

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

July 25, 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 17 inmates currently in the Brown County Jail. Merchant discussed felony criminal damage to a Brown County patrol vehicle and a personal vehicle with damage of over \$1,000 to each vehicle.

HIAWATHA FOUNDATION FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Don Nigus, HFED, was present for the signing of a letter of support for the Brown County Healthy Food Coalition.

MINUTES

Motion by Keith Olsen to approve the July 25, 2011 minutes. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

CEREAL MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the Cereal Malt Beverage License for Casino White Cloud. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

THURMAN MILLER

Thurman Miller presented information on an appraisal for a County road project.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 10 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners, County Clerk Debbie Parker and Jody Morey, for a job interview for the opening at the Transfer Station. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Meeting closed at 8:30. Meeting opened at 8:37. No binding action was taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Keith Olsen for a 10 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners, County Clerk Debbie Parker and Judy Gray, for a job interview for the opening at the Transfer Station. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. Meeting closed at 8:38 am. Meeting opened at 8:45 am. No binding action was taken.

SHERIFF

Brown County Sheriff John Merchant and Deputy Doug Brammer discussed cell phone coverage. Merchant is thinking about changing to a different phone company for better service and more advanced cell phones.

RURAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Nancy Gafford, Jerry Gifford, Doug Allen and Bill Shroyer, RDA, presented an update for RDA. Allen reported that Jackson County will soon be joining the RDA.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 10 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners, County Clerk Debbie Parker and Vicki Galle, for a job interview for the opening at the Transfer Station. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Closed at 9:15 am. Opened at 9:20 am. No binding action was taken.

KDOT/UPRR

Shawn Henness, Kansas Department of Transportation, and Mike Benjamin, Union Pacific Railroad, discussed closing the intersection of 250th and Kingfisher, near a dangerous railroad crossing. Financial considerations were discussed. A resolution by the County and an agreement between the entities will be needed before the road is closed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Keith Olsen for a 10 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners and County Clerk Debbie Parker present. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. Closed 9:49 a.m. Opened 9:59 a.m.

TRANSFER STATION JOB POSITION

Motion by Keith Olsen to offer the job position at the Transfer Station to Joyce Ruhnke. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

KEITH OLSEN

Commissioner Keith Olsen left the meeting at this point.

2012 BUDGET

The Commissioners reviewed the proposed 2012 Budgets.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Lisa Corwin, at the request of the County, presented her extensive analysis of the State Health Insurance Plans.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 5 minute Executive Session on pending litigation with the two Commissioners, Sheriff Merchant and County Attorney Kevin Hill present. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Closed at 11:15 a.m. Opened at 11:20 am. No binding action was taken.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to adjourn. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m. The next meeting will be Friday July 29, 2011 to approve the month end bills.