

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 M. Boyles. Lehmkuhl opened the meeting at 8:10 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. Pastor Cheryl Mishler led the meeting with a prayer.

PAYROLL

The April 7, 2021, payroll was approved as follows:

General	78,999.58
Road & Bridge	15,669.50
Technology	308.06
Appraiser	4,825.48
Noxious Weed	2,192.31
ACC	6,162.50
JJA Core	4,362.91
Reinvestment Grant	1,799.56
Services for Elderly	2,618.00
Solid Waste	5,751.89
Employee Ben FICA	8,076.62
Employee Ben KPERs	10,118.25
State Unemploy/Work Comp	-73.88
Insurance	-3,380.99
TOTAL	\$137,429.79

MINUTES

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve the minutes of April 5, 2021. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY

Wanda Davis, Services for the Elderly Director, informed the commission she had reinstated Mary Oswald as a part time relief taxi driver in Horton.

ENERGY SOLUTIONS PROFESSIONALS LLC

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve the final payment to ESP, LLC for \$201,810.40. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

CUSTODIAN

Dave Schuetz, Head Custodian, discussed the purchase of a new lawnmower. The commission would like Schuetz to get bids on another mower that would double as a snow plow. Commissioner Pollock would like Schuetz to get a bid from Full Throttle Repair in Everest. Commissioner Lehmkuhl suggested advertising for bids. Schuetz will give the county clerk the specifications for the advertisement.

ELEVATOR

Commissioner Lehmkuhl would like each of the companies bidding on the elevator updates to come in and discuss each of their bids. Clerk, Dawn Boyles, will contact each of the companies.

PROPERTY USE AGREEMENT

Motion by William Pollock to approve a property use agreement from Jenna Zeorian for Saturday, May 1, 2021, for her wedding. Seconded by Lamar Shoemaker. Motion carried.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Alison Kerl and Mark Nenadov, Hiawatha Community Hospital, NEK Are Agency on Aging Director, Karen Wilson, and Services for the Elderly Director, Wanda Davis, were present to discuss the Meals on Wheels program. Commissioner Lehmkuhl suggested going over the budgets to determine where the county may be able to help with the cost. Commissioner Pollock suggested they take into account that when delivering these meals it is also checking on the elderly. Kerl would like to return with a formal proposal closer to the budget time.

EMERGENCY VEHICLE PERMIT

Motion by William Pollock to approve an emergency vehicle permit for Lane Rodvelt. Seconded by Lamar Shoemaker. Motion carried.

APPRAISER

Brown County Appraiser, Steve Markham, discussed the purchase of a new vehicle for the Appraiser's office. Markham will return with the quotes.

MATALONE INSURANCE

John Matalone, Matalone Insurance, introduced himself to the new commissioners and discussed his role as the insurance broker for Brown County. Brown County Clerk, Dawn Boyles, presented the GAP Claims Report for the commissioners to review. Commissioner Pollock would like to know if there are some things we can do as a county to promote healthy employees. Matalone discussed different options available to the county.

TREASURER

The treasurer's office will be limiting the amount of customers in the office and in driver's license. Additional customers will be asked to wait in the lobby on second floor.

KWORC

Brown County Clerk, Dawn Boyles, presented the Open Claims Report for the commissioners to review.

ROAD & BRIDGE

Tami Lehmkuhl, Road and Bridge secretary, presented the 2021 and 2022 Routine Bridge Inspection Agreement with BG Consultants for the commission's approval. County Clerk, Dawn Boyles, will e-mail the agreement to the county attorney for his review.

ROAD & BRIDGE

Tami Lehmkuhl, Road and Bridge secretary, presented the end of month reports for the commission's review. Lehmkuhl also discussed a road that was damaged on 280th between Hazelnut Road and Horned Owl Road. The District 3 Foreman would like to bill the company who is responsible for the damage. Commissioner Pollock will visit with the company.

APPRAISER

Brown County Appraiser, Steve Markham, presented the quotes for a new vehicle for the Appraiser's department. The quotes were as follows: Ellis Boys in Holton for a 2020 Jeep Grand Cherokee for \$39,987; Hiawatha Ford in Hiawatha for a 2020 Ford Explorer for \$37,800; Hullman's in Falls City for a 2021 Ford Explorer for \$40,195. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to purchase the 2020 Jeep Grand Cherokee for \$39,987 from Ellis Boys in Holton subject to taxes and fees and to be paid out of the Appraiser Capital Improvement fund. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

TAX CHANGE ORDERS

Tax Change Orders 2020-66 through 78 and 82 through 85 were signed and approved.

HIAWATHA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Brown County Clerk, Dawn Boyles, presented a thank you card from the Hiawatha Chamber of Commerce thanking the commission to allow the chamber use of courthouse square for the 2021 Easter Egg Hunt.

COUNTY CLERK

Brown County Clerk, Dawn Boyles, discussed the new desks installed in the Clerk's office. Boyles discussed additional electrical work that had to be done.

WIND ENERGY

Virgil Hallauer, Brown County Liberty Alliance, asked if the commission was still actively pursuing an attorney for the county in regards to wind energy.

ALLIED BUSINESS SOLUTIONS LLC

Brown County Clerk, Dawn Boyles, presented the previous month's telecommunications bills to the commission for their review. The commission has decided not to move forward with the Allied Business Solutions proposal.

SECOND AMENDMENT

Commission Pollock would like to see the county support on the second amendment. Commissioner Lehmkuhl will get the information to Brown County Attorney, Kevin Hill, to review.

WORK SESSION

The commission will have a work session on April 20th beginning at 8:30 a.m. to discuss the county wage structure.

Motion by William Pollock to adjourn. Seconded by Lamar Shoemaker. Motion carried. Meeting closed at 10:27 a.m. The next regular meeting will be Monday, April 19, 2021.

ATTEST:

APPROVED BY:

DAWN M. BOYLES, COUNTY CLERK

RICHARD L. LEHMKUHL, CHAIRMAN

LAMAR SHOEMAKER, MEMBER

WILLIAM POLLOCK, MEMBER