

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

February 22, 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 on the past week's activities in Brown County. Merchant reported 18 inmates currently in the Brown County Jail. Merchant discussed last week's arrests.

Deputy Doug Brammer discussed mapping maintenance with GeoComm at a yearly cost of \$3,300. Adjoining counties can be added at a cost of \$250 per county. County Clerk Debbie Parker expressed interest in GeoComm's mapping overlays. Brammer will contact GeoComm for additional information.

Brammer also discussed possible locations for the new Brown County Communications tower.

ANDERSON COUNTY 911 REQUEST

Deputy Brammer reported that he had been contacted by Terry Tollefson of Century Link. Tollefson said that Anderson County Kansas is interested in purchasing some of Brown County's old 911 equipment which is not currently being used. Motion by Warren Ploeger to give Anderson County the 911 equipment at no charge. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

UNDERSHERIFF GRUBER

Sheriff John Merchant requested a \$2,000 salary increase for Undersheriff Mickey Gruber due to his taking on grant writing responsibilities. Gruber's additional title would be Grant Administrator/Writer for the Brown County Sheriff's Department.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the \$2,000 salary increase to be paid in one lump sum each year that Gruber performs the Grant Administrator/Writer responsibilities, with this year's payment to be made on the next payroll.

Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Motion by Warren Ploeger to abide by KCAMP's requirement of attending a Defensive Driving Course to obtain an Emergency Lights Permit, with anyone from this time forward being required to attend this course. Anyone already having an Emergency Lights Permit is grandfathered in but encouraged to attend the course. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion by Keith Olsen to approve the February 14, 2011 minutes. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

APPRAISER

Appraiser Paula Jones has filed an extension to send out valuation notices.

NEK MULTI COUNTY HEALTH BOARD

Motion by Keith Olsen to reappoint Leland Hansen to the NEK Multi County Health Board for a term of 3 years. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #11-10

Motion by Warren Ploeger to adopt Resolution #11-10, which supports the continuance of the Kansas Local Environmental Protection Program (LEPP) and funding. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

MICROLOAN

Deanna Pierson, discussed her MicroLoan application. Pierson feels she was profiled in being turned down for her loan. County Attorney Kevin Hill defended the MicroLoan Committee's actions and stated that Pierson had left the Microloan Committee meeting at which time she was told that her leaving the meeting would be considered her terminating her application.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Steve Roberts for a 10 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners, County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn present. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Closed 9:39 a.m. Opened 9:49 a.m. No binding action was taken.

Motion by Keith Olsen to adjourn. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday February 28, 2011 to approve the month end bills.