

December 15, 2003

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. County Attorney Kevin Hill was present for a portion of the meeting. Glen Leitch opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

HIAWATHA TOWNSHIP

Landowner Bob Davis and Hiawatha Township Officers David Pfister and Mark Schmitz reported no objections to the vacating of a road in Hiawatha Township. Motion by Steve Roberts to proceed with the process to vacate approximately 1/8 mile of Linden Road, just south of 200th Street. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. A resolution will be passed at a future meeting.

SHERIFF

Lamar Shoemaker, Sheriff, discussed recent burglaries, drug cases and the redistricting of local fire districts.

NANCY PAWL RETIREMENT

A retirement reception for Register of Deeds Nancy Pawl will be held on Wednesday, December 17, 2003, in the Courthouse Second Floor Lobby, from 2-4 p.m.

DISTRICT COURT CLERK

Lela Smith, District Court Clerk, presented an outstanding purchase order to Navrat's for \$12,500.00, for two workstations, to be delivered and paid for in early 2004. The outstanding purchase order was approved and signed.

KANZA

Bill Persinger, KANZA Director, presented a purchase option paper for signatures. Persinger reported that the next step will be to select a general contractor, with work possibly starting at the end of January 2004.

MINUTES

Motion by Steve Roberts to accept the December 8, 2003 minutes. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. Ploeger reported that weight for the minimum load, priced at \$6 per ton, would be 360 lbs instead of the 300 lbs reported last week, due to computer software complications.

PAYROLL

The December 10, 2003 payroll was approved as follows:

General	\$38,344.85
Road & Bridge	8,826.11

Election	205.77
Appraiser	2,361.12
Noxious Weed	886.32
Case Management	1,070.35
JCAB	1,288.38
Diversion	252.00
JIAS	1,286.31
JISP	1,286.31
ACC	4,165.06
Services for Elderly	1,911.02
Solid Waste	1,780.40
Court Trustee	3,819.16
Employee Ben FICA	4,559.28
Employee Ben KPERS	1,486.71
TOTAL	\$73,529.15

TAX ORDERS

Tax orders #03-34 and #03-35 were approved and signed.

RDA MICROLOANS

RDA Board Members Marion Tubach, Dale White, Carl Slaugh and Virginia Dienstbier urged the approval of the Microloan grant application. Motion by Steve Roberts to approve applying for the Microloan grant. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. A public hearing concerning the Microloan program will be scheduled for a later date.

ROBINSON TOWNSHIP ROAD MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

Motion by Glen Leitch to approve the road maintenance agreement between Brown County and Robinson Township, in which Brown County will maintain Plum Tree Road between 190th and 200th Streets, while Robinson Township will maintain 180th Street between Timber and Willow Roads. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

NEK REGIONAL AIRPORT/HIAWATHA AIRPORT

Dean Tollefson, Hiawatha citizen, reported on efforts to enlarge the Hiawatha Airport and to stop the NEK Regional Airport.

BRUCE LARKIN

62nd District Representative Bruce Larkin presented a legislative update.

ITTS LEASE FINANCING

Sandy Carter, Deputy Register of Deeds, was present for the bid opening of the ITTS lease financing bids. The bids were as follows: Hiawatha National Bank at 3.96%; and Morrill & Janes Bank at 4.05%. Motion by Steve Roberts to accept the Hiawatha National Bank bid of 3.96%. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #03-14 & #03-15

County Attorney Kevin Hill consulted with the Commissioners on the RDA Strategic Plan. Motion by Steve Roberts to approve Resolution #03-14, which designates Brown County as a non-metropolitan business region & Resolution #03-15, which supports the RDA Strategic Plan and Regional Incentives. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Steve Roberts. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday December 22, 2003.