

## **January 17, 2006**

The Board of Brown County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Chairman Warren Ploeger, Steve Roberts and Glen Leitch. Also present was Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn. County Attorney Kevin Hill was present for a portion of the meeting. Chairman Warren Ploeger opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

### **SHERIFF**

Sheriff Lamar Shoemaker, reported that Tazers had been ordered at a cost of approximately \$800.00 each to be paid from the Sheriff Drug Forfeiture Fund. Two officers will attend a two-day tazer school to become certified in tazer usage. Also discussed was the Horton shooting range.

### **VENICE SLOAN**

Venice Sloan, JCAB/ACC Director, reported that the departments had old computers which will be available for sale after Sloan clears old files off the computers.

### **MINUTES**

Motion by Steve Roberts to approve the January 9, 2006 minutes. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

### **LAKOTA TRAIL**

Steve Roberts reported that sub-division owner Dennis Lenon expects the sub-division containing Lakota Trail and Kansa Drive to be maintained by Hiawatha Township. Sheriff Lamar Shoemaker stated that all new roads in the County should be coordinated with the 911 system as they are named. Roberts will talk with Dennis Lenon and Teresa Clements of the Appraiser's Office.

### **RURAL MAIL BOXES**

Glen Leitch reported that he had received a request from Horton Fire Chief Gary Behrnes for rural citizens to put their addresses on their rural mail boxes.

### **TAX ORDERS**

Tax Orders #05-47 and #05-48 were approved and signed.

### **ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY CHORUS AND CHAMBER CHOIR**

Judy Bush requested that the Courthouse Lobby be opened on Saturday February 11 from 6 p.m to 7:30 p.m., as the St Joseph Community Chorus and Chamber Choir would be performing at the Brown County Historical Auditorium that evening and additional restroom facilities were needed. Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the request, with a custodian being present. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTION #06-06**

Motion by Glen Leitch to approve Resolution #06-06, which appoints Dr. Byron Bigham to a 4-year term as District Coroner for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District, effective January 1, 2006. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

### **PONY EXPRESS BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS**

Gerri Wybo-Vopata, Executive Director of the Pony Express Big Brothers/Big Sisters, presented the yearly report.

Wybo-Vopata reported that there are 109 children waiting to be matched in the program.

### **CD BID OPENING**

Treasurer Cheryl Lippold was present for the CD bid opening of a \$100,000.00 CD currently held at Union State Bank. Bids were as follows: Hiawatha National Bank at 3.82% paying \$1,866.42 for 180 days and at 4.08% paying \$4,080.85 at 365 days; Morrill & Janes Bank at 4.55% paying \$2,218.64 for 180 days and at 4.67% paying \$4,665.27 for 365 days; United Bank of Kansas at 4.50% paying \$2,225.00 for 180 days and at 4.50% paying \$4,450.00 for 365 days; and Union State Bank at 4.668% paying \$4,668.00 for 365 days.

Motion by Steve Roberts to accept the Union State Bank bid of 4.668% paying \$4,668.00 for 365 days. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.  
Lippold also reported that the Treasury Index Account had earned \$10,660.51 for Brown County in 2005.

#### **EMPLOYEE INSURANCE**

County Attorney Kevin Hill reported that the auditor recommended that Brown County should pay only the approved Brown County Insurance Cafeteria Plan and not pay any employee for any supplemental insurance plan, even though the supplemental plan may be cheaper.

#### **LEAVE WITHOUT PAY**

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve paying Brown County Employee Randy Jordan only for time worked plus 11 hours of vacation for the January 1-14, 2006 payroll; the remaining 13 hours will be considered leave without pay. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

#### **MICROLOANS**

Nancy Gafford, RDA Director, reported that Hiawatha City and Horton City wished to continue with a new 5-year Revitalization Plan and other entities are being contacted regarding their participation. Appraiser Tom Brown reported that he has applications on hold and will wait until the administration work is finished.

#### **911 GIS MAPPING**

Sheriff Lamar Shoemaker reported that the GIS Mapping 911 contract had been signed.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to adjourn. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday January 23, 2006.