

## **July 14, 2008**

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

### **SERVICES FOR ELDERLY**

Steve Ward, Services for the Elderly Director, presented the 2009 Services for the Elderly budget request of \$175,029.

### **SHERIFF**

Sheriff John Merchant is encouraging Brown County residents to purchase gas caps with key locks help prevent the siphoning of gasoline from their vehicles.

Merchant presented a request from KANZA to donate \$1,000 towards the purchase of video-conferencing equipment.

Merchant also reported on the purchase of 8 surveillance cameras to replace non-working cameras currently at the Sheriff's Office. Total cost was \$2,185.

### **NOXIOUS WEED**

George Bruning, Noxious Weed Director, requested \$143,900 for the 2009 Noxious Weed budget.

### **CENTURY HEALTH**

Lisa Welch, Century Health Insurance, presented the quarterly report for Brown County employee insurance. Also discussed was the Cobraguard program, which handles the County insurance notices.

### **COUNTY TREASURER**

Cheryl Lippold, Treasurer, presented a 2009 budget request of \$183,737 for the Treasurer's Office.

Postal Pre-Sort, a new program offering tax statement mailing, was discussed. The program would print, stuff and mail the tax statements within three days of receiving the file from Brown County.

### **HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Helen Sourk, Jere Bruning and Donna Thonen, Brown County Historical Society, requested \$20,000 for the Brown County Historical Society. Sourk reported on projects at both the downtown Museum and the Agricultural Museum.

### **SOLID WASTE**

Charlie Brockhoff, Solid Waste Director, presented a 2009 budget request of \$759,378 for the Solid Waste Department.

### **CONSERVATION**

Margaret Kanel, Brad Swearingen, Ed Winter, Brad Reschke, Matt Sprick, Bruce Knudson and Mark Meyer, members of the Brown County Conservation Board, requested \$25,000 for the 2009 Conservation budget.

### **RDA**

David Key, Nancy Gafford, Jerry Gifford, Lu Hangley and Doug Allen, members of the Rural Development Association Board, requested \$32,500 for the 2009 RDA budget.

### **BURIED CABLE PERMIT**

Buried cable permit #08-06 for Embarq was approved and signed.

**MINUTES**

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the June 30, 2008 minutes. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried with Steve Roberts abstaining to his absence June 30, 2008.

**MINUTES**

Motion by Steve Roberts to approve the July 7, 2008 minutes. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried, with Warren Ploeger abstaining due to his absence July 7, 2008.

**REGISTER OF DEEDS**

Nellie Brockhoff, Register of Deeds, presented a request of \$67,154 for the Register of Deeds 2009 budget.

**COMPUTER**

Sandy Carter, Computer, requested \$135,205 for the 2009 Computer budget.

**COUNTY CLERK/ELECTION**

County Clerk/Election Officer Debbie Parker presented the 2009 County Clerk budget request of \$110,700 and Election 2009 budget request of \$68,700.

**COMMISSIONER**

The Brown County Commissioner 2009 budget request of \$507,908 was reviewed.

**JANITOR**

Buzz Siebenmorgen, Head Custodian, discussed the 2009 Janitor budget request of \$353,000. A bid with two options was reviewed for replacing the jail boiler.

**RESCUE SQUAD**

The Brown County Rescue Squad 2009 budget of \$4,000 was reviewed.

**ROAD & BRIDGE**

The Road & Bridge proposed 2009 budget of \$2,263,347 was reviewed. The Commissioners will meet with the Road Foremen to determine where budget cuts can be made.

Motion by Steve Roberts to adjourn. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:32 a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday July 21, 2008.