

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
November 3, 2014

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on November 3, 2014 with all three commissioners present. Chairman Krehbiel called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

1. Commissioner Westfall asked Lynnette Redington, Director of the Health Department, about the \$50,000 grant from tobacco monies. Lynnette said that the money must be spent on physical activity and nutrition and the money received by Harvey County will be used to develop a master bike plan for the City of Newton. Although these monies will be spent in the City of Newton, once the bike plan is developed it will be replicated in the other communities in Harvey County using funds from a Community Health Foundation Grant. She reported that the Health Department has also received a grant from the Central Kansas Community Foundation on behalf of the 2014 Women's Community Fund to purchase 20 infant car seats at a cost of \$100 each.
2. Commissioner Hague asked if the section of Meridian Road in front of the Norcraft Company is a Newton City street or a county road. An overlay has been done by KDOT from Highway 50 up to that area from the south and then the City of Newton did an overlay from Sharps Drive north. This leaves about a three block area in between the two overlays. The road belongs to the City.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. The Election Canvass will be held on November 10 at 8:00 a.m.
2. There will be a meeting of the Little Arkansas River Watershed District in Moundridge on Thursday, November 6 at 7:00 a.m.
3. The 4-H banquet is incorrectly listed on the calendar as Sunday, November 16. It should be Saturday, Nov 15.
4. The Commissioners received an invitation from Prairie View to attend a luncheon at the newly renovated Pine Street Building on November 19 at 11:30 a.m.
5. All of the Commissioners will attend the Safe House Holiday Gala on Friday, November 7 at 6:00 p.m. at the Meridian Center.

Minutes of the October 27, 2014 Commission meeting were corrected and approved upon a motion by Commissioner Hague, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. A meeting of the Newton - North Newton Planning Commission will be held this evening. One of the items considered will be the rezoning of property south of First Street between Boyd and B & B Lumber. Harvey County owns property adjacent to this parcel.
2. There will be a REAP Board breakfast meeting in Kechi on Friday, November 7. John stated that the meeting held on October 28 at Exploration Place was a very informative meeting. David Adkins, the featured speaker, did an excellent job and will be a

- featured speaker at the KAC Conference.
- 3. John received a copy of the SCKEDD audit report, available for review by the Commissioners.
- 4. A joint meeting with the Newton City Commission will be held on November 10 at 11:30 a.m. at the Meridian Center. Information on the SWOT study that was done, identifying the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats for economic development, will be presented.
- 5. John updated the Commissioners on the 800 MHz radio project. There are two locations that have been identified for locating a tower. One will be built in the northern section of the county and one in the western section of the county. The possibility of locating a tower on property owned by Earl Findley is being explored.
- 6. Gina Bell, Director of Planning and Zoning, presented a plat for the Restlawn Cemetery for the Commission Chairman and the County Clerk to sign.
- 7. Lynnette Redington reported that flu shots are still being administered in the county.
- 8. Sheriff T. Walton reported that they also received a \$2,000 grant for the Heart to Heart Program from the Central Kansas Community Foundation on behalf of the 2014 Women's Community Fund. He also reported that he met with Lynnette last week to review the infectious disease policy and how it applies to Sheriff's Officers who serve papers to various individuals. He reported that he will be in Ford County for Sheriff's Association meetings the remainder of the week.
- 9. Anthony Swartzendruber presented sales tax reports for Harvey County for October. Sales tax collections were up 9.28% as compared to this same period last year. Year to date change from 2013 to 2014 is 6.58%. He reported that the construction project continues with continued work in the mechanical room and the demolition of ductwork in the Planning and Zoning area and the Department on Aging area. The well drilling should be completed by Thursday.

CITIZENS FORUM:

There were no items presented during Citizen's Forum.

Warrant checks in the amount of \$282,800.30 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Commissioner Hague. Motion passed unanimously.

Jim Meier, Road and Bridge Superintendent, presented a proposal for the 2015 contracted pavement improvement. The proposal includes overlaying 19.5 miles of hot in-place recycle with mastic seal, 21.03 miles of hot mix asphalt, and 10.46 miles of ultra-thin bonded asphalt surfacing that was delayed from the 2014 list of projects. The delayed project on NE 60th will be done in May and the contractor will be responsible for patching and striping on that project. The 2015 budget may have to be readopted to accommodate payment for this project. Sedgwick City was contacted to possibly piggy-back with one of the projects to overlay some of the roads in the city. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to approve the proposal and send out the request for engineering design. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Rich Hanley, Director of the Department on Aging, and Robert Carlton, Representative from the Council on Aging, presented new forms for Senior Centers to submit quarterly reports, for application for at-large applicants for 2016 Senior Mill Levy Funding and applications for 2016 Senior Mill Levy

Funding for Senior Centers. These new forms and processes are proposed to address the ever changing needs of seniors. They will hopefully be used to address needs that are currently not being met and create a process where dollars are being used most efficiently.

At 10:47 a.m. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to go into executive session for a period of 15 minutes to discuss attorney client privilege and pending litigation and personnel issues. Commissioner Hague seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Also present for the session were John Waltner, Anthony Swartzendruber, Counselor Greg Nye, and Joyce Truskett. Executive session ended at 11:00 a.m. with no action being taken.

The Commissioners left to tour the newly remodeled building on South Pine Street that will house Prairie View, Health Ministries, and the Health Department.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

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Ron Krehbiel
Ron Krehbiel, Chairperson

Randy Hague
Randy Hague, Member

George A. "Chip" Westfall
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ATTEST:

Joyce Truskett
Joyce Truskett, County Clerk

