

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

February 24, 2014

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

PAYROLL

The February 19, 2014 payroll was approved as follows:

General	\$61,794.52
Road & Bridge	14,480.04
Election	1,465.77
Appraiser	5,218.46
Noxious Weed	1,099.19
ACC	9,921.00
JJA Core	8,392.23
ACE Fund	750.30
Services for Elderly	1,679.12
Solid Waste	2,818.26
Employee Ben FICA	6,503.68
Employee Ben KPERS	8,239.29
State Unemploy/Work Comp	-215.44
Insurance	-6,582.60
TOTAL	\$115,563.82

MINUTES

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the minutes of February 18, 2014. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 10 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners, Treasurer Cheryl Lippold, County Clerk Debbie Parker and Deputy County Clerk Marla Hathhorn present. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Closed 8:07 a.m. Opened 8:12 a.m. No binding action was taken.

TREASURER

Steve Roberts questioned Treasurer Cheryl Lippold on why Brown County does not sell commercial tags. Lippold responded that Brown County is signed up to sell commercial tags starting next year. Lippold was also questioned as to the long wait time when customers with multiple tags are served. Lippold stated the system runs slow.

ARROW THEATER PROPOSAL

Steve Roberts discussed the Arrow Theater Proposal. Roberts stated he is not usually in favor of municipal owned businesses but feels that if Hiawatha would lose the theater, they will never get another one back. Roberts feels it would be a good draw from area towns. If the proposal is put on the ballot and passes, the County has been asked to donate time to prepare the ground for the new theater construction site. Warren Ploeger would like to see more details on the plan before committing.

APPRAISER

Appraiser Paula Jones presented information on the R&S Digital map maintenance and GIS annual contract at a cost of \$6,265.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Steve Roberts for a 10 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners and Appraiser Paula Jones present. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. Closed 8:42 a.m. Opened 8:51 a.m. No binding action was taken.

DARYLL JAMVOLD

Daryll Jamvold, President of Alfred O Jamvold, Inc, discussed constructing three water retention structures for water storage and using it for agricultural crop irrigation. This would require the raising 150th Street to prevent flooding; he has already spoken with Washington Township. Jamvold requested that the County allow him to remove a box and replace it with a tube, at his own cost. This would handle the volume of water released from a dam in the area. Warren Ploeger suggested that the Commissioners should visit the area before taking action on the request.

TREASURER

Treasurer Cheryl Lippold reported back on the previous discussion in this meeting regarding a long customer wait when buying multiple tags. Lippold wanted to clarify that additional help had been provided with the multiple tags with one clerk offering to drop the tags off at the customer's house after hours.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Eric Oldham, Historical Society Director, reported on wind damage to the Brown County Historical Society roof during the storm on February 21, 2014. Oldham received an estimate of \$1,500 to \$2,000 on damage repairs. The insurance is through Brown County with a \$500 deductible. Debbie Parker will call KCAMP with the damage report. Oldham also reported on a Traveling Exhibit called the Bison American Icon with a Family Fun Day on April 12, Oldham requested the use of the Courthouse grounds. Permission was granted.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REQUESTS

The Hiawatha Chamber of Commerce requested the use of the Courthouse Grounds on the following four dates: The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday April 19, 2014; Bike Across Kansas will be held on June 13, 2014; the Maple Leaf Festival will be held on October 4, 2014, and the 100th Halloween Parade will be held on October 31, 2014. They are requesting the Courthouse restrooms and electricity be provided for the last three events. Motion by Warren Ploeger to grant the four requests. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

ROAD FOREMAN

Road Foreman Herb Roland discussed signage for Brown County roads.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to adjourn. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m. The next meeting will be held on Friday February 28, 2014, to approve the month end bills.