February 12, 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. Chairman Steve Roberts opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

NOXIOUS WEED

Noxious Weed Director George Bruning presented his annual report for signatures.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 10-minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the 3 Commissioners, Sheriff Lamar Shoemaker, County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn present. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. Closed 8:05 a.m. Opened 8:15 a.m. No binding action was taken.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Lamar Shoemaker discussed prisoner transports and meal reimbursements during daytrips. Shoemaker reported that the dispatch supervisor had stepped down from the supervisor position, with a new dispatch supervisor being hired.

DISTRICT COURT CLERK

District Court Clerk Lela Smith requested handrails in the third floor employee restroom. The Commissioners directed Smith to contact Custodian Buzz Siebenmorgen to handle the request.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Emergency Management Director Steve Brown explained the Personal Services Contract for the Land-Use GIS unit by R&S Digital Services, Inc.

EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT

NEK-CAP Representative Carol Graves presented paperwork for signatures for the Emergency Shelter Grant.

MINUTES

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the February 5, 2007 minutes. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

BG CONSULTANTS

BG Consultants Representative Tom Bennett discussed a possible landfill closure of the C&D (Construction/Demolition) pits. The objective in Brown County is to keep the C&D pit open to serve the citizens of Brown County. Transfer Station Director Charlie Brockhoff was also present for the discussion.

JCAB

JCAB Director Venice Sloan presented paperwork for transferring funds for signatures.

KEYSTONE PIPELINE PROJECT

Keystone Pipeline Project Representative Roger Phillips reported on construction of the Keystone Pipeline. Phillips reported that an estimated 435,000 barrels of oil a day will be transported by the pipeline, with construction starting in the spring of 2008. Phillips requested that the County prepare a route to be followed for use by heavy equipment when the pipeline construction is started. It was agreed that all road crossings would be bored through. Also present for the discussion were Road Foremen Herb Roland, Richard Geiger and Mel Werner; Mission Township Officers Rodney Rice and Robert Tollefson; and Assistant County Attorney Hillary Boye.

Motion by Steve Roberts to adjourn. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m. The next meeting will be held February 20, 2007, due to the Presidents Day Holiday.