

September 4, 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. County Attorney Kevin Hill was present for a portion of the meeting.

Steve Roberts opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

ROAD FOREMAN

Road Foreman Richard Geiger discussed price quotes for cutting edges with bullet teeth for the road maintainers from Berry Tractor and Welborn Sales. Motion by Glen Leitch to buy two sets of cutting edges from Berry Tractor at a total cost of \$5,856.00. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

The Horton Lake Road project was also discussed. A contract is being drawn up by County Attorney Kevin Hill between Brown County and Horton City concerning the improvements and future maintenance of the road. County Clerk Debbie Parker contacted Mission Township, who claim no ownership of any portion of the Lake Road.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Lamar Shoemaker reported on his recent meeting in Texas sponsored by the Kickapoo Tribe. Shoemaker also discussed a police chase in Nemaha County.

MINUTES

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the August 31, 2007 minutes. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

PHONE SYSTEM

County Treasurer Cheryl Lippold, County Clerk Debbie Parker and IT (Information & Technology) Director Sandy Carter discussed the need for a second floor phone system in the Courthouse. The Commissioners requested that Lippold gather information from Rainbow Communications and report the findings back to the Commission.

LANDFILL SHAG TRACTOR PAYMENT

Motion by Warren Ploeger for the Brown County Treasurer's Office to pay \$11,500.00 to Wertenberger Transportation from the Solid Waste Fund for a recently purchased shag tractor. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

HORTON LAKE ROAD

County Attorney Kevin Hill discussed the contract between Brown County and Horton City for improvements to the Horton Lake Road. Hill will contact Road Foreman Richard Geiger for specifics in the contract.

PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION

Kevin Cowan, Gilmore & Bell, discussed the Resolution needed to create a Public Building Commission for the construction of a new Correctional Facility in Brown County. The formation of and the responsibilities of the Public Building Commission were discussed. The County Commission would have the final decision in all construction and financial matters.

Cowan stated that the names of the six appointed members of the Public Building Commission would need to be named in the County Commission minutes. Cowan would like to be present at the first meeting with the six appointed members of the Public Building Commission, to assist with the adoption of the by-laws. Motion by Warren Ploeger to pass amended Resolution #07-12, which will create a Public Building Commission for the construction of a new Correctional Facility in Brown County. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. The amended Resolution will be signed at the next Commissioner meeting.

BRIDGE PROJECT #7C-4028-01

Local appraiser Thurman Miller presented the required land appraisals for Bridge Project #7C-4028-01.

GRIMM GARDENS

Doug Grimm, owner of Grimm Gardens, discussed the courthouse trees. The Commissioners, Custodian Buzz Siebenmorgen and County Clerk Debbie Parker, along with Doug Grimm, then toured the Courthouse lawn to decide where replacement trees were needed. Different varieties of trees were discussed.

Motion by Steve Roberts to adjourn. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:50

a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday September 10, 2007