

**March 3, 2003**

**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, 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**

Lamar Shoemaker, Sheriff, reported that the County was approved for the \$1 per three years patrol car lease program sponsored by Government Acquisitions. The County will be responsible for insurance and maintenance. Also discussed was an early morning car chase covering over 100 miles at speeds up to 110 mph. The suspect was arrested with charges pending. Shoemaker is still working on the possible grant for overtime hours.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Steve Roberts for a 10-minute executive session on non-elected personnel with the Commissioners, Randy Jordan, Herb Roland and Mel Werner present. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried. Closed at 8:55 p.m. Opened 9:05 a.m. No binding action was taken.

**EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

Nellie Small, Emergency Preparedness Director, gave a slide presentation on Mitigation 2002. The program discussed natural, technological and man-made hazards. Small also announced the annual storm-spotters meeting will be on March 25, 2003 at the Fisher Center in Hiawatha.

**RILEY COUNTY CONNECTIONS**

Permission was granted for the Riley County Corrections office to be located in the south part of the Brown County Courthouse basement. Riley County Corrections will pay for any remodeling needed with the County providing janitorial service and utilities.

**MINUTES**

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve both the canvassing minutes and the regular minutes of February 28, 2003. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

**NOXIOUS WEED**

Motion by Steve Roberts to add Noxious Weed chemicals to the list of major expenditures not needing approval over \$500 in the 2003 Personnel Policy. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

**TREASURER**

Deborah Roland, Treasurer, and Charlene Chellew, Appraiser's Office, discussed a complaint from taxpayer Jerry Aller. Aller requested a refund on a trailer registration which he had renewed in error. Commissioner Roberts will talk with Aller.

**BACKHOE REPLACEMENT**

Steve Korth, Victor Phillips salesman, presented information on a replacement Case backhoe for the Transfer Station.

Motion by Steve Roberts to adjourn. Seconded by Glen Leitch. Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.