

## **January 16, 2007**

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 Lamar Shoemaker reported one of the new patrol vehicles, a white Dodge Charger, has arrived. Shoemaker discussed the new concealed weapons law. Shoemaker also discussed the heating system at the Sheriff's Office.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 20 minute Executive Session on potential litigation with the three Commissioners and Sheriff Shoemaker present. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. Closed 8:10 a.m. Opened 8:30 a.m. No binding action was taken.

### **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM**

Noxious Weed Director George Bruning discussed a household hazardous waste program for Brown County. Bruning reported on the purchase of a proposed building with special containment cabinets to house the program, which would be located at the Brown County Landfill. Bruning requested that two Commissioners attend the January 25, 2007 household hazardous waste program in Horton. Commissioners Ploeger and Leitch will attend the meeting.

### **HERITAGE TRUST GRANT**

Historical Society President Helen Sourk and HATTS President Jim Aikens expressed their concern in regards to Brown County possibly applying for the Heritage Trust Grant to help pay for replacement Courthouse windows. Sourk is concerned that if both the Courthouse and the Brown County Historical Society apply, they would be competing with each other for the grant. The Historical Society will be applying for the grant to hire an architect for a comprehensive plan for restoring the Auditorium. Motion by Warren Ploeger to not apply for the Heritage Trust Grant to pay for the replacement of the Courthouse windows, to avoid any conflict with the Historical Society Grant application. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

### **MINUTES**

Motion by Glen Leitch to approve the January 8, 2007 minutes. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

### **CD BID OPENING**

Treasurer Cheryl Lippold was present for the bid opening of a \$100,000.00 CD, currently held at Union State Bank. The bids were as follows: Hiawatha National Bank with a bid of 5.00% for 180 days and 5.16% for 365 days; Morrill & Janes Bank with a bid of 5.28% for 180 days and 5.41% for 365 days; United Bank of Kansas with a bid of 5.10% for both 180 days and 365 days; and Union State Bank with a bid of 5.31% for 365 days. Motion by Warren Ploeger to accept the Morrill & Janes Bank bid of 5.41% for 365 days. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

### **NORTHEAST AREA AGENCY ON AGING**

Motion by Glen Leitch to approve the 2007 Administrative Match of \$1,378.30 to the Northeast Area Agency of Aging. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

### **BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS**

Big Brothers/Big Sisters Director Gerri Wybo-Vopata presented the 2006 year end report for the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program. Wybo-Vopata discussed the Bowl-a-thon fund-raiser.

Motion by Glen Leitch to adjourn. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:19 a.m. The next meeting will be Monday January 22, 2007.