May 15, 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 were County Clerk Debbie Parker and 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.

PAYROLL

The May 10, 2006 payroll was approved as follows:

General	\$42,678.38
Road & Bridge	10,019.42
Election	205.77
Appraiser	2,712.00
Noxious Weed	906.74
JCAB	4,952.53
Diversion	410.00
JJ Prevention	516.72
ACC	4,679.38
Services for Elderly	2,556.59
Solid Waste	2,224.87
Court Trustee	4,243.43
Special MVT	4,952.23
Employee Ben FICA	4,709.19
Employee Ben KPERS	2,668.79
Employee Ben Health	(3.42)
TOTAL	\$88,432.62

SHERIFF

Sheriff Lamar Shoemaker reported a recent increase in burglaries in rural Brown County residences. Patrols have been increased in response to the burglaries.

Also discussed were the 11 registered sex offenders in Hiawatha and the internet website which tracks them.

Shoemaker explained the concealed weapon law application, with the application fee being \$150.00. Information was distributed by Commissioner Roberts to remind the public not to obstruct the right of way at rural intersections.

CITY OF HORTON

City of Horton Administrator Levi Henry phoned the Commissioners with a request that the County and the City of Horton split the cost of 75 ton of rock for the Blue Building in Horton. The request will be reviewed by the Commissioners.

ROAD FOREMEN

Road Foremen Herb Roland and Mel Werner discussed various road projects.

MINUTES

Motion by Steve Roberts to approve the May 8, 2006 minutes. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

BURIED CABLE PERMIT

Buried cable permit #06-07 for Sprint was approved and signed.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney Kevin Hill introduced the County Attorney Office's new summer intern Laura Findley.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a twenty minute Executive Session on attorney/client privilege with the three Commissioners and County Attorney Kevin Hill present. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. Closed 10:10 a.m. Opened 10:30 a.m. No binding action was taken.

TAX ABATEMENTS

Tax abatements and Industrial Revenue Bonds were discussed with County Attorney Kevin Hill.

JCAB/ACC

Venice Sloan, JCAB/ACC Director, is looking into moving the JCAB/ACC offices to a new location outside of the Courthouse. With all the extra space available in the new location, Sloan explained that the department's old computers could be utilized for client instruction. The department could also offer after school services in hygiene and social skills. The JCAB/ACC Board will review the move and make a recommendation to the Commissioners.

BROWN COUNTY EMPLOYEES

Brown County Appraiser Deputy Paula Jones requested the Commissioners to consider allowing employees to work four 10-hour days, which would allow the public to conduct business during the extended hours of 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Courthouse would remain open five days a week. Treasurer Cheryl Lippold and Register of Deeds Sandy Carter were also present for the discussion. Sandy Carter and Debbie Parker also discussed the proposed imaging process for the Road & Bridge Department records.

Motion by Steve Roberts to adjourn. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:09 p.m. The next meeting will be held Monday May 22, 2006.