

May 5, 2008

The Board of Brown County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Chairman Steve Roberts, Warren Ploeger and Glen Leitch. Also present were County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn. Steve Roberts opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

SHERIFF

Sheriff John Merchant presented a shared user's agreement for the Commissioner's signatures. The new inmate handbook will take effect May 14, 2008. Merchant discussed reports of illegal dumping and will issue a press release with tips for residents in regards to illegal dumping. Merchant reported that the Sheriff's Department policy handbook is being revised.

MINUTES

Motion by Glen Leitch to approve the April 30, 2008 minutes. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

NOXIOUS WEED

Noxious Weed Director George Bruning reported problems with the Household Hazardous Waste Program. Bids for the building which houses an explosion proof room are coming in higher than expected.

TUBE BID OPENING

Road Foremen Mel Werner and Richard Geiger were present for the road tube bid opening. Bids were as follows: Welborn Sales with a bid of \$25,767.30; DC Wholesale with a bid of \$26,316.25; Metal Culverts with no total bid available; and Midwest Sales with a bid of \$30,158.42.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to accept the bid of \$26,316.25 from DC Wholesale, due to two tubes being provided instead of three in the specifications. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

COURTHOUSE WAR MEMORIAL

Hiawatha City Administrator Lynne Ladner was contacted in regards to electrical work on the new War Memorial in front of the Brown County Courthouse. Ladner approved using the City's electrical contact to light the Memorial.

GRIMM'S GARDEN TREE ESTIMATE

Motion by Steve Roberts to accept Grimm's Gardens estimate of \$2,357.20 for adding nine new trees to the Courthouse grounds. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

JCAB/ACC

JCAB/ACC Director Venice Sloan explained the annual report. The JCAB/ACC pay scale for part-time employees was reviewed.

TAX CHANGE ORDER

Tax change order #07-110 was approved and signed.

FENCE VIEWING

A fence viewing was requested by Elvin Goodman. The viewing will take place on May 27, 2008 at 11 a.m. Certified letters will be sent by the County Clerk to the concerned parties.

ALEXANDER'S BLIND & DRAPERIES

Cathy Hammer, of Alexander's Blind & Draperies, discussed sun-control blinds. Hammer will return with larger samples of the blinds.

JIM HILL'S GLASS

Ron Hill, of Jim Hill's Glass, discussed window treatments for the new Courthouse windows.

Motion by Steve Roberts to adjourn. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m. The next meeting will be Monday May 12, 2008.