

October 21, 2019

The Board of Brown County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Chairman Keith Olsen, Dwight A. Kruse, and Richard L. Lehmkuhl. Also present were Brown County Clerk, Melissa Gormley, and Deputy County Clerk, Dawn Boyles. Keith Olsen opened the meeting at 8:10 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. Pastor Jim Farris led the meeting with a prayer.

MINUTES

Motion by Richard Lehmkuhl to approve the October 14, 2019, minutes. Seconded by Dwight Kruse. Motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE

The commissioners reviewed applications for the District 3 Road Foreman position.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Keith Olsen for a five minute executive session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners present to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel with executive session necessary to protect privacy interests. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Closed 8:16 a.m. Opened 8:21 a.m. No binding action was taken.

SOLID WASTE

Brown County Solid Waste Director, Charlie Brockhoff, presented the Solid Waste quarterly report to the commissioners. Brockhoff also reported on a trailer fire at the landfill on Friday, October 18, 2019.

BURIED CABLE PERMIT

Motion by Dwight Kruse to approve buried cable permits 19-06. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

SOLID WASTE

The commissioners reviewed and signed the Quarterly Tonnage Report.

COMPUTER

Brown County IT Director, Sandy Carter, presented the IT Department quarterly report to the commissioners. Carter also reported on the progress of the new county website.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Brown County Emergency Management Director, Don Pounds, presented the Emergency Department quarterly report to the commissioners.

TREASURER

Brown County Treasurer, Cheryl Lippold, presented the Treasurer’s Department quarterly report to the commissioners.

NEK AREA AGENCY ON AGING

The commissioners signed a letter of support for the Kansas Department of Transportation Grant.

REGISTER OF DEEDS

Brown County Register of Deeds, Nellie Brockhoff, presented the Register of Deeds Department quarterly report to the commissioners. Brockhoff also updated the commissioners on the filings pertaining to wind energy.

BROWN COUNTY RESIDENT

Brown County resident, Rick Clouse, discussed the proposed county wide sales tax. Clouse asked what the commissioner’s thoughts were on assessing property tax if the sales tax question did not pass in the election. All three commissioners indicated they were not interested in assessing property taxes at this time.

Motion by Dwight Kruse to adjourn. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:48 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, October 28, 2019.

ATTEST:

APPROVED BY:

MELISSA GORMLEY, COUNTY CLERK

KEITH OLSEN, CHAIRMAN

DWIGHT A. KRUSE, MEMBER

RICHARD L. LEHMKUHL, MEMBER