

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

July 21, 2014

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on July 21, 2014 with all three commissioners present. Chairman Krehbiel called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

1. Commissioner Krehbiel stated that he traveled on NW 12th St after it was resurfaced and commented that the road was smooth and looked good.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. All three Commissioners and their spouses will attend the 4-H picnic to be held at Athletic Park on July 22.
2. Commissioner Krehbiel has a Harvey/McPherson County Community Corrections meeting at noon on Wednesday, July 23.

Minutes of the July 14, 2014 Commission meeting and the July 15, 2014 budget work session were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Commissioner Hague. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Anthony Swartzendruber, Assistant Administrator, informed the commission that the Parks Director position was ready to post to HRE Partners to begin receiving applications for the open position. The commissioners agreed to proceed with posting the position.
2. Anthony presented a report of the sales tax collections for July. He stated that year to date sales tax collections are up from last year.
3. Anthony and Gina Bell, Planning & Zoning Director, presented a recommendation for appointment to the Harvey County Regional Planning Commission for Carol Buller. Carol would replace Bill Wilson whose term expired. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to waive the second reading and appoint Carol Buller to the Harvey County Regional Planning Commission for the term of July 21, 2014 to March 22, 2017 and authorize the chair to sign the appointment. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
4. Byron Warta reported that the floors are being poured at the airport.
5. Gina Bell, Planning & Zoning Director reported that cost-share monies for sewer updates are being quickly depleted. The program allows up to \$1,500 per site.
6. Sheriff T. Walton reported that they are working on the PREA compliance through the KS Department of Corrections. He also stated that the Detention Center is in the process of hiring a detention deputy.
7. Jim Meier, Road & Bridge Superintendent, reported that the mill and overlay project on 1st Street is completed, the 12th Street project is about ½ done, and the Dutch Avenue project is next.
8. Rick Piepho, Deputy County Clerk, reported that early voting for the August 5 Primary Election starts tomorrow, July 22 in the Courthouse Community Room.

CITIZENS FORUM:

There were no items presented during Citizen's Forum.

Warrant checks in the amount of \$127,412.84 and hand checks in the amount of \$213,508.93 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Hague, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously.

Gina Bell, Planning & Zoning Director explained the changes proposed to be made in **Resolution No. 2014-19**, a resolution amending the Harvey County Uniform Development Code; article 15; Floodplain Development Overlay District. She stated that the changes are to the new map numbers and FIS dated August 4, 2014 in sections 15.02 & 15.04. Commissioner Hague made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2014-19**. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. The resolution shall become effective upon publication in the Newton Kansan.

Anthony presented the notice of budget hearing. The budget hearing is scheduled for August 5, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. Anthony explained that the final budget includes \$9,828,097 in taxes levied, an estimated .656 mill increase from last year. He stated that the reasons for the increase are reductions in income from changes to the mortgage registration fees and taxes on watercraft and increased expenses for an additional assistant county attorney to help with the case load, personnel changes in the Sheriff's Dept. and adding a radio technician for the upcoming 800 Mhz conversion. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to approve and publish the Notice of Budget Hearing. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Anthony and Becky Fields, County Treasurer, presented the proposed Harvey County Investment Policy. The proposed policy delegates the authority jointly to the Treasurer and the Assistant County Administrator/Director of Finance. The general objectives of the policy shall be to safeguard the county funds, liquidity, return on investment, and promotion of Harvey County financial institutions. Commissioner Hague made a motion to adopt the Harvey County Investment Policy with the deletion of "(c)" after the KSA number in section IX. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

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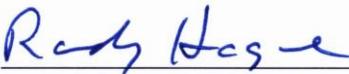
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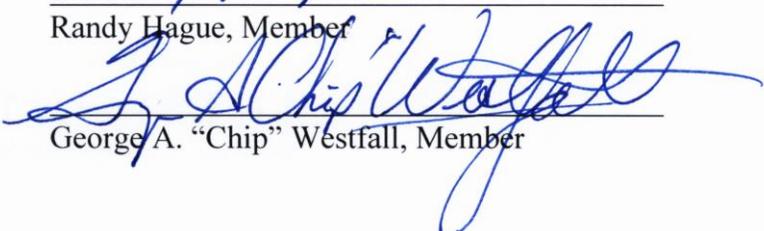
Joyce Truskett, County Clerk



Ron Krehbiel, Chairperson



Randy Hague, Member



George A. "Chip" Westfall, Member