

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

**July 16, 2007**

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on July 16, 2007 with all three Commissioners present. Chairman Westfall called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. at a breakfast meeting with Farm Bureau. The Board discussed the proposed ethanol plant near Newton, and managing growth in the unincorporated areas of Harvey County.

**ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:**

1. The ICM sponsored tour of the Garnett Ethanol Plant has been rescheduled for August rather than June.
2. Commissioner Westfall talked with Senator Carolyn McGinn at the Chamber Partnership and Government meeting and learned that she is a member of a state EMS committee. She was unaware of the EMS problems in Sedgwick, Halstead, and Burrton. The committee that has formed for the proposed new ambulance district for these areas will get in touch with her.
3. The fire and ambulance department in Halstead received a grant of a Polaris 6-wheel drive vehicle from the smokeless tobacco organization. This was one of 67 grants that were awarded from 2000 applications.

The minutes of the July 9, 2007 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Roberson. Passed unanimously.

**CALENDAR:**

1. The next CDDO meeting will be held on August 6 at 3:00 p.m. in the Courthouse Community Room. The Chairman for the new CDDO is Virgil Penner, Vice Chairman is Randy Dalke, and Marge Roberson is Secretary/Treasurer.
2. The annual Harvey County Fair Parade will be held on August 4, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**

1. Instead of attending the ICM sponsored tour, the Harvey County Planning Commission will take the County van and tour the Garnett Ethanol Plant on a different date.
2. Craig Simons presented the July valuations from the County Clerk for the year 2007. There is a valuation increase of \$9,985,043, which is 4.374054%.
3. The minimum wage will increase from \$5.15 to \$5.85 per hour on July 24, 2007. It will increase to \$6.55 per hour in July of 2008, and \$7.85 per hour on July 24, 2009. The increase will affect the election workers pay.
4. Brown and Brown Contractors have notified counties that they have started another recycling project for Sedgwick County. They will be processing cold asphalt mix at Sedgwick County's West Yard and they will have cold in-place

recycling in multiple locations across Sedgwick County. This process will add 10% new crushed limestone into 2 inches of recycled asphalt. Both processes save counties 30 to 70% over traditional cold or hot mix overlays.

5. Commissioner Roberson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a letter of support for the grant application submitted by the Harvey County Historical Museum and Archives to the Wichita Greyhound Charities Inc. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
6. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the overlay project on Burmac Rd. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

#### **CITIZEN'S FORUM:**

No citizens were present for citizen s forum.

Warrant checks were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Roberson, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Passed unanimously.

Joyce Truskett, Harvey County Clerk, presented the 2008 proposed budget for the Clerk and Election offices. The Commission will take the budgets under advisement.

T. W. Anderson, Manager of the Newton City/County Airport, presented the 2008 proposed Airport budget. The Commission will take the budget under advisement.

Richard Denno, Jim Schwartz and Lisa Stockebrand presented the proposed 2008 budget for the Harvey County Fair Board. The Commission will take the budget under advisement.

Craig Clough, Appraiser, presented the proposed 2008 Appraiser s budget. The Commission will take the budget under advisement.

The Commission recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

After reconvening at 1:00 p.m., Rich Hanley, Director of Department on Aging, presented the proposed 2008 Senior Services Budget. Representatives from the Burrton Senior Center, Newton Public Library Enlite Program, Halstead Sixty Plus Club, Hesston Area Senior Center, Newton Area Senior Center, Newton Meals on Wheels, Sedgwick Senior Center, and the Senior Center Association presented their budget requests. Jeanie Flaming, Director of Transportation, presented the proposed 2008 Transportation budget. The Commission will take the budget requests under advisement.

Sharon Arellano, Director of Data Processing, presented the proposed 2008 Data Processing Budget. The Commissioners will take the proposed budget under advisement.

Phil Adams, Superintendent of Road & Bridge, presented the proposed 2008 budget for Road & Bridge. The Commission will take the proposed budget under advisement.

Mr. Adams presented a proposal for a backhoe machine from Sellers Equipment Company. The backhoe has been used as a demo machine and has approximately 52 hours on it. Commissioner Roberson made a motion to authorize the purchase of an in stock JCB4CX-15 backhoe for \$87,350. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Marion Rowland, Director of Parks; Ryan Rohr, Superintendent at East Lake and Camp Hawk; Lloyd Stoddard, Superintendent of Harvey County West Park; Susan Dixon, East Lake Bait Shop Manager; and Larry Smith, representative of the Park Board, presented the proposed 2008 budget for Harvey County Parks. The Commissioners will take the proposed budget under advisement.

Commissioner Roberson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:30 p.m. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

#### BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Chairman

ATTEST:

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Member

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County Clerk

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Member