

May 31, 2005

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

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

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

The Commissioners and Attorney Kevin Hill, approved the following claims:

General	\$57,600.06
Road & Bridge	75,748.19
Special Machinery	91,924.44
Election	450.80
Noxious Weed	5,130.68
Historical Society	833.33
Employee Benefit	33,002.43
Extension	5,833.34
Mental Health	5,833.34
Mental Retardation	2,254.33
Appraiser	5,662.17
Ambulance	6,016.67
JCAB	4,801.02
Sheriff Drug Forfeiture	221.68
911	1,902.35
ACC	3,748.08
CC123	3,536.96
Services for Elderly	5,266.18
Solid Waste	32,659.96
Life Insurance	450.76
Health Insurance	8,594.99
Cancer Insurance	88.14
Court Trustee	1,388.16
Total	\$352,948.06

PAYROLL

The May 25, 2005 payroll was approved as follows:

General	\$40,298.62
Road & Bridge	10,862.57
Election	1,069.77
Appraiser	2,592.00

Noxious Weed	964.00
JCAB	5,142.75
Diversion	400.00
ACC	4,027.90
Services for Elderly	2,642.33
Solid Waste	1,660.03
Court Trustee	3,797.55
Employee Ben FICA	4,940.07
Employee Ben KPERS	2,244.62
TOTAL	\$80,642.21

SHERIFF

Sheriff Lamar Shoemaker reported recent burglaries in Hiawatha, Sabetha and Fairview. Shoemaker also discussed receiving a grant for the radio; the grant money was deposited in and will be disbursed from the Sheriff's Drug Forfeiture fund.

DAVID LINCK

Brown County Resident David Linck questioned the County's offer to pay \$20,000.00 for a Bio-Diesel Feasibility Study, with the total cost of the study being an estimated \$38,000-\$40,000. It was explained that the \$20,000.00 will pay for more than just a study for a Bio-Diesel plant, as the study can be used for other industry as well. The Commissioners view this cost as an investment in economic development.

LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL

Motion by Steve Roberts to renew the liquor license for the Horton Lakeview Country Club. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Commissioner Steve Roberts reported that the Hiawatha Foundation for Economic Development (HFED) had requested Brown County to give the Area Agency on Aging an appropriation of \$1,400.00. The request will be considered for the 2006 Budget Year.

BROWN COUNTY 150TH ANNIVERSARY

The Commissioners viewed the Courthouse lawn in preparation of planting five trees for the 150th Anniversary of Brown County on August 26th, 2005.

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION RUN

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the use of the Courthouse Square on June 5, 2005 for the American Heart Association Run. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion by Glen Leitch to approve the May 23, 2005 minutes. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

CD BID OPENING

Treasurer Cheryl Lippold was present for the bid opening of a \$200,000.00 CD currently held at Union State Bank.

The bids were as follows: Silver Lake Bank bid of 2.35% for 180 days and 2.75% for 365 days; and Morrill & Janes bank bid of 3.38% for 180 days and 3.43% for 365 days.

Motion by Glen Leitch to accept the Morrill & Janes Bank bid of 3.43% for 365 days.

Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

APPRAISER

Appraiser Tom Brown reported that his four-year appointment expires on July 1, 2005 with both Brown and Jackson Counties. A conference call will be scheduled for June 6, 2005 between the Brown & Jackson County Commissioners to discuss Tom Brown's re-appointment for the next four years.

STORM DAMAGE POLICY

The storm damage policy at the Brown County Landfill was discussed. The current policy allows the Landfill to accept storm damaged related materials free of charge from Brown County residents.

Motion by Warren Ploeger that effective July 1, 2006, storm damage materials will no longer be accepted free of charge at the Landfill. This decision was based upon the abuse of the former policy and also the additional cost of maintaining the C&D pit due to State mandates. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Steve Roberts. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday, June 6, 2005.