

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

March 8, 2010

The Board of Brown County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Chairman Warren Ploeger, Steve Roberts and Keith Olsen. Also present was Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn. County Attorney Kevin Hill was present for a portion of the meeting.

Warren Ploeger opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

SHERIFF

Sheriff John Merchant reported 15 inmates, 1 female and 14 males currently in the Brown County Jail. Merchant discussed the cell phone usage by the Sheriff's Department. Merchant researched the IRS policy regarding the issue. Merchant says there would be no penalties for personal use of county cell phones.

Merchant discussed the arrest and charges filed in a recent case.

DISTRICT COURT

District Court Clerk Lela Smith presented the final Rainbow billing on the District Court updated phone system. This system connects the Court system with County offices. The total bill was for \$567.84.

Motion by Steve Roberts to pay half of the bill from the Commissioner fund. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion by Keith Olsen to approve the March 1, 2010 minutes. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

TAX CHANGE ORDERS

Tax change orders #2009-118 through #2009-120 were approved and signed.

TIETJENS

Dennis and Stanley Tietjens requested permission to bore under a county road to place a drain line southeast of Robinson. Land on both sides of the road belong to the Tietjens. The Commissioners approved the request.

BROWN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Eric Oldham, Brown County Historical Society Director, reported that the Historical Society received a \$90,000 grant to help restore the windows and the front doors at the downtown museum.

Oldham accepted the County's offer of the boiler currently in the old jail. The boiler will be transported to and installed in the downtown museum. Oldham thanked the County on behalf of the Brown County Historical Society.

Oldham spoke of the many requests to use the Museum/Auditorium. Due to insurance liability, anyone using the Auditorium will be required to sign a liability release form. The Commissioners questioned whether the County could provide insurance coverage for the events. County Attorney Kevin Hill has spoken to KCAMP's Tom Job and the liability forms indemnifying the County are required by KCAMP. The Commissioners will contact Job for the cost of an umbrella policy to cover participants at the Auditorium.

Jere Bruning was also present for the discussion.

COMPUTER DIRECTOR

Computer Director Sandy Carter discussed the new Brown County website. Carter did not like the initial layout of the website and has been working on making easier access.

An AS400 version upgrade is scheduled for late this week.

NEK HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Cynthia Cluck, NEK Health Department, presented grant application paperwork for signatures.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to adjourn. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday March 15, 2010.