

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

June 30, 2020

The Board of Brown County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Chairman Dwight A. Kruse, Richard Lehmkuhl, and Keith Olsen. Also present was County Clerk Melissa Gormley. County Attorney Kevin Hill was present for a portion of the meeting. Dwight A. 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.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

The June 30, 2020, month-end claims were approved as follows:

001 General	\$104,186.31
103 Road & Bridge	124,326.86
123 Historical Society	4,375.00
125 Employee Benefit	81,493.74
127 Election	10,455.66
129 Extension	8,500.00
131 Mental Health	5,850.00
133 Developmental Services	2,254.33
141 Conservation	6,875.00
143 Appraiser	304.78
145 Ambulance	21,250.00
147 Noxious Weed	7,211.27
151 Alcohol	2,867.95
155 Diversion	725.61
160 911 SB50	3,698.78
165 ACC	4,020.74
166 CC123	1,113.76
167 JJCR	2,952.03
168 Reinvestment Grant	73.36
201 Services for Elderly	3,385.12
211 Solid Waste	91,938.16
909 Payroll	186.64
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$488,045.10</b>

PAYROLL

The July 1, 2020, payroll was approved as follows:

General	\$76,088.96
Road & Bridge	20,836.87
Election	1,785.77
Technology	546.56
Appraiser	6,063.71
Noxious Weed	2,552.38
ACC	7,009.06
JJA Core	6,795.70
Reinvestment Grant	1,802.90
Services for Elderly	2,730.00
Solid Waste	4,205.20
Special MVT	2,725.91
Employee Ben FICA	8,445.14
Employee Ben KPERS	10,079.02
State Unemploy/Work Comp	-341.37
Insurance	-3,729.58
TOTAL	\$147,596.23

MINUTES

Motion by Richard Lehmkuhl to approve the June 22, 2020, minutes. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

CEREAL MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE

The Commission received the Granted Advisory Recommendation from Powhattan Township for the Sac & Fox Truck Stop. The license for cereal malt beverages was signed.

COVID-19

The commission opened the floor to public comment. Kendra Heinen, stated that she is 100% no masks. One size fits all is not appropriate in Kansas. She is in favor of opening the schools and trying to keep life as normal as possible.

WILLDAN

Brent Ragsdale, Willdan, updated the commission on the current conditions of the heating and cooling at the jail. Recommendations are to upgrade the HVAC system and add additional features to the rooftop along with replacing lighting to current LED standards. Estimated cost of the project is \$970,000 - \$1,140,000.

COVID-19

Randy Garber, Kansas State Represenative, was available to answer questions about decisions being made at the state level. Commissioner Olsen asked if the county could override Governor Kelly’s decision. Garber stated that more information was forthcoming.

COVID-19

Brown County Attorney, Kevin Hill, was available by phone. In order for the commission to override the Governor’s Orders, the commission needs to consult with the county health official.

BROWN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Kristina Romine, was available to speak with the commission regarding the executive order from Governor Kelly. Romine stated that the order left it up to the counties. Hill again stated the commission needs to consult with the county health official and local medical providers before making a decision. Romine stated they would facilitate a meeting with medical staff from Horton and Hiawatha.

COVID-19

Motion by Keith Olsen to leave the county as is until Monday to give the commission time to research with local health officials. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

Randy Garber said it was unfortunate that the state government overstepped their boundaries but felt fortunate that the decision was left to local officials.

ROAD & BRIDGE

Julie Liberty, Road and Bridge Secretary, presented the final report for Streambank Revitalization on 290<sup>th</sup> Street. She also discussed other projects she has been working on.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Brown County Clerk, Melissa Gormley, requested a 5 minute executive session with the three commissioners, and Road and Bridge Secretary, Julie Liberty present to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Motion by Keith Olsen for a 5 minute executive session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners, Brown County Clerk, Melissa Gormley, and Road and Bridge Secretary Julie Liberty, present to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel with executive session necessary to protect privacy interests. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Closed 10:03 a.m. Opened 10:08 a.m. No binding action was taken.

COVID-19

Don Pounds, Emergency Manager, presented Resolution 2020-13, the SPARK proposal to distribute \$1,939,142 to Brown County to help address the health and economic challenges due to COVID-19. The deadline to spend the money is August 15, 2020.

RESOLUTION 2020-13

Motion by Keith Olsen to accept and sign Resolution 2020-13. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

BROWN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The commission appointed Don Pounds to be a Point of Contact for SPARK Taskforce. The commission will come up with some more names as an alternate. Pounds will work on getting a Taskforce together and return with names for the committee on Monday.

TREASURER

Brown County Treasurer, Cheryl Lippold, stated she would continue to run her office as she has been. There will continue to be a limit to the number of people in her office at one time, and she will continue to use the card system.

COVID-19

The commission spoke with Mary Oswald and asked her to stay on for another 30 days to continue to screen people at the door.

ROAD & BRIDGE

Commissioner Lehmkuhl stated he had received a call from USD #415 about oiling the parking lot. They needed the county to complete construction to a new parking lot. The commission recommends USD #415 to contact the City of Hiawatha.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Richard Lehmkuhl. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 11:03 a.m. The next regular meeting will be Monday, July 6, 2020.

ATTEST:

MELISSA L GORMLEY, COUNTY CLERK

APPROVED BY:

DWIGHT A. KRUSE, CHAIRMAN

KEITH OLSEN, MEMBER

RICHARD L. LEHMKUHL, MEMBER