

March 1, 2004

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

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

SHERIFF

Lamar Shoemaker, Sheriff, reported on bids received for a 2004 Crown Victoria Patrol Car from Aberle Ford and Stan Boos Auto. Due to the need of immediate availability of the vehicle, motion by Warren Ploeger to accept the \$21,777.00 from Stan Boos Auto with a promise of two day delivery. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Shoemaker also reported on the Evercom Phone System installed at the Sheriff's Department.

DIRT/MUD ROADS

Commissioner Leitch discussed the problem of tracking mud onto paved roads. Jackson County will be contacted regarding their ordinance on dirt/mud roads and County Attorney Kevin Hill will be contacted regarding the enforcement of such an ordinance.

BERRY TRACTOR

Ron Karn, Berry Tractor, presented information on the purchase of an excavator. Road Foremen Herb Roland, Richard Geiger and Mel Werner and the Commissioners will review the specifications before making a decision.

NEK REGIONAL AIRPORT

Commissioner Ploeger telephoned Jan Monroe, FAA, and was assured that Brown County need not write a letter regarding the release of airspace above the Sabetha proposed regional airport. Ploeger was told the letter would be disregarded because Brown County is not a participant in the issue.

MINUTES

Motion by Steve Roberts to accept the February 27, 2004 minutes. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER/KICKAPOO MEETING

There will be a special meeting with the Kickapoo Tribal leaders on Tuesday, March 9, in the Commissioners room at 10 a.m.

APPRAISER

Tom Brown, Appraiser, reported that the Change of Value notices would be mailed today, with increases in residential and agriculture land. Also discussed was the Not for Profit exemption and the impact these properties have on the tax base.

Motion to adjourn by Warren Ploeger. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m. The next meeting will be held Friday, March 5, 2004 for canvassing the March 2, 2004 Primary Election results.