

## **OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK**

September 19, 2011

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 20 inmates currently in the Brown County Jail. Merchant discussed the old jail phone system and the need in Jefferson County for an addition to their phone system.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to donate the old phone system to the Jefferson County Sheriff Department. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

## **MINUTES**

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the September 12, 2011 minutes. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

## **TREASURER**

Treasurer Cheryl Lippold reported that an employee from the Treasurer/Driver License has resigned effective September 23, 2011. Lippold has advertised for a new employee.

## **EXTENSION**

Matt Young, Extension Agent, presented a letter from the Extension Office stating that they agree to take over the taxi dispatch for the Services for the Elderly, effective January 1, 2012.

## **BURIED CABLE PERMIT**

Buried cable permit #11-08 for United Telephone Company was approved and signed.

## **HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD**

Motion by Keith Olsen to approve the Historical Society Board's recommendation to appoint Larry Day and Mary Delores Waite to the Historical Society Board, each for a three year term in newly created positions. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

## **DISTRICT COURT CLERK**

District Court Clerk Lela Smith discussed the internet service to the Courthouse which has been split off to give the third floor a separate internet service. Smith stated this doubles her monthly bill and was not included in the budget.

## **ROAD FOREMAN**

Road Foreman Herb Roland discussed the possible sale of an old Caterpillar cable scraper, which has not been used for approximately 20 years by the County. It had been offered on an auction years ago with no bidders.

The condition of some road oiling equipment was also discussed.

## **HIAWATHA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL/TRI-COUNTY MANOR**

John Moore and Lynn Dierking, Hiawatha Community Hospital, and Mary Brown and Susan Pennington, Tri-County Manor, discussed their responsibilities in taking over the Services for the Elderly meals program, effective January 1, 2012. It was agreed that both the Hiawatha Community Hospital and Tri-County would do the billing for the meals, with HCH taking care of meals north of the Baker Road and Tri-County taking south of Baker Road. Services for the Elderly Secretary Lori Gray was also present for the discussion.

The Extension Board will be paid \$10,800 yearly to provide dispatch services for the Senior Taxi, with no change in services or hours and it will still be a free-will donation. Extension Agent Matt Young presented the Extension Budget for signatures.

## **TRANSFER STATION**

County Clerk Debbie Parker reported there will be an opening at the Transfer Station as the part-time employee there turned in their resignation. Applications were reviewed from the interviews conducted for the position a few months ago.

Motion by Keith Olsen to adjourn. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m. The next meeting will be Monday September 26, 2011.