

**MINUTES OF**  
**BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**April 4, 2016**

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on April 4, 2016 with all three commissioners present. Chairman Westfall called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:**

1. There were no items added to the agenda.

**CALENDAR ITEMS:**

1. A Domestic Violence training session is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on April 19 in the courthouse community room.
2. An Aviation Commission meeting is scheduled for April 18.

Minutes of the March 28 Commission regular meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Hague, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Motion passed unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**

1. John Waltner, Administrator, reported that Personal Safety & Situational Awareness training sessions will be held at 8:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on April 29 in the Courthouse Community Room.
2. CASA representative Bill Reynolds and representatives from Heart-to-Heart and DCF presented a Proclamation In Recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month. They stated the importance of continuous efforts to prevent child abuse. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to proclaim the month of April 2016 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Harvey County. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
3. Harvey County Safe House representative Jessica Taylor presented a Sexual Assault Awareness Month Proclamation. She distributed packets that included information about the services provided by the Harvey County Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Task Force, Inc. (Safe House). She also reported that paper shirts with messages from victims and community members are hanging in the hall of the courthouse as part of the national Clothesline Project. She reported that services were provided to over 1409 victims of domestic violence or sexual assault in the last 12 months. Commissioner Hague made a motion to proclaim the month of April 2016 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Harvey County. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
4. Mary Adams, RSVP Coordinator, presented a Proclamation designating April 5, 2016 as National Mayor and County Recognition Day for National Service. The proclamation sets a day to thank volunteers and those who serve and find ways to give back to their communities. Newton Mayor Glen Davis and North Newton Mayor Ron Braun were in attendance. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to proclaim April 5, 2016 as National Service Recognition Day and thereby encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our cities and within our county. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

5. Jim Meier, Road & Bridge Superintendent, presented a proposal for MKEC to perform the biennial bridge inspection for the county. There are 278 structures to be inspected and the proposed cost is \$135 per structure or \$37,530 total. In 2014, the cost was \$135 per structure and in 2012 the cost was \$122.18 per structure. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve the biennial bridge inspection by MKEC for \$37,530. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
6. Kass Miller, Director of Parks, reported that Conquer the Gauntlet has begun setting up for the obstacle course event to be held at East Park on April 16, 2016.
7. Gary Denny, Emergency Management Director, reported that the installation of the new generator for Emergency Management and the Law Enforcement Center is almost complete. He also reported that the second meeting of the active shooter focus group has been moved to June 1.
8. Anthony Swartzendruber, Assistant Administrator & Finance Director, presented the sales tax collections report for March. Collections for the month are down a little from last year but the quarter to date collections are in line with the past few years. He reminded the commission that the collections last February were higher than normal due to an anomaly.
9. Rick Piepho, County Clerk, reported that Randy Hague has filed as a Republican candidate for Harvey County Commission District 2.

**CITIZENS FORUM:**

There were no items presented during Citizen’s Forum.

Warrant checks in the amount of \$72,248.86 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Hague. Motion passed unanimously.

Brian Palmer, Newton City/County Airport Manager, presented a report of the activities and finances of the Newton City/County Airport for 2015. He reported that they stayed within budget for the year, but expenses slightly exceeded revenues. He stated that upgrades were made to the fuel farm and the electrical systems in two hangars during the last year.

Anthony and Rex Yohn, Noxious Weed Director, opened the bids for Herbicides for Noxious Weed Control. The bids are for 4 different chemicals, grouped by item, in various container sizes for 1,114 total gallons. Rex reported that the invitation to bid was sent to multiple vendors; two bids were returned prior to the deadline. The bid results are:

ITEM	HERBICIDE	SIZE	GALLONS REQ	Van Diest		Crop Production Services (CPS)	
1	2,4-D Amine	2x2-1/2 gallon	540	9.83/gal	\$5,308.20	9.76/gal	\$5,270.40
	2,4-D Amine	55 gallon	440	9.53/gal	\$4,193.20	9.64/gal	\$4,241.60
2	Remedy Ultra	4x1 gallon	8	47.49/gal	\$379.92	47.89/gal	\$383.12
3	Plateau	2x1 gallon	6	107.09/gal	\$642.54	109.00/gal	\$654.00
4	Tordon 22K	2x2-1/2 gallon	120	45.94/gal	\$5,512.80	47.29/gal	\$5,674.80
<b>Shipping</b>				>\$25 – Free		\$0	
Delivery	Days to HV Noxious Weed			2 to 3 days		7 days	
<b>Grand Total Bid</b>				<b>\$16,036.66</b>		<b>\$16,223.92</b>	

Commissioner Hague made a motion to accept the bids for Herbicides for Noxious Weed Control and award the contract for all four types of herbicides to Van Diest for \$16,036.66 total. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

At 10:40 a.m. the commissioners left the courthouse to conduct a fence viewing at 5827 S. Ridge Rd. that was requested by Brad Mosiman. No action was taken during the viewing.

The meeting was adjourned at noon.

BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



ATTEST:

*Rick Piepho*  
Rick Piepho, County Clerk

*George A. "Chip" Westfall*  
George A. "Chip" Westfall, Chairperson

*Randy Hague*  
Randy Hague, Member

*Ron Krehbiel*  
Ron Krehbiel, Member