

**June 13, 2005**

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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 County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn. Warren Ploeger opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

**NOXIOUS WEED**

George Bruning, Noxious Weed Director, discussed his need for part-time summer help. Bruning was granted permission to hire a part-time employee for the summer.

**PAYROLL**

The June 8, 2005 payroll was approved as follows:

General	\$40,626.69
Road & Bridge	11,536.97
Election	1,069.77
Appraiser	2,592.00
Noxious Weed	964.00
JCAB	5,142.75
Diversion	1,040.00
ACC	4,275.96
Services for Elderly	2,574.58
Solid Waste	2,146.01
Court Trustee	6,258.54
Employee Ben FICA	5,116.76
Employee Ben KPERS	2,275.97
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$85,620.00</b>

**SHERIFF**

Sheriff Lamar Shoemaker reported on an armed robbery at the Casey's store in Hiawatha. Most of the recent burglaries in Brown County have been solved, with the suspects being arrested. Also discussed was the recently injured drug dog Memo.

**MINUTES**

Motion by Glen Leitch to approve the June 6, 2005 meeting. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

**BIO-DIESEL FEASIBILITY STUDY**

Jon Daeschner, Marian Tubach, Troy Boswell, Andy Pederson, and Gene Hillyer reported that \$17,500.00 had been raised for the balance of the Bio-Diesel Feasibility Study. Brown County has pledged \$20,000.00 towards the Study. Information for the bid letter will be approved by County Attorney Kevin Hill and a letter will be ready for

signatures at the June 20, 2005 Commissioner meeting, with bids on the Feasibility Study being returned by June 30, 2005.

Steve Roberts volunteered to be on the steering committee, representing Brown County.

#### **FREEDOM FUEL ENHANCER**

Dale Salts, Freedom Fuel Enhancer, presented information on his fuel additive/cleanser product.

#### **APPRAISER**

Appraiser Tom Brown discussed the tax status of properties outside the Tribal Reservations. Brown will write a letter expressing Brown County's concerns.

#### **BG CONSULTANTS**

Tom Bennett, BG Consultants, reported on the CDBG Grants. These grants are available for low to medium income entities. Brown County's qualifying townships would be Irving, Robinson, Mission and Powhattan. The Commissioners and Road Foremen will select projects for the grant applications, which must be submitted by October 2005. Also discussed was the letter received from the State of Kansas regarding past water structure permits. Various other road projects were discussed.

Motion by Glen Leitch to adjourn. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday, June 20, 2005.