

**MINUTES OF**  
**BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**December 1, 2008**

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on December 1, 2008 with Commissioner Krehbiel and Commissioner Westfall present. Commissioner Roberson was absent. Chairman Krehbiel 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. There will be a Community Corrections meeting at noon on Friday.
2. There will be a Farm Bureau dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m. this evening at the Whistle Stop Restaurant in Walton.
3. There will be an EDC meeting at 2:00 p.m. December 2. One of the Commissioners will attend.

Minutes of the November 24, 2008 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Chairman Krehbiel. Motion passed unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**

1. The Sheriff's Department purchased a used 4-wheel drive pickup from the Kansas Highway Patrol Department. This truck will replace the vehicle that was wrecked during the chase of a bank robbery suspect in October. The Commissioners decided to wait on any further decisions on vehicles until after the new sheriff takes office in January.
2. Charlie Summers presented a memorandum explaining the current Harvey County Cell Phone policy. In the past all of the county cell phones have been managed through the Sheriff's Office. The new policy will require employees to purchase their own personal cell phone plans and then the County will then reimburse a portion of this monthly charge through Payroll. Department Heads and employees who use their phones frequently for County business will be reimbursed \$50.00 per month. Others will be reimbursed \$25.00.

**CITIZENS FORUM:**

There were no citizens present for Citizens Forum.

There were no warrant checks to approve because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Commissioners discussed the installation of a septic system at the Esch residence east of Newton on First Street. The current lagoon there is not adequate to keep sewage from drainage ditches. The installation is behind schedule.

Greg Nye, County Counselor, reported that there is a proposed amendment in Harvey County

before the Harvey County Zoning Board to allow the County to put antennas on newly constructed cell phone towers. Counselor Nye will discuss this with Scott Davies, Director of Planning & Zoning.

John Waltner gave the Commissioners information about the decrease in revenues for the State this year. There will be a projected \$100,000,000 shortfall, which puts the state budget in a serious deficit.

The meeting was recessed at 10:07 a.m. to allow the Commissioners to attend the Quad County meeting to be held in Park City.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m. upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Chairman Krehbiel.

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Ron Krehbiel, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Marge Roberson, Member

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Joyce Truskett, County Clerk

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George A. "Chip" Westfall, Member