

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK

August 25, 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 Clerks Marla Hathhorn and Melissa Thorson. County Attorney Kevin Hill was present for a portion of the meeting.

Keith Olsen opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

PAYROLL

The August 20, 2014 payroll was approved as follows:

General	\$56,637.35
Road & Bridge	12,920.10
Election	1,572.08
Appraiser	5,287.09
Noxious Weed	1,489.00
ACC	7,969.67
JJA Core	8,451.83
ACE Fund	750.30
Services for Elderly	2,308.88
Solid Waste	2,379.63
Special MVT	2,445.53
Employee Ben FICA	6,269.88
Employee Ben KPERS	7,632.85
State Unemploy/Work Comp	-206.13
Insurance	-6,132.89
TOTAL	\$109,775.17

MINUTES

Motion by Warren Ploeger to approve the August 18, 2014 minutes. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

TAX CHANGE ORDERS

Tax change orders #2013-147 and 148 were approved and signed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 5 minute Executive Session on pending litigation with the 3 Commissioners and County Attorney Kevin Hill present. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Closed 8:03 a.m. Opened 8:08 a.m. No binding action was taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 15 minute Executive Session on attorney-client privilege with the 3 Commissioners and County Attorney Kevin Hill present. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Closed 8:09 a.m. Opened 8:24 a.m. No binding action was taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Warren Ploeger for a 10 minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the 3 Commissioners, County Attorney Kevin Hill and James Schuetz present. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried. Closed 8:25 a.m. Opened 8:34 a.m.

JAMES SCHUETZ REINSTATEMENT

Motion by Keith Olsen to reinstate James Schuetz as the Horton Taxi Driver for the Services for Elderly. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

HORTON SENIOR CITIZENS TAXI

Donna Bottom, Horton, read a petition from the citizens of Horton asking that James Schuetz be reinstated as Horton Taxi Driver. Numerous Horton residents were present.

KIDNEY DIALYSIS

Kenny Molt, Horton resident, expressed his concern regarding the closing of the kidney dialysis treatment center in Hiawatha.

His brother requires the treatment and Molt inquired whether the County could provide transportation to other dialysis treatment centers.

2015 BROWN COUNTY BUDGET HEARING

Jim Scherer, CPA, discussed the 2015 Brown County Budget Hearing, which is set at \$9.2 million. The assessed valuation of Brown County continues to rise.

Motion by Warren Ploeger to accept the 2015 Brown County Budget as published. Seconded by Steve Roberts. Motion carried.

ATTORNEY FLAT FEE CONTRACTS

Motion by Steve Roberts to approve the attorney flat fee contract of Delaney Law Office and Herbster Law Office for \$2,800 per month each. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

Motion by Steve Roberts to approve the attorney flat fee contract of Finley, Miller, Cashman & Schmitt, LLP for \$1,250 per month. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

BG CONSULTANTS

Tom Bennett, BG Consultants, presented an update on the Bridge Project #7C-0072-01 bid letting near Hamlin. The low bid from Midwest Construction at \$424,329.07 was accepted by the State. Bennett discussed signage on Brown County roads. Bennett questioned whether signage in the small towns and reservations needed to be included by Brown County.

County Clerk Debbie Parker reported that the firm doing the random re-inspection of the bi-annual bridge inspection done by BG Consultants, has recommended that Bridge FAS33 should be re-rated due to safety concerns.

MATALONE INSURANCE

John Matalone, Matalone Insurance, discussed possible changes and trends for the 2015 Brown County employee insurance.

RDA

Nancy Gafford, Rural Development Association, presented the Brown/Nemaha Counties Solid Waste Disposal Plan that has been approved by the State of Kansas. Gafford asked what would be happening to the Household Hazardous Waste Program in Brown County. The Commissioners replied that the cost was too great for the low volume of waste turned in to Brown County.

RESOLUTION #2014-12

Motion by Steve Roberts to accept Resolution #2014-12, which approves the taxation policy for the 2015 Budget. Seconded by Warren Ploeger. Motion carried.

Motion by Steve Roberts to adjourn. Seconded Warren Ploeger. Motion carried. Closed 10:45 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held Friday August 29, 2014, to approve the month end checks.