

November 14, 2016
The Board of Brown County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Chairman Warren Ploeger, Steve Roberts and Keith Olsen. Also present was County Clerk Melissa Gormley and Deputy County Clerk Dawn Boyles. County Attorney, Kevin Hill, was present for a portion of the meeting. Warren Ploeger opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

PAYROLL

The November 9, 2016 payroll was approved as follows:

General	\$62,702.20
Road & Bridge	11,568.04
Election	4,361.75
Technology	.00
Appraiser	6,740.01
Noxious Weed	2,134.28
Diversion	.00
ACC	6,176.25
JJA Core	6,543.83
ACE Fund	187.30
Services for Elderly	2,296.88
Solid Waste	2,344.10
Special MVT	2,600.01
Employee Ben FICA	6,931.28
Employee Ben KPERS	8,188.79
State Unemploy/Work Comp	-134.42
Insurance	-3,437.04
TOTAL	\$119,203.26

SHERIFF

Sheriff Merchant reported that there are 17 inmates, 12 males and 5 females in the County Jail.

ATTORNEY

Kevin Hill, County Attorney, discussed with the Commissioners an inquiry pertaining to a piece of land on the previous tax sale.

NOXIOUS WEED

Warren Ploeger, Commissioner, presented to the Commission for their approval a contract from KDOT in regards to the spraying of Highway Right of Way. Motion by Keith Olsen to approve the contact. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the November 7, 2016 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

APPRAISER

Jeff Ball, County Appraiser, discussed with Commissioners about the purchase price of 518 Oregon versus the county appraisal of the property. The purchaser will need to pay the taxes under protest. Ball informed the Commission at that time they will review the property to determine the new appraised value.

KANZA

Melissa Gormley, County Clerk, presented to the Commissioners the 2017 KANZA contract for their approval and signatures. There was no changes in the terms from 2016. Motion by Steve Roberts to approve the 2017 KANZA contract. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

TAX CHANGE ORDER

Tax change orders 2016-10 was signed and approved.

CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Matt Sprick, District Conservationist, Curtis Janssen, NRCS State Engineer, and Andrew Broxterman, NRCS Area Engineer, met with the Commissioners in regards to the project on the damage to 205th Road from the September 13th storm and the heavy erosion it caused to a stream bank located on 205th Road southeast of Robinson. Brown County qualifies for the Emergency Watershed Program to help fix about 350 to 400 feet of stream bank. It is a federally funded 75% / 25% program through USDA with the county being responsible for 25%. Motion by Steve Roberts for Warren Ploeger, Chairman, to sign a letter from Brown County to the NRCS. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Motion by Keith Olsen to accept the project. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

Motion by Keith Olsen to adjourn to the November 8, 2016 General Election canvass of ballots. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday November 21, 2016.

CANVASS OF BALLOTS

The Board of Brown County Commissioners met as provided by KSA 25-3101 as a Canvassing Board to canvass the returns from the November 8, 2016 General Election. The following members were present: Steve Roberts, Warren Ploeger and Keith Olsen. Also present were County Clerk/Election Officer Melissa Gormley, Deputy County Clerk Dawn Boyles and County Attorney, Kevin Hill. Warren Ploeger motioned to open the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to allow Deputy County Clerk Dawn Boyles to assist in canvassing the ballots. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

The November 8, 2016 General voting records were canvassed. There were 106 provisional ballots. Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the counting of 106 provisional ballots, with 41 provisional ballots not counted, all according to Kansas State Statutes. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

Election Officer Melissa Gormley reported a 67.02% voter turnout for Brown County, including the provisional ballots.

Motion by Keith Olsen to accept the November 8, 2016 Primary Election canvass. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

MELISSA GORMLEY, COUNTY CLERK

APPROVED BY:

WARREN L. PLOEGER, CHAIRMAN

STEVE ROBERTS, MEMBER

KEITH C. OLSEN, MEMBER