

**July 18, 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, 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. Warren Ploeger opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

**JCAB**

Venice Sloan, JCAB Director, presented notification of grant awards for signatures.

**SERVICES FOR ELDERLY**

Steve Ward, Director, presented the Services for the Elderly 2006 Budget request for \$103,753, an increase of \$4,233 from last year's budget.

**NOXIOUS WEED**

The Noxious Weed 2006 budget request was for \$128,700, which is \$1,700 over the 2005 budget.

**APPRAISER**

Appraiser Tom Brown requested \$146,400 for the 2006 Budget, an increase of \$14,400 over the 2005 budget.

**JANITOR**

The Janitor's 2006 budget request was for \$225,425, an increase of \$54,025 over the 2005 budget.

**LEON TRANT**

Hiawatha City Mayor Leon Trant discussed the Whistle Stop National Guard Caravan which will stop in Hiawatha on July 19, 2005, in honor of their 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**EXTENSION**

Extension Board Members Leroy Puvogel, Tina Nigh, Kevin Chadwell, Rosemary Schooler, Jeff Grimm and Laurie Neemann, Extension Director Steve Brown and K-State Extension Representative Dale Fjell presented the 2006 Extension budget request for \$79,708, amounting to \$9,708 over the 2005 budget.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

Karla Harter and Cindy Cluck presented the 2006 Health Department Budget request of \$46,305, which is \$2,205 over the 2005 budget.

**CONSERVATION**

Conservation Board Members Mark Meyer, Ed Winter, Scott Williams, Jane Snyder, Matt Sprick and Secretary Margaret Kanel presented a budget request of \$20,500, an increase of \$2,000 over 2005.

#### **RURAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION**

RDA Board Members Nancy Gafford, Carl Slaugh, Dale White, Jerry Gifford and Doug Allen requested \$25,000 for the 2006 budget, the same amount requested in 2005.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 10-minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel, with the Commissioners, County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn present. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. Closed 11:00 a.m. A conference call was placed to the Jackson County Commissioners. Opened 11:09 a.m. No binding action was taken.

#### **BURIED CABLE PERMIT**

Buried cable permit #05-09 for the City of Hiawatha was approved and signed.

#### **SECOND FLOOR MEMO**

A memo announcing the closing of the Courthouse 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor on August 9, 2005 for Ethernet wiring was approved and signed. Second floor employees have three options: they may take the day off as a vacation day, take the day without pay, or they may come in and work the regularly scheduled day.

#### **MINUTES**

Motion by Glen Leitch to approve the July 11, 2005 minutes. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried, with Steve Roberts abstaining from the vote, as he was absent from the July 11 meeting.

#### **BG CONSULTANTS**

Tom Bennett, BG Consultants, discussed the CDBG Grant road project on 150<sup>th</sup> Street. This grant application may be changed to a KANSTEP grant.

#### **COUNTY CLERK/ELECTION**

County Clerk Debbie Parker presented the 2006 budget for the Clerk's office at \$99,200, an increase of \$4,500. Also presented was the 2006 budget request for Election at \$75,000, an increase of \$14,800, due to federally mandated HAVA laws.

#### **ROAD & BRIDGE/COMMISSIONER**

The Road & Bridge 2006 budget request was for \$1,620,000, an increase of \$108,863. The Commissioner's budget request was for \$335,360, an increase of \$360.

Motion by Steve Roberts to adjourn. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m. The next meeting will be held Monday, July 25, 2005.