

August 25, 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. 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 prior week's activities. There were three reported arrests and one injury accident.

MINUTES

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the August 18, 2008 minutes. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

BROWN COUNTY EXTENSION

Brown County Extension Agents Jennifer Ploeger & Matt Young requested permission to use the first floor lobby of the Brown County Courthouse for a chili supper before the Halloween Parade. The Commissioners granted the request but suggested it might be more profitable to have the chili supper in front of the Courthouse.

Also discussed was the Brown County Field Day on September 4, 2008.

RESOLUTIONS #08-14 & #08-15 NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN HEARING

Doug Allen, Sabetha City Administrator, was present for the Sabetha City Neighborhood Revitalization Plan Hearing.

Motion by Steve Roberts to approve Resolution #08-14 and Resolution #08-15, which both designate the area for the City of Sabetha's Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

PROPOSED BROWN COUNTY JAIL

Kevin Cowan, Gilmore & Bell, reviewed financing options for the proposed new Brown County Jail. At the projected revenue rate ½ cent sales tax would allow for the jail bond issue to be paid off in approximately 11 years.

Motion by Steve Roberts to put the ½ cent sales tax proposal on the November ballot, with the collections to begin as soon as practically possible and to sunset no later than April 2020. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

Kevin Cowan stressed that the sales tax levy has become the most practical way for Counties to fund jail projects.

Motion by Glen Leitch to adjourn. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m. The next meeting will be Friday August 29, 2008, to approve the month end bills.