

**OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK**

January 23, 2012

The Board of Brown County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Chairman Steve Roberts, Warren Ploeger and Keith Olsen. Also present were County Clerk Debbie Parker and 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 10 inmates currently in the Brown County Jail. Merchant reported on the past week and discussed the life span of children’s car seats.

**COMMUNICATIONS TOWER**

Deputy James Traxler reported that the Communications Tower has now been constructed. Wiring, licensing and fencing are the next projects.

**LIGHTS & SIRENS TRANSFER**

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the transfer of lights and sirens from one vehicle to another for Don Koontz. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 10 minute Executive Session on Attorney/Client privilege with the three Commissioners and County Attorney Kevin Hill present. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Closed 8:11 a.m. Opened 8:21 a.m. No binding action was taken.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 10 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners, Services for the Elderly secretary Lori Gray, County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn present. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Closed 8:22 a.m. Opened 8:29. No binding action was taken.

**MINUTES**

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the January 17, 2012 minutes. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

**BURIED CABLE PERMIT**

Buried cable permit #12-02 for JBN Telephone was approved and signed.

**APPRAISER**

Appraiser Paula Jones presented the annual maintenance contract from R&S Digital for the Commissioner’s approval.

**BG CONSULTANTS**

Tom Bennett, BG Consultants, discussed fracture critical bridge inspections. Bennett said the bridges could be inspected by rappelling off the bridge without closing the bridge. Road Foreman Herb Roland was present for the discussion. Motion by Warren Ploeger for BG Consultants to perform the 2012 Annual Bridge Inspections for Brown County’s 214 bridges, for a fee equal to their actual cost (salary plus overhead) plus 5% profit. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC ACCESS COMPUTERS**

County Treasurer Cheryl Lippold, IT Director Sandy Carter and Register of Deeds Nellie Brockhoff discussed a problem with the public access computers in the Register of Deeds back office. The public has only viewing authority on these computers. A decision on the matter was tabled until the next meeting.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to adjourn. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:59 a.m. The next meeting will be Tuesday January 31, 2012 to approve the month end bills.