

March 8, 2021

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

MINUTES

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2021. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY

Wanda Davis, Services for the Elderly Director, discussed a recall on the Horton taxi van. Davis has set up an appointment with Armbruster in Falls City.

ROAD & BRIDGE

The Commissioners discussed the District 2 culvert replaced during the 2019 storms. Commissioner Shoemaker would like to submit the information we do have and determine if there is enough information for the damage to be covered under FEMA funds.

COURTHOUSE

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve the courts use of the Commission Room for the purpose of trial monitoring for public use. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

AMERICAN LEGION POST #66

Curt Weldon discussed the renovations of the American Legion building. Weldon updated the commission on a \$2,000 grant the American Legion was awarded. The American Legion will contribute \$2,000 and are asking the commission to pay for the remainder of the renovations. Commissioner Shoemaker would like copies of the bids and any other information the American Legion can provide.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Richard Lehmkuhl, requested a 10 minute executive session. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker for a 10 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners, and County Clerk, Dawn Boyles, present to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel with executive session necessary to protect privacy interests. Seconded by William Pollock. Closed 8:40 a.m. Opened 8:50 a.m. No binding action was taken.

KANZA

Brown County Clerk, Dawn Boyles, presented the Brown County Mental Health Contract for 2021, for approval and signatures. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve and sign the Brown County Mental Health Contract for 2021. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

TUBES AND BANDS

Tube bids for the three road districts were opened. Bids for the combined three districts were as follows: J & J Drainage Products Co. with a bid of \$55,147.95; Welborn Sales with a bid of \$61,378.75; and Metal Culverts with a bid of \$63,721.49; Road Foreman Rodney Allen was present for the bid opening. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to accept the bid from J & J Drainage Co. for \$55,147.95, contingent upon delivery time and if it is the same product we have had in the past. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

HIAWATHA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Sarah Kleopfer, Director, requested use of the courthouse lawn for April 3, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. for the annual Easter Egg Hunt. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to allow use of the courthouse and courthouse square for the annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 3, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

TAX CHANGE ORDERS

Tax Change Orders 2020-2 through 65 were signed and approved.

LIQUOR LICENSE

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve the liquor license for the Country Cabin. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Richard Lehmkuhl, requested a 5 minute executive session. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker for a 5 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners and County Clerk, Dawn Boyles, present to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel with executive session necessary to protect privacy interests. Seconded by William Pollock. Closed 9:42 a.m. Opened 9:47 a.m. No binding action was taken.

WIND ENERGY

Commissioner Pollock discussed the hiring of James Neeld for legal services pertaining to Wind Energy on behalf of the county. County Attorney, Kevin Hill, advised that it would be in the county's best interest to have an attorney specializing in Wind Energy on hand.

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to adjourn. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, March 15, 2021.

ATTEST:

APPROVED BY:

DAWN M. BOYLES, COUNTY CLERK

RICHARD L. LEHMKUHL, CHAIRMAN

LAMAR SHOEMAKER, MEMBER

WILLIAM POLLOCK, MEMBER