

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

May 14, 2007

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on May 14, 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:

Commissioner Krehbiel met with the cities of Sedgwick, Halstead, and Burrton who are considering forming an ambulance district. These cities are having difficulty finding volunteers who are willing to work as ambulance attendants.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. Commissioner Krehbiel and Commissioner Westfall will attend the EDC annual banquet Thursday, May 17th.
2. The Health Ministries Clinic open house will be held Thursday, May 17th from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Minutes of the May 7 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Roberson, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. The Commissioners re-signed a warranty deed that was approved in Commission meeting last week. The original warranty deed needed to be signed by the City of Newton before it was signed by the County. The deed conveys land along Sand Creek to the City of Newton.
2. Commissioner Krehbiel suggested that the re-enactment scheduled during the Wings of Remembrance be advertised more to the public and that it should occur earlier in the day.
3. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve **Resolution # 2007-15** in which the County Commissioners unanimously agree that a 1987 Model 120AD Bomag steel roller and a 1989 Model 118AD Bomag steel roller are no longer required for use by the Harvey County Road & Bridge Department. The Board will also negotiate the sale of the rollers. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.
4. Craig Simons presented the first reading of recommendation for the appointment of Dorothy Zook to the Harvey County RSVP Advisory Council.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

Bill Brown, owner of the Newton Public Golf Course located on NE 36th Street, attended the meeting to further discuss the possible hard-surfacing of NE 36th Street. He was not able to attend last week's meeting due to a family crisis. Mr. Brown stated that the golf course is a family-owned public golf course that has paid \$108,000 in property taxes since

1984. He feels that the County is not being consistent regarding their rules for hard-surfacing roads. The surfacing of 24th Street from Kansas Avenue to Meridian, which is a road that carries traffic to the new City-owned Sand Creek Golf Course and housing addition, was partially funded by Harvey County. The Commission pointed out that there is a 500 unit housing complex at the Sand Creek Station Golf Course and Springlake housing addition being developed along 24th Street that requires the road be surfaced to handle increased traffic volume. There are only 10 houses along NE 36th Street in addition to an RV Park, Payne Oil Company, and the Newton Municipal Golf Course.

Tina Payne, Director of Health Ministries, presented a special invitation to the Commissioners to attend the Health Ministries Open House on Thursday, May 17th.

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

Scott Davies, Director of Planning & Zoning, informed the Commission that no bids were received for a 2007 passenger van and a mid-size sports utility or crossover vehicle. Mr. Davies suggested the invitation to bidders be republished later in the summer. The Commissioners agreed.

Bob Cheney presented the 2007 Annual Noxious Weed Management Plan. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve the plan and Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

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

The Commission reconvened to view bridges that are on the project list for the Fiscal Year 2008-2012 Five-Year Plan. After returning to the Commission room there was discussion about whether to place bridge #21-K.6 on north Kansas Ave and 24th Street near Centennial Park on the list. This bridge has increased traffic flow since the road was paved. Bridge #K8.6 on west 12th Street is also showing signs of stress in the substructure. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to place bridge #21-K.6 in line to follow bridge #K-13.5 on the five-year plan. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion. Passed unanimously. The bridges on the five year plan are now as follows:

1. 16-I.01
2. 16-J.7
3. K-13.5
4. 21-K.6
5. 11-H.9

Commissioner Roberson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:05 p.m. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

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Chairman

ATTEST:

Member

County Clerk

Member