

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

March 9, 2015

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on March 9, 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. The Council of Governments meeting will be held Wednesday March 11 at 7:00 a.m. at the Breadbasket.

Minutes of the March 2, 2015 Commission regular meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. John Waltner, Administrator, submitted a letter of opposition regarding HB 2296, requiring an election to issue PBC bonds. The letter would be sent to Representative Tom Phillips and the local legislators. The letter proposes compromises suggested by the KAC to reduce the petition requirement, increase the petition days and tie the aggregate amount of a county's PBC revenue bonds to an agreed percentage of the total county valuation. The commissioners signed the letter and directed that it be sent.
2. John reported that he and Gina Bell attended an air quality summit last week at Botanica. He stated that the Wichita area is very close to being out of attainment in regards to EPA ozone standards. He stated that Harvey County as part of the MSA may be designated as out of attainment.
3. John presented a proposed resolution and support letter for the development of U.S Bicycle Route 76 which passes east and west through Harvey County. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2015-07**, supporting the development and designation of U.S Bicycle Route 76 through Harvey County. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
4. John distributed pictures of the bridge that was damaged by an overweight vehicle. The vehicle owner has agreed to split the cost of the damages.
5. John reported that the annual WORKS conference will be held March 31-April 2.
6. Kass Miller, Director of Parks, reported that there were about 150 disc golfers at Camp Hawk over the weekend. He also reported that there were a number of campers at both East & West parks due to the nice weather.
7. Roy Patton, Solid Waste Director, presented information about a used 2004 Ottawa spotting tractor that is available for \$25,500 from Jim Hawk Truck Trailers, Inc. in Kansas City. The vehicle is in good condition with 21,744 hrs and 81,438 miles. The spotting tractor is needed for use at the landfill and is included in the budget for 2015 for \$30,000. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to waive the purchasing policy and authorize the purchase of the 2004 Ottawa spotting tractor for \$25,500 upon inspection

- and approval by the Solid Waste Director. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
8. Roy also reported that grinder operator Calvin Carr is training to fill the position in the scale house being vacated upon the retirement of Larry Buller. They will advertise the opening available for the grinder operator position.
 9. Anthony Swartzendruber reported on the status of courthouse upgrades. He stated that one of the west entrance doors is now open, the ceiling grid and lighting have been installed in the community room, phone wiring should be done today and duct work is continuing on the 2nd floor. He also stated that all of the door locks are being transitioned to electronic locks that will utilize employee badges for entry, but the system to create and maintain the badges has not yet been delivered.

CITIZENS FORUM:

There were no items presented during Citizen's Forum.

Warrant checks in the amount of \$125,790.68 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Motion passed unanimously.

Lynnette Redington, Director of the Health Department, presented the annual grant summary. The summary shows the total amount of grants being requested from KDHE is \$164,667.63 plus an unknown amount for Public Health Emergency Preparedness. The Public Health Emergency Preparedness grant amount is unknown until the federal funding for this program is established. Lynnette reported that the amount requested for the Chronic Disease Risk Reduction program has been increased due to more funds being available. She stated that these grants require a 40% county match, which is included in the 2015 budget. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve the grant application and authorize the chair to sign. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Gina Bell, Planning & Zoning Director, presented maps showing address assignments for structures in the Harvey County Parks and proposed road names for unnamed roads at East Park. She stated that naming the roads and assigning addresses would assist 911 in emergency responses. The address assignments and names were agreed to by Kass Miller, Parks Director and Don Gruver, Communications Director. They proposed naming 3 roads at East Park: 1) Coronado Drive for the north-south road to swimming area #1 in the Willow Bend area; 2) Campers Row for the north-south road south of NE 12th St. through the Campers Row area past Volunteer Hall and swimming area #2; 3) Bluestem Way for the north-south road south of NE 12th St. through the Bluestem area and past swimming area #3. Pursuant to K.S.A. 19-2961(d), Commissioner Westfall made a motion to name the three roads at East Park as requested. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Jim Meier, Road & Bridge Superintendent, and MKEC representative Keith Ayotte opened the bids for the 2015 Contracted Pavement Improvement Plan. The first project is for 19.50 miles of Hot-in-Place Recycle (HIPR) with mastic seal on sections of four different roads. The second project is for 1.53 miles of Hot Mix Asphalt (1.5" overlay) on SW 14th St. The bids include alternate pricing for projects in the City of Sedgwick to be paid for by the City of Sedgwick. One bid was submitted for the HIPR program from Dustrol, Inc. for \$1,542,760.30 base bid and \$1,681,814.30 base plus alternate. Two

companies submitted bids for the HMA program: 1) APAC – Kansas Inc., \$171,107.00 base bid and \$269,598.00 base plus alternate; 2) Cornejo & Sons, \$230,200.00 base bid and \$350,400.00 base plus alternate. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to accept the bid for the HIPR program from Dustrol, Inc. for base bid price of \$1,542,760.30 with the alternate price subject to approval by the City of Sedgwick. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to accept the bid for the HMA program from APAC – Kansas Inc., for base bid price of \$171,107.00 with the alternate price subject to approval by the City of Sedgwick. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Jim reported that he explored the possibility of splitting the road patching crew, but there is not enough equipment available to accommodate two crews simultaneously. He stated that the one patching crew may have to work some longer days to get all of the scheduled work done. They will begin patching today. He also stated the bridge replacement on S. West Rd. north of SW 48th St is scheduled to begin next week and that he has sent letters to the homeowners involved.

At 11:30 a.m. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to go into executive session for a period of 20 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel and privileged information. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Also present for the session were John Waltner, Anthony Swartzendruber, and Rick Piepho. Executive session ended at 11:50 a.m. with no action being taken.

John reported that the position of Solid Waste Director was offered to Rollin Schmidt and he agreed to accept the position. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to appoint Rollin Schmidt as Solid Waste Director with a beginning salary of \$62,000 per year. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

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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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