

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

November 5, 2007

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on November 5, 2007 with all three Commissioners present. Chairman Westfall called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. following the morning REAP meeting in Wichita.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

1. Commissioner Krehbiel shared information regarding an animal cruelty case that has been turned over to the Sheriff's office for investigation.
2. There will be a flood plain meeting at City Hall tomorrow afternoon in Halstead at 3:00 p.m. Craig Simons will attend and it was suggested that Scott Davies, Planning & Zoning Director, also attend.
3. Chairman Westfall reported that recognition letters were given to the 4-H Horticultural Quiz Bowl team that took the national title.

Minutes of the October 22 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Roberson, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Passed unanimously.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. There will be a Council of Governments meeting at 3:00 p.m. on November 14 at Newton City Hall. Area legislators will be in attendance.
2. Commissioner Roberson will attend the Sheriff's office K-9 demonstration on November 10 at 10:00 a.m. in the North Dillons Parking Lot.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Greg Nye presented a release and cancellation for a contract made between Charles Newell and the Board of Commissioners dated February 27, 1989 to develop property south of Newton as residential property. The property was never developed and is now in the process of being sold. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve and sign the release and cancellation of the contract as recorded in Book 320, Page 352 of the Miscellaneous Records of the Register of Deeds of Harvey County, Kansas. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
2. Representatives from the Parks Department and Craig Simons will meet with Rick Holbrook tomorrow to discuss the construction of a new community use building at West Park. They will discuss the amenities needed at the building and then Mr. Holbrook will be doing some cost estimates.
3. The County is continuing to gather information regarding the new FEMA flood maps. Craig Simons and Scott Davies have met with Dan Garber of Garber Surveying about which contour maps were used to develop the new flood maps. He suggested we gather information from digital elevation models, elevations used for building bridges, and elevations from the Dike at Halstead.
4. The Road & Bridge Department has invited the Commission to attend breakfast at the Department at 7:30 a.m. before next Tuesday's Commission meeting.
5. Charlie Summers, Fiscal Officer, has clarified the issue regarding the bill

- submitted from the Sheriff's Office for towing a truck after a traffic stop. The truck was towed by Auto House Towing, but the driver was never arrested.
6. Commissioner Roberson made a motion to go into executive session at 1:34 p.m. for a period of five minutes to discuss the acquisition of property. The executive session ended at 1:44 p.m. with no action being taken.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

There were no citizens present for Citizen's Forum.

Warrant checks were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Roberson, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. A check to Auto House held over from last week was also approved. Passed unanimously.

Lonnie Buller, Director of Emergency Management, presented an application for a \$50,000 grant to fund Local Hazard Mitigation Planning. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the grant application. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Roberson made a motion to re-appoint Lonnie Buller for an additional two-year term as the Harvey County representative to the South Central Kansas Homeland Security Region Board. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

The Commission took a 15 minute break at 2:15 p.m.

Craig Simons presented Resolution No. 2007-23 prohibiting the smoking of tobacco products in designated public places and places of employment in the unincorporated area of Harvey County.

Commissioner Roberson made a motion to approve the resolution and Chairman Westfall seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 2 yea and 1 nay, with Commissioner Krehbiel dissenting. Although Commissioner Krehbiel is a proponent of non-smoking areas, he is an opponent of telling a business owner what they can and cannot do in running their business.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m. upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Roberson. Passed unanimously.

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Chairman

ATTEST:

Member

County Clerk

Member