January 22, 2007

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

PAYROLL

General	\$45,036.67
Road & Bridge	11,338.00
Election	1,149.77
Appraiser	2,832.00
Noxious Weed	1,068.47
JCAB	6,021.64
Diversion	336.00
JJ Prevention	837.64
ACC	6,676.98
Services for Elderly	2,474.83
Solid Waste	2,396.42
Court Trustee	2,348.44
Employer Ben FICA	4,791.79
Employer Ben KPERS	3,070.46
County Share Insurance	-5,437.27
Work Comp/St Unemployment	-176.88
TOTAL	\$84,764.96

The January 17, 2007 payroll was approved as follows:

SHERIFF

Sheriff Lamar Shoemaker discussed vehicle accidents during the weekend snowstorm.

MAPLE HEIGHTS

Treasurer Cheryl Lippold and Appraiser Tom Brown discussed a letter received from Maple Heights stating they had paid 2006 taxes on a house owned by them in error. Under the advice of their attorneys they are advising Brown County of this.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Horton City Administrator Levi Henry and Hiawatha City Administrator Lynne Ladner presented their respective city's recently passed Resolutions urging Brown County to begin a Household Hazardous Waste Program. Noxious Weed Director George Bruning was also present for the discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Glen Leitch for a 10-minute Executive Session on pending litigation with the two Commissioners, County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn present. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. Closed 9:13 a.m. Opened 9:23 a.m. No binding action was taken.

RAINBOW COMMUNICATIONS

Jim Streeter, Plant Manager for Rainbow Communications, would like to bury a cable on the west courthouse lawn, running into the Courthouse. According to Streeter this would provide a more stable service, as opposed to the current wireless service. Rainbow is the current internet provider for the Courthouse. Computer Department Director Sandy Carter stated that a buried cable would be more reliable,

with better service at the same cost. Rainbow Communications would pay for the entire cost of burying the cable.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the request by Rainbow Communications for a buried cable changeover. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

MICROSOFT OFFICE

Computer Department Director Sandy Carter reported the need to upgrade Microsoft Office on the County computers. Carter would like to purchase the licenses in a group, which would save approximately \$1,400.00 over buying individual programs to update.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the group purchase. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Steve Brown discussed with the Commissioners the possibility of appointing an Assistant Emergency Preparedness Director.

MINUTES

Motion by Glen Leitch to approve the January 16, 2007 minutes. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

Motion by Glen Leitch to adjourn. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. Adjourned 11:42 a.m. The next meeting will be Monday January 29, 2007.