

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

July 22, 2013

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on July 22, 2013 with all three Commissioners present. Chairman Westfall called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

There were no items added to the agenda.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. The Commissioners will participate in the Harvey County Fair Parade on Saturday, August 3 at 6:00 p.m.
2. The Commissioners will participate in the Old Settler's Parade in Halstead on Saturday, August 10 at 10:00 a.m.
3. A FEMA meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 24th at Halstead City Hall to discuss flood maps.
4. Commissioner Krehbiel will attend a quarterly meeting of the Prairie View Advisory Board at 11:30 a.m. on August 1st.
5. The Commissioners are invited to attend a Park Board meeting on August 19th at 7:00 p.m. The Commissioners will present plaques to four retiring park board members.

Minutes of the July 15 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Hague, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. John Waltner, Administrator, informed the Commission that the Park Board minutes that referenced his agreement with allowing a part time employee of Harvey County Parks to serve as the Chairman of the Parks Board have been corrected to reflect that he was not in agreement. Although the employee will continue to serve as a member of the board, he will no longer serve as the chairman. The chairman of the Parks Board is now Jerry Vetter.
2. John Waltner informed the Commission that a copy of HB 2170, known as the "Quick Dip" bill, is available for the commissioners to review. The bill changes the length of time that state inmates are incarcerated before they go to trial. The cost to house these prisoners may now be the responsibility of counties for a period of three or four days.
3. John presented **Resolution 2013-14**, to authorize the sale of equipment no longer in use at the Road and Bridge Department. The equipment to be sold is a 1992 Ford truck, John Deere tractor, and a Xerox copier. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve authorizing the sale of this equipment. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
4. Anthony Swartzendruber presented the 2013 2nd quarter financial report. The revenues and expenditures for each fund were reviewed, including the 2012 budget

- year, the 2013 original budget, the 2013 revised budget, the 2013 actual, including the year-to-date percentage of expenditures. The County Treasurer investments were also reviewed.
5. Jim Meier, Road and Bridge Superintendent reported that the red flashing arrows on South Kansas Avenue to assist with traffic control while the Highway 50 roundabout is being constructed at Anderson Road, are scheduled to be changed eventually. He also said that one of the bridge decks on the round-about is to be poured tomorrow, weather permitting.
 6. Sheriff T. Walton reported that Harold "Mike" Huntley passed away unexpectedly early this morning. He is the father of Brian and Brandon, both of whom are employed by the Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff reported that the "Click it or Ticket" campaign, headed up by Sergeant Scott Motes, raised enough money to receive the maximum grant award of \$4,500. He also reported that repairs on the shower stalls at the detention center have been estimated at \$1,500 per shower and there are 24 showers. Only \$8,000 was budgeted for this expense, so \$7,500 that was budgeted for the purchase of some kitchen equipment will instead be used for shower repairs. The jail population is 104.
 7. Byron Warta reported that although Harvey County has been receiving rain lately, the drought is not over. At last report, the county is still almost 6" behind on total rainfall for the year.

CITIZEN'S FORUM

There were no items presented during Citizen's Forum.

Warrant checks in the amount of \$108,603.52 and hand-written checks in the amount of \$5,595.00 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Hague, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Motion passed unanimously.

Anthony presented and reviewed the corrected budget as was recommended during the special work session held on July 16. He also presented the Notice of Budget Hearing for approval and publication. The estimated mill levy for Harvey County is 35.636, generating a dollar amount of \$9,476,033, which is the maximum dollar amount that will be generated. The mill levy can vary slightly according to final valuations. Commissioner Hague made a motion to approve the notice of budget hearing. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Commissioner Hague made a motion to approve and publish **Resolution 2013-13**, expressing the property taxation policy of the Board of Harvey County Commissioners with respect to financing the 2014 annual budget for the County. Chairman Westfall called attention to the fifth paragraph in the resolution that reads "Whereas, the 2013 Kansas State Legislature failed to fulfill its obligations in regard to the statutory funding of demand transfers and, by significantly limiting state revenue sharing payments to counties, has contributed to higher county property tax levies to finance the 2014 Harvey County budget." Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

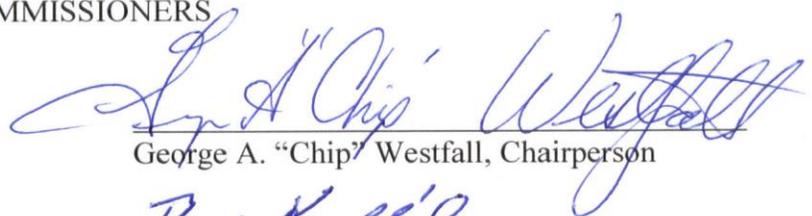
The Commission took a 10 minute break.

Gina Bell, Director of Planning, Zoning, and Environmental presented request by Joe King for a conditional use permit to operate a business with retail sales of firearms, ammunition, and manufacture of ammunition on property located in the A-1 Agricultural zoning district. The property is located at 4624 S Halstead Rd, Halstead, KS. Mr. King stated that there will not be a shooting range operated at the site, and only the owners of the property will be allowed to fire weapons on the site. Commissioner Westfall requested that the county receive a copy of the ATF license when it is received. Mr. King has applied for a Class 2 license which allows the sale of firearms and ammunition, and a Class 6 license which allows the manufacture of them. Sheriff Walton T. stated that new legislation was passed which does not allow the state or local law enforcement agencies to enforce manufacturing laws for businesses such as this. Mr. King said that if he does not comply with federal rules, he will lose his license. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve the conditional use permit, as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission at their meeting on July 26, 2013. Also included in the motion is that the county receives a copy of the Federal Firearms License, and that the placard to alert emergency personnel that munitions are present is in place on the building. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Shannon Metz discussed the possibility of running a water line to the east side of West Park. The Boy Scout Jamboree is held at the park every year and they need water on that side during that time. This would allow the Boy Scouts to use a larger area at the park. The plan is to put several hydrants on the east side so the water is more readily available to more areas. The Boy Scout organization has also requested permission to place some type of a temporary floating bridge over the river behind the shelter. Although the bridge would be funded by the Boy Scouts, it would be stored at the park. The event continues to grow and it is important to make the water available to them on the east side.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

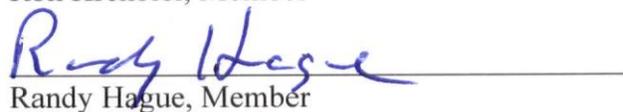
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George A. "Chip" Westfall, Chairperson


Ron Krehbiel, Member

ATTEST:


Joyce Truskett, County Clerk


Randy Hague, Member

