

March 23, 2009

The Board of Brown County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Warren Ploeger, Steve Roberts and Keith Olsen. Also present was County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn.

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

NEK HIGHWAYS OFFICIALS

Commissioner Ploeger announced that all three Commissioners would be attending the North East Kansas Highway Officials meeting in Seneca, Kansas on Wednesday March 25.

TERRACON CONSULTANTS GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES

Treanor Architects had solicited proposals for Geotechnical services for the Brown County jail project. Three bids were received for the project. Bids were as follows: Terracon Consultants with a bid of \$3,200; PSI with a bid of \$3,390; AIA with a bid of \$4,500.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to accept the Terracon Consultants bid for Geotechnical services for the new jail construction site, at the recommendation of Treanor Architect. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY VEHICLE LIGHTS PERMIT

Emergency Management Director Jennifer Ploeger discussed the emergency vehicle lights permit. She also reported on the receipt of the 800 system radios and distribution of the same that were rewarded from a prior grant application.

Ploeger reported on the progress of the mitigation grant.

Jennifer also reported on her concerns for the number of CPR certified employees in the Brown County Courthouse. She would like to see more employees become certified. There would be a \$15 charge for the class, and Ploeger requested the Commissioners pay for the class. The Board instructed Jennifer to find out how many employees would be interested in taking this class.

EXTENSION

Brown County Extension Agent Jennifer Ploeger reported on the Extension hosting an International Night on Saturday March 28, 2009 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the Hiawatha High School. The event is open to the public at a cost of \$3.50 per plate.

MINUTES

Motion by Steve Roberts to approve the March 16, 2009 minutes. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

TAX CHANGE ORDERS

Tax change orders #08-115 and #08-116 were approved and signed.

HORTON AMBULANCE SERVICE

Motion by Keith Olsen to approve the 2009 Horton Ambulance Service contract. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

NOXIOUS WEED

Noxious Weed Director George Bruning reported he will be attending a re-certification class this week.

CPR CLASSES

Emergency Management Director Jennifer Ploeger questioned who in the Courthouse would be included in the CPR classes in the Courthouse. The Commissioners approved for any Brown County Courthouse employee to take the class. Ploeger stated that at least 20 employees had volunteered to take the class.

Motion by Keith Olsen to approve payment for the Brown County Courthouse Employees CPR class, to be paid from the Commissioners funds. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

HOUSE DEMOLITION

Road Foreman Herb Roland discussed setting a date for house demolition on the grounds where the new jail will be built. The need for fencing around the demolished house was discussed. Two trees will also be removed from the property. Roland will contact the utility companies to insure all services are shut off.

Motion by Steve Roberts to adjourn. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m. The next meeting will be held Tuesday March 31, 2009, to approve the March month end bills.