

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

January 14, 2008

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on January 14, 2008 with all three Commissioners present. Chairman Westfall called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m. following the REAP meeting.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

1. The Commissioners received another letter from Mrs. Haury regarding the abuse of horses that was reported in November of 2007.
2. Chairman Westfall attended the Chamber Partnership of Governments meeting last week. Budgeting, labor force issues, energy, teaching English to younger age school children, and the KDOT Transportation plan were all discussed.
3. The Saline County 2-mile grid bridge plan has not been received as well as hoped and there will be several town meetings there for discussion.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

There were no items added to the calendar.

Minutes of the January 7, 2007 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Roberson, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Jim Meier, Road & Bridge Engineering Technician, requested the Commissioner's signatures on 2 more copies of county personnel inspecting Bridge Project #40 C-4150-01 for the bridge replacement at Ridge Road and Highway 50. The other copies of the project were approved and signed at the Commission meeting last week.
2. Jeanie Flaming, Director of Transportation, presented the annual KDOT grant application for the Transportation program. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve the 2008 Transportation grant application with the Kansas Department of Transportation for July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009 and authorize the Commission to sign. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
3. Ms. Flaming informed the Commission that one of the Transportation buses had to be towed from Ellsworth last week. The bus was checked at a repair shop and it was reported that the bus would probably need to have the engine replaced at an approximate cost of \$2,600. There are two cylinders that were repaired earlier that now have low compression and cannot be repaired again. She will check and see if KDOT will approve the engine replacement for the bus. If so, the County would have to pay only 30% of the repair cost.
4. All three Commissioners and their spouses will attend the annual Valentine Banquet at the Catholic Church in Halstead.

5. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to extend the contract with Quality Recycling for another six months. The contract would end on June 30, 2008. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

There were no items presented during Citizen's Forum.

With the exception of a payment to Cornerstone Law Office, warrant checks for 2007 and 2008 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Roberson, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Roberson made a motion to appoint Commissioner Krehbiel as the Chairman of the Commission for the year of 2008. Chairman Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to nominate Commissioner Roberson as Vice-Chairman. Chairman Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Upon a motion by Commissioner Roberson, seconded by Commissioner Westfall, the Commissioners were appointed to the following boards:

Chairman Krehbiel	Board of Community Corrections Regional Youth Advisory Board Central Kansas Solid Waste Authority Alternate for REAP Board REAP Water Board
Commissioner Westfall	Public/Private Partnership Group Aviation Board REAP Board
Commissioner Roberson	Coordinated Transit Board Public Building Commission CDDO Committee Harvey County Council of Governments

The Board recessed for lunch at 11:40 a.m.

After returning from lunch, Commissioner Roberson made a motion to go into executive session at 1:15 p.m. for a period of 30 minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously. Craig Clough, County Appraiser, and Greg Nye, County Counselor, also attended the executive session. At 1:45 p.m. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to extend the executive session for a period of 15 minutes to end at 2:00 p.m. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to continue executive session until 2:15 p.m. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Executive session ended at 2:15 p.m. with no action being taken.

The Parks Department has asked for clarification of how the public smoking ban affects private parties at the rental buildings at the County Parks. The Commission will research the resolution and make a determination.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m. upon a motion by Commissioner Roberson, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously.

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Chairman

ATTEST:

Member

County Clerk

Member