

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
June 26, 2017

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on June 26, 2017 with all three commissioners present. Chairman Krehbiel called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

1. Commissioner Westfall reported that he received a call from a resident who reported noticing some vandalism at one of the parks. Kass Miller, Director of Parks, stated that some vandalism occurs regularly in the bathrooms and a few other areas, but it is difficult to catch the perpetrators.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. A regional transportation plan meeting is scheduled on Thursday, June 29 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Barn in Burrton. The commissioners are invited to attend this meeting to discuss regional transportation priorities and strategies included in the 2017 REAP Work Plan.
2. Commissioner Westfall reported that the REAP Executive Committee meeting on July 13 has been rescheduled for July 6th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Wichita. He also stated that a REAP full membership meeting is scheduled for July 20.

Minutes of the June 19 & 20 Commission meetings were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Commissioner Hague. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Anthony Swartzendruber, Administrator, reported that Harvey County Free Fair parade is scheduled for August 5. The commissioners agreed that they would like to have a vehicle in the parade again this year. A reservation will be made on their behalf.
2. Anthony presented copies of a Notice of Public Hearing from Reno County for the hearing that is scheduled for July 5 at 9 a.m. to consider replacement or permanent closure of Woodberry Road Bridge 25.68 over the Little Arkansas River. This bridge is on the county line, but is a Reno County structure.
3. Anthony presented copies of a request from KDOT for input regarding their policies related to local consultation. KDOT has reviewed and updated the processes used to gather and evaluate input from local officials related to transportation projects. They are required by federal regulations to review the plan every 5 years. A draft copy of the updated policy is included with the request.
4. Anthony presented copies of some information that was sent by Council of Governments representative Willis Heck including the announcement that Harvey County Commissioner Randy Hague is scheduled to chair the organization for the next year beginning with the September meeting. Willis also provided copies of Kansas Transportation by the Numbers prepared by TRIP and Kansas Speaks, a public opinion survey conducted by Fort Hays State University.
5. A Recommendation for Appointment was presented for consideration to re-appoint Ron Krehbiel to the Harvey/McPherson County Community Corrections Advisory Board. Commissioner Hague made a motion to waive the second reading and approve the re-appointment of Ron Krehbiel to the HMCCC Advisory Board for the term 7-1-2017 to 7-1-2020 and authorize the chairman to sign. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
6. A Recommendation for Appointment for K. Rosella Arellano to the Harvey/Marion County CDDO was presented for consideration. The CDDO recommends appointing K. Rosella to fill the Harvey County resident position currently held by Craig Simons

- whose term expires on June 30. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to waive the second reading and appoint K. Rosella Arellano to the Harvey/Marion County CDDO for the term 7-1-2017 to 6-30-2020 and authorize the chair to sign. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
7. Commissioner Hague made a motion to approve an Employee Agreement with Craig Clough and reappoint him as the Appraiser for Harvey County for a period of four years, beginning on July 1, 2017. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Mr. Clough has served as the appraiser since 1997.
 8. Kass Miller reported that the parks were busy over the weekend and that the horse scavenger hunt at East Park and the open mic music fest at West Park were both well attended and successful events.
 9. Gary Denny, Emergency Management Director, reported that he will be conducting a PIO class with KDEM this week. Gary also stated that two permits have been issued so far for fireworks displays in the county and that the discharge of fireworks in the county will only be allowed July 1-4 from 8 a.m. to midnight each day.
 10. Sheriff Chad Gay reported that two officers will patrol East Park on bicycles over the July 4 holiday weekend.
 11. Counselor Greg Nye presented copies of some of the legal documentation to complete the tax foreclosure sale.
 12. Dan Bronson, Assistant County Administrator/Finance Director, reported that he and Sheriff Gay met with the City of Newton Public Works Director to discuss the possible changes or remodeling plans at the Law Enforcement Center.

CITIZENS FORUM:

There were no items presented during Citizen's Forum.

Warrant checks in the amount of \$40,118.57 total were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Commissioner Hague. Motion passed unanimously.

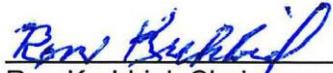
Gina Bell, Planning, Zoning & Environmental Director, presented Resolution 2017-12 for consideration. This resolution changes the zoning classification for a 73 acre tract of land at 8524 W. Dutch Ave. from an A-1, Agricultural to an R-S, Rural Single Family zoning district. She presented information about the tract and stated that the Planning and Zoning Board approved this action. A discussion was held about the platting of this property to split into parcels smaller than 40 acres. Commissioner Hague made a motion to abolish the 40 acre rule and replace it with a 5 acre rule, the motion was not seconded. Commissioner Westfall stated that the Planning and Zoning Board is currently in the process of reviewing the 40 rule, but is not considering eliminating it. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to approve **Resolution 2017-12** as presented. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed 2-1 with Commissioners Westfall and Krehbiel voting yea and Commissioner Hague voting nay.

Anthony presented a Notice of Budget Hearing for the public budget hearing regarding the 2018 Harvey County budget. The published budget sets a maximum ad valorem tax levy of \$12,462,530 for the county for budget year 2018. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to publish the Notice of Budget Hearing to be held at 10:00 a.m. on July 10. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Anthony stated that July 24 is scheduled for the adoption of the budget.

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

BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS





Ron Krehbiel, Chairperson



Randy Hague, Member



George A. "Chip" Westfall, Member

ATTEST:



Rick Piepho, County Clerk