

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. Brown County Attorney, Kevin Hill, was present for a portion of the meeting. Richard Lehmkuhl opened the meeting at 8:10 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. Richard Lehmkuhl led the meeting with a prayer.

PAYROLL

The July 14, 2021, payroll was approved as follows:

General	79,809.73
Road & Bridge	20,310.33
Election	2,061.00
Technology	281.56
Appraiser	7,323.44
Noxious Weed	3,053.62
ACC	8,120.28
JJA Core	7,716.79
Services for Elderly	2,471.00
Solid Waste	5,812.87
Special MVT	4,321.01
Employee Ben FICA	8,957.10
Employee Ben KPERS	9,969.70
State Unemploy/Work Comp	-120.93
Insurance	-3,793.29
TOTAL	\$156,294.21

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Brown County Attorney, Kevin Hill requested a five minute executive session. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker for a 5 minute Executive Session on attorney client privilege with the three commissioners, Solid Waste Director, George Bruning, and County Attorney, Kevin Hill present to discuss legal matters with legal counsel, to protect the Boards privilege and communication with an attorney. Seconded by William Pollock. Closed 8:12 a.m. Opened 8:17 a.m. No binding action was taken.

LANDFILL

Hamm’s representatives, Charlie Sedlock and Dan Watkins, discussed the trailer fires at the landfill and the mitigation of preventing future fires. Sedlock and Watkins also discussed the cost associated with the fires and options to financially recover from the fires.

COMPUTER

Brown County IT Director, Sandy Carter, discussed the Sirius Solutions Contract for the IBM AS400 software and hardware support three year invoice totaling \$7,858.94. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve the three year contract with Sirius Solutions for the IBM AS400 software and hardware support. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve the July 12, 2021, minutes. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

NEK MULTI COUNTY HEALTH

Brown County Health Nurse, Robin Downard, updated the commission on the pandemic in Brown County. Downard reported there is currently four active cases in Brown County. Downard also reported Brown County has had one case of the Delta variant and the individual has recovered. Brown County has had three breakthrough cases of individuals who had received the vaccine and had contracted the virus after vaccine and the county is currently 40% vaccinated.

RESOLUTION 2021-14

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to accept Resolution 2021-14 adopting the order of the Finger and Zimmers fence viewing located in Section 27 Township 3 Range 16, on June 30, 2021. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2021-15

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker adopting Resolution 2021-15 Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

PROPERTY USE AGREEMENT

Leah McPeak, Black Lives Matter Book Club, requested use of the southeast side of the courthouse lawn for discussion of their book club selection on August 9, 2021, and September 13, 2021, for approximately one to two hours each. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to allow use of the southeast side of the courthouse lawn on August 9, 2021, and September 13, 2021, for approximately one to two hours each. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

KWORCC

Brown County Clerk, Dawn Boyles, presented the KWORCC open claims report for the commission’s review.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Lehmkuhl requested a five minute executive session. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker for a 5 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three commissioners, County Attorney, Kevin Hill, 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 8:17 a.m. Opened 8:23 a.m. No binding action was taken.

DISPATCH

Brown County Clerk, Dawn Boyles, presented a letter from Hiawatha City Administrator, Mike Nichols, in regards to the dispatch services. The Hiawatha City Commission would like clarification on what the County Commission hopes to achieve by visiting in regard to the dispatch services. Commissioner Pollock feels the City of Hiawatha should contribute to the cost of dispatch services. County Attorney, Kevin Hill, clarified the agreement between the City of Hiawatha and Brown County. Hill also stated Sheriff John Merchant needs to be involved.

WAGE SCALE REVISION

Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to make the revision on the wage scale to change Assistant Landfill Director to Operator VIII. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

CITY OF HORTON

Commissioner Lamar Shoemaker, discussed the Brown County Fair building roof repairs. The city is requesting Brown County contribute half of the cost of the repairs. The bid from Lanter Roofing Systems LLC is for \$17,100. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to allow up to \$8,500 to City of Horton for the repair of the Brown County Fair building. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

BG CONSULTANTS

Road and Bridge Secretary, Tami Lehmkuhl, presented the 2021 Fracture Critical and 2022 Routine Bridge Inspections Agreement from BG Consultants for the commission’s approval. Motion by Lamar Shoemaker to approve the 2021 Fracture Critical and 2022 Routine Bridge Inspections Agreement from BG Consultants. Seconded by William Pollock. Motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE

Road and Bridge Secretary, Tami Lehmkuhl, presented the bridges that are eligible for the KDOT Off-System Bridge Program. The commission would like Brady Hedstrom’s opinion on the bridge most in need of repairs to submit for the program.

BUDGETS

The commission discussed budgets and possibilities of where to reduce. Will revisit after County Clerk, Dawn Boyles, gets revised figures from the CPAs.

Motion by William Pollock to adjourn. Seconded by Lamar Shoemaker. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, July 26, 2021.

ATTEST:

APPROVED BY:

DAWN M. BOYLES, COUNTY CLERK

RICHARD L. LEHMKUHL, CHAIRMAN

LAMAR SHOEMAKER, MEMBER

WILLIAM POLLOCK, MEMBER