# **November 10, 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 was County Clerk Debbie Parker. County Attorney Kevin Hill was present for a portion of the meeting. Steve Roberts opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

### **MINUTES**

Motion by Glen Leitch to approve the November 3, 2008 minutes. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

Motion by Glen Leitch to approve the November 7, 2008 canvassing minutes. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

### JINGLE BELL RIDE

Jingle Bell Ride representative Patty Merchant requested permission to bring the donated bicycles from Walmart to the Courthouse on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, so that they would be here for the Jingle Bell Ride on Sunday. The Commission approved this request.

### PAYROLL

The November 5, 2008 payroll was approved as follows:

General	\$43,053.01
Road & Bridge	19,003.60
Election	6,071.20
Appraiser	3,884.00
Noxious Weed	1,231.36
Diversion	440.00
ACC	7,120.54
JJA Core	6,390.77
JJA Preventions	1,322.26
Services for Elderly	2,897.21
Solid Waste	2,623.98
Court Trustee	5,433.48
Special MVT	984.00
Employee Ben FICA	5,855.30
Employee Ben KPERS	4,227.32
State Unemploy/Work Comp	-353.64
Insurance	-2,265.78
TOTAL	\$107,918.61

# **SHERIFF**

Sheriff John Merchant reported on recent arrests and accidents for the prior week. There have been numerous car/deer accidents reported. There are 32 male inmates in the Brown County Jail of which 4 are being housed for Johnson County.

# **CHANGE ORDERS**

Name and address only changes were approved for change orders 08-01thru 08-02; 08-16 thru 08-21 and 08-27 thru 08-42.

## DISTRICT COURT

Clerk of the District Court Clerk, Lela Smith, presented a purchase order to replace a computer work station for a total cost of \$1,030.00. Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve this purchase. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Steve Roberts for a 10-minute executive session on non-elected personnel. Those present included the Board of Commissioners, Deputy Appraiser Paula Jones, and County Clerk Debbie Parker. Meeting closed at 9:03 a.m. Meeting opened at 9:13 a.m. No binding action was taken.

### APPRAISERS OFFICE

Deputy Appraiser Paula Jones gave an update on the Orion data conversion for the Appraisers Office. This data is for practice only.

## CENTURY HEALTH SOLUTIONS

Century Health Solutions agents Lisa Welch and Kevin Kennedy, presented the renewal rates for Principal Health Insurance premiums for 2009. Delta Dental premiums are increasing 3%. The Group term life premiums are increasing .5% due to the increasing average age of the employees. There is no increase in the FSA plan. Due to the heavy usage for 2008, the premiums for the County's health insurance premiums are increasing 19.7%. Lisa presented an option to increase the total out-of- pocket expenses for an individual from \$1,500 to \$2,000. This option would only require a 10.7% increase. A decision was tabled until further discussion could be held.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Steve Roberts for a 15 minute executive session on real estate acquisition. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Those present included the Commissioners, County Attorney Kevin Hill, and County Clerk Debbie Parker. Meeting closed at 10:00 a.m. Meeting opened at 10:15 a.m. Session was held for informational purposes only. No binding action was taken.

## **HEALTH INSURANCE**

Motion by Glen Leitch to change the insurance plan by increasing the maximum out of pocket expense from \$1,500 to \$2,000, therefore only increasing the health insurance premiums by 10.7%; and giving all Brown County employees a 25 cent an hour raise for the year of 2009. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

# COMPUTER DEPARTMENT

Sandy Carter, IT Director, informed the Commissioners that she was in the process of replacing the PC Server for the DMS Online and to store the County's PC documents, at a total cost of \$11,196. This server was budgeted for replacement in 2008. Also discussed was the new Orion system and the pros and cons of the county hosting it or having the state host the system.

### **COUNTY APPRAISER**

A phone call was made to Jackson County in respect to the agreement between the counties on sharing an appraiser. The Brown County Commissioners offered the full time Appraisers position for Brown County to Paula Jones for a salaried position of \$40,000.00 effective today. Jones accepted this position. Motion by Steve Roberts to approve this action. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

Motion by Steve Roberts to adjourn. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m. The next meeting will on Monday November 17, 2008.