

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

October 15, 2012

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

SHERIFF

Sheriff John Merchant reported 27 inmates currently in the Brown County Jail. The Brown County Sheriff's office hosted a class on October 10th, presented by The Mental Health America of the Heartland. Attending were staff from KANZA Mental Health, the Sheriff's Department, the Hiawatha Police Department and the Jackson County Sheriff's office.

Merchant reported that in the early morning hours of October 14, the Sheriff's Office was temporarily off line due to a lightning strike to a nearby transformer.

SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY

Keith Olsen reported that the Horton Senior Citizens requested that the age requirement to ride the Senior Citizen Taxi be lowered to age 50, due to some veterans under age 60 who need transportation. The current age requirement is 60, with a spouse eligible if the other is 60. Warren Ploeger stated County Attorney should be contacted about the matter. Lori Gray, Services Elderly, was present for the meeting.

MINUTES

Motion by Keith Olsen to approve the October 8, 2012 minutes. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY

County Attorney Kevin Hill reviewed the bylaws of the Services for the Elderly, in regards to the age requirement for riding the taxi. Hill stated it would be a policy issue, with numerous changes to definitions of Senior Citizen.

The Commissioners decided to keep the policy requirement of age 60.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 10 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners, County Attorney Kevin Hill and Community Corrections Director Venice Sloan present. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Closed 8:42 a.m. Opened 8:52 a.m. No binding action was taken.

HFED

Don Nigus and Gene Hillyer, Hiawatha Foundation for Economic Development, presented the 3rd quarter HFED report.

GOLDFINCH ROAD PROJECT

Virginia Dienstbier, CDBG Grant Writer, presented the environmental review documents on the Goldfinch Road Project for the Commission Chairman signature.

Motion by Keith Olsen to adjourn. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. Closed 10:03 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday October 22, 2012.