

January 11, 2021

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 Brown County Clerk, Melissa Gormley and Deputy Clerk, Dawn Boyles. County Attorney Kevin Hill was present for a portion of the meeting via Zoom. Dwight Kruse opened the meeting at 8:10 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. Lehmkuhl led the meeting with a prayer.

MINUTES

Motion by Keith Olsen to approve the December 31, 2020, minutes. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

Motion by Keith Olsen to adjourn for the re-organization of the Board of County Commissioners at 8:55 AM. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

OATH OF OFFICE

District Court Judge Jim Patton administered the oath of office to elected officials Commissioner William Pollock, Commissioner Lamar Shoemaker, County Clerk Dawn M. Boyles, County Attorney Kevin Hill, Register of Deeds Nellie Brockhoff and Sheriff John Merchant.

RE-ORGANIZATION OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The new Board of Brown County Commissioners, Richard Lehmkuhl, Lamar Shoemaker and William Pollock, convened for re-organization purposes. At this time newly appointed chairman Richard Lehmkuhl re-convened the meeting at 8:20.

RESOLUTION #21-02

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve Resolution #21-02, which appoints Richard L. Lehmkuhl as 2021 Brown County Commission Chairman. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #21-03

Motion by William Pollock to approve Resolution #21-03, which designates the following as the official 2021 Brown County Banks: for checking and investments—Citizens State Bank & Trust Company and Morrill & Janes State Bank-A division of Bank of Blue Valley. Seconded by Lamar Shoemaker. Motion carried.

NEK MULTI COUNTY HEALTH BOARD

Motion by William Pollock to reappointment of Jackie Wenger to the NEK Multi County Health Board. Seconded by Lamar Shoemaker. Motion carried.

NEKES APPOINTMENT

Motion by William Pollock to appoint Lamar Shoemaker to the NEKES Board of Directors to replace Dwight Kruse. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

NEWSPAPER BID OPENING

Bids for the 2020 official county newspaper were as follows: Horton Headlight with a bid of \$2.00 per column inch. Motion by William Pollock to accept Horton Headlight's bid of \$2.00 per column inch. Seconded by Lamar Shoemaker. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #21-04

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve Resolution #21-04, which designates the Horton Headlight as the 2021 legal Brown County newspaper, with the Hiawatha World to also publish many of the same legal publications. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #21-05

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve Resolution #21-05, approving the 2021 Brown County Personnel Policy effective January 1, 2021. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #21-06

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve Resolution #21-06, which adopts the GAAP Waiver policy for auditing purposes. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

TAX CHANGE ORDERS

Tax Change Orders 2020-30 through 2020-32 and 2020-25 and 2020-37 through 2020-41 were signed and approved.

NOXIOUS WEED

George Bruning, director, presented his annual plan for the commissioners to review and sign.

SOLID WASTE

George Bruning discussed the Hamm's contract and fees. Kevin Hill would like to look at the contracts and revisit the matter next week.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Kevin Hill, County Attorney, requested a five minute executive session. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker for a five minute executive session to discuss attorney client privilege. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried. Closed 8:59 a.m. Opened 9:04 a.m. No binding action taken.

KWORCC

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to pay the 2021 Annual KWORCC premium of \$40,979. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to pay the 2021 Annual KCAMP premium of \$128,083. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE

Melissa Gormley gave an update on the Road and Bridge department. Gormley will be sending out bids for approximately 500,000 gallons of Rapid Set Emulsion RS-1H and RS-1HP

KAC

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to pay the 2021 Annual membership to KAC of \$3,689.37. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

NOXIOUS WEED

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve the 2021 Annual Noxious Weed plan. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Don Pounds, Director, reported on the 100 freestanding hand sanitizer stations for the public. Pounds will advertise this week and it will be a first come first serve basis. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to allow Don Pounds to advertise and distribute the hand sanitizing stations. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Don Pounds, Director, discussed giving a GENCIE sprayers to each of the smaller towns within Brown County with the exception of Hiawatha and Horton as they currently have one. Commissioner Lehmkuhl suggested if we have any leftover sprayers to possibly look at giving them to the county nursing homes.

SPARKS

Motion by William Pollock to appoint Richard Lehmkuhl as a signor to the SPARKS checking account. Seconded by Lamar Shoemaker. Motion carried.

COURTHOUSE SECURITY

Commissioner William Pollock discussed the courthouse security measures. Commissioner Richard Lehmkuhl would like input from all aspects before taking any action.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Lehmkuhl requested a five minute executive session. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker for a five minute executive session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel with executive session necessary to protect privacy interests. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried. Closed 9:51 a.m. Opened 9:56 a.m. No binding action taken.

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to adjourn. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

ATTEST:

DAWN M. BOYLES, COUNTY CLERK

APPROVED BY:

RICHARD L. LEHMKUHL, CHAIRMAN

LAMAR SHOEMAKER, MEMBER

WILLIAM POLLOCK, MEMBER