisition, remodeling, improvement and equipping of the former Elks Lodge Building located in the City of Hiawatha, Kansas, for use as a mental health facility operated by the KANZA Mental Health and Guidance Center, Inc, by the execution and delivery of a lease purchase agreement."

Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried unanimously.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Courthouse will be closed on Veterans Day, November 11, 2003. The Transfer Station will be open that day.

ROAD FOREMEN

Road Foremen Herb Roland, Richard Geiger and Mel Werner were present to discuss patch material for the 2004 oiling season. Also discussed was possible pre-winter sealing, due to road damage by drought conditions.

SPECIAL BRIDGE TRANSFER

Funds left from the closing of the Special Bridge Department will be transferred into the Special Machinery Fund.

CD BID OPENING

Cheryl Lippold, Treasurer, was present for a bid opening on a \$200,000.00 92-day CD, currently held at Hiawatha National Bank. Bids were as follows: Hiawatha National Bank at 1.30%; Union State Bank at 1.21%; Silver Lake Bank at 1.15%; and Morrill & Janes Bank at 1.4%. Motion by Warren Ploeger to accept the Morrill & Janes Bank bid of 1.4%. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #03-11

Motion by Steve Roberts to accept Resolution #03-11, which is the Gap Waiver Resolution, allowing for the County's yearly audit to be reported on a cash basis. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to accept the 3-year contract for Lowenthal, Singleton and Webb as auditor for the 2003, 2004 and 2005 fund years. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion by Warren Ploeger to accept the November 3, 2003 minutes. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

2004 EMPLOYEE RAISES

Motion by Steve Roberts to give Brown County Employees a raise of approximately fifty cents per hour, with the current pay scale being rounded to the nearest nickel, due to employees keeping health insurance claims low which resulted in a zero increase in health insurance. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried, with the raise being effective with the first payroll in January 2004.

Motion to adjourn by Steve Roberts. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 11:39 a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday November 17, 2003.