

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

July 15, 2013

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on July 15, 2013 with all three Commissioners present. Chairman Westfall called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

1. Commissioner Krehbiel inquired as to whether inmates were given special considerations for food during specific religious holidays such as Ramadan. Sheriff Walton stated that they are given alternate food items. However, this only affected one inmate.
2. Commissioner Krehbiel stated that if there is any possible way to implement the system for saving water at the Detention Center as presented by the 360 Energy Engineers. The amount of savings on the water bill would be substantial.
3. Commissioner Westfall stated that he does not feel that it is appropriate for a paid County Parks employee to serve as the Chair of the Parks Board. This was brought to light in the weekly report from the Parks Department.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. Commissioner Krehbiel will attend a meeting of the Harvey/McPherson County Community Corrections Board in Judge Walker's Office on Wednesday, July 17 at 12:00 noon.
2. Commissioner Hague said that although he will be a little late, he will attend the 4-H picnic on July 23 at Athletic Park.

Minutes of the July 8 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Hague, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. The REAP organization has gone through a significant change with the loss of the Executive Director a few months ago. Jim Heinecke has been serving as the interim director. REAP has lost a substantial portion of funding, so necessary adjustments are being discussed along with a plan of how the organization will continue to function. The structure of the organization and the priorities will be redefined.
2. John Waltner informed the Commission that the road impact fee resolution that is now in place needs to be revised. An updated resolution will be presented to the Commissioners in the future and township board members will be notified that this item will be on the agenda. The changes include which properties will be eligible to participate and the length of time that the County holds the money.
3. The Commissioners received a copy of the updated FTA/KDOT Anti-Drug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Policy from TMHC Services, Inc. The only employees that are required to submit to drug and alcohol testing are those who have a CDL license. This includes the Road & Bridge Department, Solid Waste Department,

- Noxious Weed Department and the Transportation Department. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve the TMHC contract. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
4. John stated that Jaci Reimer, Sedgwick City Administrator, has agreed to accept the appointment to the SCKEDD board replacing Keith DeHaven as the representative for Harvey County. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to appoint her to the SCKEDD Board as representative for Harvey County. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
 5. Jim Meier, Road & Bridge Superintendent, provided additional documents to be signed to install gates and lights at the railroad crossing on SW 72nd between Hoover and West Road. He also presented pictures of three pieces of equipment that he would like to have permission to sell, a 1992 Ford L8000, a 2002 John Deere 6405 Tractor, and a Xerox 2510 Copier. He also reported that the tractor that Agco has provided for the Department to test while mowing, is working well, but has a small fuel tank which requires more down time for refueling.
 6. Sheriff T. Walton reported that the Emergency Response Team was called to Sedgwick County for two nights last week to assist with a standoff situation there. The Communications Center unit was also called there. The situation ended with the suspect being killed by the Wichita Swat Unit. Sheriff Walton also informed the Commissioners that the Kansas Legislature passed the DIP law during the last days of the legislative session. The law is intended to reduce the number of inmates in state facilities following parole violations. However, it shifts them to county detention centers for three or four days instead, with no reimbursement from the State. The County would also be responsible for medical costs associated with the inmate. The population at the Detention Center was down below 100 for the first time in three years. Sheriff Walton also reported that the original architect for the detention center came in and looked at the jail design and stated that there were several design flaws in the original construction of the building.
 7. Byron Warta invited all the Commissioners to the Airport Board meeting this afternoon. He updated the Commissioners on the runway reconstruction project. It is proceeding on time, for the most part. It is scheduled for completion on August 2nd. He also reported that a French acrobatic team will be here in September. This will be a very good show and competition.
 8. The Administration Office is in the process of receiving bids for the purchase of a new copier for administration. The copier that is currently located in the Administration Office will be shifted to the Planning, Zoning, & Environmental Office.
 9. Anthony Swartzendruber informed the Commissioners that he will present a proposal for the hiring of a financial advisor for issuing debt for the construction of a community hangar at the airport.
 10. The "Notice of Budget Hearing" will be presented for approval next week.
 11. The Commissioners received information from Cox Communications listing restructured rates for installation charges for some services.
 12. The Commissioners received a copy of a letter from Randall Allen, Director of the KAC, clarifying the Statehouse Visitor's Center floor map project.

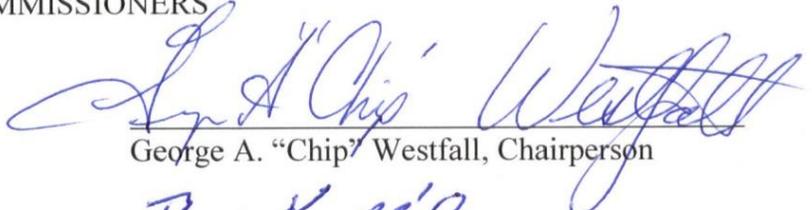
CITIZEN'S FORUM

There were no items presented during Citizen's Forum.

Warrant checks in the amount of \$56,645.49 and hand written checks in the amount of \$17,226.50 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Hague. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07am.

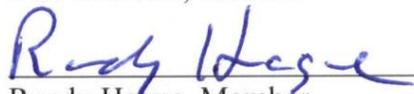
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George A. "Chip" Westfall, Chairperson


Ron Krehbiel, Member

ATTEST:


Joyce Truskett, County Clerk


Randy Hague, Member

