

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

April 6, 2015

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on April 6, 2015 with all three commissioners present. Chairman Hague called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

There were no items added to the agenda.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. Commissioner Westfall stated that the Kansas County Commissioners Association conference is scheduled for May 5-7 at the Doubletree in Wichita.

Minutes of the March 30, 2015 Commission regular meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Hague. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. John Waltner, Administrator, stated that lobbyist Bernie Koch will give a legislative update and Don Gruver will report on the progress of the 800 Mhz radio project at the Council of Governments meeting on Wednesday morning.
2. John presented a letter in support of Kansas Christian Homes' tax credit application for a construction project. The letter states that the Harvey County Commission supports the use of tax credits for such projects as made available by the Kansas Department of Commerce. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to support Kansas Christian Homes' tax credit application. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. The letter was signed and sent to the Kansas Department of Commerce.
3. John reported that Westar scheduled the splice upgrade/repair near the Library to begin this week. They will inform the county when the power is scheduled to be disconnected to the courthouse to complete the repair.
4. Lon Buller, Emergency Management Director, reported on the storm damage that occurred last Thursday night. He informed the commission that almost all of the power is back on in the county. He stated that a bow echo formed over Newton and Harvey County that produced microbursts and strong winds. He stated that storm damage was spotty and scattered in the county with the majority occurring in the City of Newton. The worst damage in Newton was to the Library, Midway Motors, Lupe's restaurant and the old ALCO building along with scattered tree damage and fallen power lines. He also reported that a mobile home was flipped or rolled in the southeast part of the county with some injuries to the residents. He stated that with the majority of the damage incurred at insured properties that a local disaster declaration will not be applied for.
5. Lynnette Redington, Director of the Health Department, presented a Healthy Communities Initiative Funding Support letter for a grant application to the Kansas Health Foundation. The letter states that the Harvey County Board of Health will commit an in-kind match of \$11,008.00 for the Healthy Harvey Coalition's

- implementation grant for year 2. The in-kind match includes office space and a portion of the Coordinator's salary. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to commit to the match and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
6. John presented a Proclamation designating April 7, 2015 as National Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service. The proclamation sets a day to thank volunteers and those who serve and find ways to give back to their communities. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to proclaim April 7, 2015 as National Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service and thereby encourage residents to recognize to positive impact of national service in our cities and within our county. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. The proclamation was signed by the commissioners and also by Halstead Mayor, William Ewert.
 7. Sheriff T Walton reported that the Highway Drug Interdiction Team seized more drugs and weapons over the weekend. He also reported that Lon Buller, Don Gruver and himself worked together to prioritize the many calls that were received during and after the storm last Thursday night.
 8. Jim Meier, Road & Bridge Superintendent, reported that his department was very busy last Thursday night, during and after the storm, responding to requests for barricades and replacing stop signs. He thanked the Noxious Weed Department for helping to fill and deliver sand bags.
 9. Kass Miller, Director of Parks, reported that the Easter Egg Hunt held on Saturday at Camp Hawk was very successful with approximately 200-250 children attending.
 10. Anthony Swartzendruber stated the he is still compiling a list of damages incurred at the courthouse from the storm. He reported that an air conditioning unit on the detention center was blown over and damaged, some fan covers were blown off and a window was blown out of a Planning and Zoning vehicle.
 11. Rick Piepho, County Clerk, stated that tomorrow, April 7 is Election Day and polls will be open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. The canvass is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on April 13 before the regular commission meeting.

CITIZENS FORUM:

There were no items presented during Citizen's Forum.

Warrant checks in the amount of \$106,358.27 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously.

Jim Meier and Keith Ayotte, MKEC Engineering, Inc. representative, presented the proposed invitation to bidders for Harvey County Bridge 20-Q.9 Replacement. The advertisement for bid includes the removal of bridge number 20-Q.9 and replacement with a new structure consisting of 3 10'x6' reinforced concrete box bridges. Bids are due by 10:00 a.m. on May 1 and will be opened at 11:00 a.m. on May 4. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to approve and send the invitation to bid for the replacement of bridge number 20-Q.9. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Jim reported that no bids were received from the invitation to bidders for a 2 Year Mowing Contract for 240 miles of County Road Right-of-Way. He stated that either the bid requests should be revised to

divide the mowing into areas or the Road & Bridge department will need to continue to do the work. He reported that if the work is not contracted some new equipment will need to be purchased or leased. He stated that a tractor with a mower deck or a truck mounted beam mower will be needed; he is looking into a Mulag 600 truck mounted mowing system.

Jim Meier presented the proposed invitation to bidders for a new Motor Grader for the Road & Bridge Department. The invitation includes the trade-in of a 1993 John Deere 770BH Motor Grader. Bids are due by 4:00 p.m. on April 24 and will be opened at 10:15 a.m. on April 27. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve and send the invitation to bid for a new Motor Grader. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Kass Miller opened the bids for Contract Mowing and Trimming for the 2015 mowing season for Harvey County Parks & Recreation. Unruh Mowing was the only company to submit a bid, \$3,500 total cost per cycle; \$1,000 per cycle for West Park, \$2,000 per cycle for East Park and \$500 per cycle for Camp Hawk. The bid is for mowing and trimming 200 total acres at the 3 park locations on a 10-14 day cycle priced per cycle. Kass stated that approximately 12 cycles would be needed. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to accept the bid of \$3,500 per cycle from Unruh Mowing for Contract Mowing and Trimming for the 2015 mowing season for Harvey County Parks & Recreation and authorizing staff to adjust the number of cycles as necessary. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Rex Yohn, Harvey County Weed Director, opened the bids for herbicides for noxious weed control. The bids are for 3 different chemicals, grouped by item, in various container sizes for 1,381 total gallons. The bid results are:

ITEM	HERBICIDE	SIZE	GALLONS REQ	Van Diest	Sims Fert. & Chem.	Wilbur-Ellis	Farm Kan	Red River Spec.
1	2,4-D Amine	1 gallon	8	\$100.72	\$107.20	\$120.32	\$108.00	\$119.92
	2,4-D Amine	2x2-1/2 gallon	540	\$5,988.60	\$5,983.20	\$6,409.80	\$6,750.00	\$6,037.20
	2,4-D Amine	30 gallon	30	\$332.70	\$331.50	\$345.90	\$375.00	\$332.70
	2,4-D Amine	55 gallon	605	\$6,588.45	\$6,685.25	NA	NA	NA
Item #1 Total				\$13,010.47	\$13,107.15	NA	NA	NA
2	2,4-D Amine LV	1 gallon	8	\$133.92	\$131.60	NA	\$120.00	NA
	2,4-D Amine LV	2x2-1/2 gallon	60	\$986.40	\$927.00	\$939.60	\$1,230.00	\$993.00
Item #2 Total				\$1,120.32	\$1,058.60	NA	\$1,350.00	NA
3	Tordon 22K	2x2-1/2 gallon	130	\$5,985.20	\$6,500.00	\$6,623.50	\$7,491.90	\$6,107.40
Shipping				>\$500 - Free	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$
Delivery	Days to HV Noxious Weed			2 to 3 days	1 day	5 days	5 days	days

Commissioner Westfall made a motion to award the bid to Van Diest for item #1 for \$13,010.47 total & item #3 for \$5,985.20 total and award the bid to Sims Fertilizer & Chemical for item #2 for \$1,058.60 total. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

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ATTEST:

Rick Piepho
Rick Piepho, County Clerk

Randy Hague
Randy Hague, Chairperson

Ron Krehbiel
Ron Krehbiel, Member

George A. "Chip" Westfall
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