

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

**March 12, 2007**

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on March 12, 2007 with all three Commissioners present. Chairman Westfall called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. following the REAP meeting.

**ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:**

1. Commissioner Krehbiel talked to J. R. Hatfield, Halstead City Administrator, and Westar Energy regarding the proposed route of the 345kv power line. Commissioner Roberson informed the Commission that there are currently four bills before the legislature in regard to gaming issues in Kansas.
2. The CDDO Task Force will meet on March 13 to finalize a rough draft that will be presented to SRS for approval. They plan to present a resolution to the Board for approval of the new CDDO at the March 19, 2007 Commission meeting.
3. The Commission has received a letter of resignation from Sheriff Byron Motter effective April 30. The Republican Party will meet in the Community room on March 19, 2007 at 7:00 to appoint a new Sheriff.
4. Commissioner Westfall has been notified that there will be a meeting regarding a salvage yard zoning issue on March 26, 2007.

The minutes of the March 7, 2007 Commission Meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Roberson, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Passed unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**

1. Kathryn Hannemann has resigned as Director of Department on Aging effective March 23, 2007. The new RSVP Director begins work this Wednesday.
2. The Commissioners signed a letter of recognition and appreciation for Ray Neely, Road & Bridge employee, who did an outstanding job of designing and building storage and delivery racks for the new voting machines.
3. Commissioner Roberson made a motion to approve an Agreement and Lease between Harvey County and ResCare, Inc., for vehicles. ResCare will provide transportation for developmentally disabled, elderly, and the general public of Harvey County. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
4. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve the 2007 contract with Stutzman Refuse to manage and operate the Harvey County Recycling Center. The two changes in the contract from last year are that the Recycling Center is no longer staffed on Saturdays and the County receives \$5.00 per ton for the out-of-county recyclables instead of \$15.00 per ton in the previous contract. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

**CALENDAR ITEMS:**

A public meeting has tentatively been scheduled for March 26 to give a presentation and answer questions about the waste-to-energy project. After the public hearing has been

completed the Commission will then consider signing the agreement with Quality Recycling.

**CITIZEN S'FORUM:**

There were no citizens attending the citizen s forum.

Warrant checks for 2006 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Roberson. Passed unanimously.

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John Waltner gave the Commissioners information on the distribution of the county-wide sales tax revenues that have been collected since October 1, 2006. Disbursements of the second one percent sales tax are made to the separate entities according to the most recent population figures as a proportion to the total population of Harvey County. The payments are made two months in arrears, so revenues for December, January, and February have been disbursed.

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

The Commission reconvened at 1:15 to hold the continuation of a public hearing regarding the closing of a portion of Brown Street, and vacating Belle Avenue, and laying out a new road to the east of Brown Street and an extension of Custer Street in Halstead Township. Phil Adams, Road & Bridge Superintendent, and Craig Simons, Administrator, have checked these roads to make sure the legal descriptions are correct. Although there appears to be some encroachment on the Custer Street right-of-way, it does not present a problem. Steve Bayless, Halstead Township Officer, concluded that no trees would have to be removed. The township will build the road, but it will not be built until this fall or next winter. The public hearing was terminated at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve **Resolution 20007-8** vacating a portion of Brown Street, and vacating Belle Avenue and laying out a new road to the east of Brown Street and an extension of Custer Street in Halstead Township, Harvey County, Kansas, subject to obtaining an easement. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Roberson made a motion to approve **Resolution 2007-10** declaring Brown Street, Custer Street, Oak Street, and a portion of north Main Street in the Brown s'Addition of the City of Halstead, Kansas as formerly platted and now vacated, a minimum maintenance road as per K.S.A. 68-5, 102. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Lonnie Buller, briefed the Commissioners on the dry conditions and lack of appreciable rain in Harvey County. With the warmer temperatures predicted for the next week, he recommended that the Commission institute a burn ban. Commissioner Roberson made a motion to sign the declaration of a burn ban for Harvey County. Such ban will be in effect until March 19, 2007. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:57 p.m. Commissioner Roberson

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