

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

February 21, 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 was County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy Clerk Marla Hathhorn. Steve Roberts opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

SHERIFF

Sheriff John Merchant reported 19 inmates currently being held in the Brown County Jail. Recent arrests were reported. Merchant discussed a recent phone scam regarding medications.

911 RESOLUTION REQUEST

James Traxler, Deputy Sheriff, requested a resolution to govern the 911 telephone calls. A Resolution is required to open a separate banking account for the 911 fund account. Permission was granted for a Resolution to be organized.

MINUTES

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the February 13, 2012 minutes. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

NEK MEETING

Cheryl Lippold, Treasurer, Nellie Brockhoff, Register of Deeds, Appraiser Paula Jones and IT Director Sandy Carter presented an update on preparations on the upcoming NEK Meeting on May 25, 2012. Invitations and vendor letters are being prepared. Menu and program possibilities were discussed.

APPRAISER

Appraiser Paula Jones discussed the appraised value of the old jail. An extension was requested for the change of value notices. The notices are projected to go out around April 1, 2012.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 5 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners, Treasurer Cheryl Lippold, County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn present. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Closed 8:49 a.m. Opened 8:54 a.m. No binding action was taken.

LEGAL NEWSPAPER

Keith Olsen requested clarification of Brown County's legal newspaper. It was explained that the Horton Headlight is the legal newspaper for Brown County for 2012, with the Hiawatha World also publishing legal publications.

FENCE VIEWING

A fence viewing date of March 5, 2012 at 11 a.m. was set for a fence viewing near the junction of 170th Street and Highway 75.

LEGISLATIVE COFFEE

Republican Party Chairman Bill Pollock reported there will be a Legislative Coffee at the Horton City Hall on Saturday, February 25, 2012.

HORTON HEADLIGHT REPORTER

Keith Olsen defended the Horton Headlight reporter Lara Strube. Apparently someone has accused Strube of speaking out during the Brown County Commission meeting. Olsen denied that and stated that Strube is a fine reporter.

Motion by Keith Olsen to adjourn. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:44 a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday February 27, 2012.