

**November 8, 2004**

**OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK**

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

**SHERIFF**

Sheriff Lamar Shoemaker reported on a vehicle fatality accident near Mercier. Shoemaker requested clarification on upcoming holiday pay, involving Christmas and New Year's Day. The Commissioners will review the holiday pay schedule and make a decision after the review. Shoemaker also reported receiving a \$7,500.00 radio installation grant.

**ROAD FOREMEN**

Road Foremen Richard Geiger and Mel Werner discussed the construction of the salt/chat storage soft-building and the location of the building at the Brown County Transfer Station.

**NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION**

Appraiser Tom Brown was present for a discussion with Rodney and Jonnette Rice, regarding a problem with their Neighborhood Revitalization plan. They felt the correct information was not given to them regarding an extension they had applied for. After reviewing the information, a motion was made by Warren Ploeger to grant an amended rebate extension on this application to August 1, 2004. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried.

**APPRAISER**

Appraiser Tom Brown discussed the support for the Appraiser's office digital mapping and software. The company currently providing support, MidKan Blueline, is discontinuing their support service. Brown is in the process of finding a new support company. He is also looking into grant funding for funding a company or an extra employee for catch-up work on the mapping.

**DISTRICT COURT**

Lela Smith, District Court Clerk, presented information on the cost of digital scanning, a software management program and three flat screen monitors. Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve Purchase Order #3693 to Laskco for \$1,290.00 for 3 flat-screen 19" monitors. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

**4-COUNTY DISTRICT COURT**

Motion by Steve Roberts to approve Purchase Order #3694 to Laskco for \$4,860.00 for the purchase of three computers for the 4-County District Court, with Brown County's share being \$1,215.00. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

**TREASURER**

Treasurer Cheryl Lippold reported the 2005 Tax Statements have been printed. The Commissioners approved the tax statements being mailed without return envelopes this year, due to the back-order of the tax envelopes.

**VENICE SLOAN**

Venice Sloan, JCAB, presented for the quarterly reports signatures. Also discussed were the reports presented last week.

**BURIED CABLE PERMIT**

Buried cable permit #04-15 for Sprint was approved and signed.

**MINUTES**

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the November 1, 2004 and November 5, 2004 minutes. Seconded by Steve

Roberts. Motion carried.

**JOINT PROCLAMATION**

A Joint Proclamation between Nemaha County and Brown County declaring the importance of the Tribal Casinos and their employment in the Counties, was approved and signed by the Commissioners. A copy of the proclamation will be sent to Nemaha County for their signatures. Other neighboring Counties will be contacted and urged to sign a similar Proclamation.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the September Health Department report. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

**BRIDGE PROJECT #7C-3856-01**

Motion by Steve Roberts to approve BG Consultants as the Engineer Selection for Bridge Project #7c-3856-01. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

**HOLIDAY PAY**

The Commissioners reviewed the Holiday pay for the upcoming holiday pay, involving Christmas and New Year's Day. The Holiday pay will be as follows: the actual paid holiday for Christmas will be December 24 and the actual paid holiday for New Year's will be December 31. Employees will be paid holiday pay for those days only. Any employee working Saturday December 25 or Saturday January 1 will be paid as usual for actual work on those days with only regular or overtime pay as applicable.

**BROWN COUNTY EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE**

Possible options for the 2005 Brown County Employee Health Insurance was discussed. The issue was tabled until the next meeting.

**BROWN COUNTY EMPLOYEE RAISES**

Motion by Steve Roberts for a 60 cent per hour raise for the 2005 year for Brown County Employees. The motion died for lack of a second. The issue was tabled until the next meeting.

Motion by Steve Roberts to adjourn. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held Monday November 15, 2004.