

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

June 4, 2012

The Board of Brown County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Steve Roberts and Warren Ploeger. Also present were County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn. Steve Roberts opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

SHERIFF

Sheriff John Merchant reported 25 inmates currently in the Brown County Jail. Merchant discussed break-ins and thefts at abandoned rural buildings.

MINUTES

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the May 31, 2012 minutes. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

TAX CHANGE ORDERS

Tax change orders #2011-101 and #2011-102 were approved and signed.

TERRY ALLER

Terry Aller, Brown County resident, expressed his business concerns regarding the permanent closing of 200th Street between Kestrel and Jackrabbit Roads. Commissioner Ploeger stated it was in the best safety interest of the County to close the road.

OLD JAIL BUILDING SALE

Bill Howard, Howard's Auction Service, discussed a possible date for the upcoming sale of the old Jail Building.

Brown County resident Dean Tollefson stated there is a large group interested in saving the old Jail Building. Tollefson proposed turning the building into a bed and breakfast business or a human rescue center. The Commissioners would like to talk to anyone interested in purchasing the building. Tollefson would not give the names of those interested in purchasing the business. Tollefson stated that he did not trust either Commissioner Ploeger or Roberts.

Tollefson also discussed the use of military drones over Wyoming to track cows and their waste products.

Tollefson then stated that the Memorial Day flag ceremony was spectacular but he was disgusted that no elected officials had shown up for the ceremony. Commissioner Roberts said he was decorating his father's grave on that day and could not attend. Tollefson stated that he did not care. Commissioner Roberts took offense at this point. County Clerk Parker said that she, too, was offended as she was also decorating family graves out of state.

COURTHOUSE SQUARE STREET LIGHTS

Head Custodian Buzz Siebenmorgen reported that the Cityscape Engineers are adding additional street lights to the Courthouse Square and that these lights could interfere with the trees currently on the Square.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to adjourn. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:21 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday June 11, 2012.