

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

August 7, 2006

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on August 7, 2006. Chairman Roberson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Roberson, Commissioner Krehbiel and Commissioner Westfall were present.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

1. Chairman Roberson shared financial information that she received from Northview Developmental Center.
2. Commissioner Westfall informed the Commission that there was a near accident at the Demolition Derby held on August 6. One of the cars nearly went into a pit crew area where several people were watching. The concrete retaining wall kept the car from going further. No one was injured in the mishap.

Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve the minutes of July 31 as corrected, and the minutes of the August 4 election canvass. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. The budget books are now ready for the budget hearing on August 14.
2. There were several questions that came up in the budget work session that Craig Simons looked into. The mileage for the District Court Judges is paid by the State. The mileage for the staff is paid 50% by Harvey County and 50% by McPherson County.
3. There was a \$4,000 restocking fee for the communications tower that was to be placed at Harvey County West Park. The tower will not be constructed there because of the destruction of habitat for eagles.
4. The bio-terrorism grant received by the Health Department has been cut by 10%. There will be a shortage of about \$5,000 that the County will have to make up to fund the salaries for the bio-terrorism department.
5. Craig provided information on the ambulance distribution for each ambulance district for this year.
6. The Old Settler s Day Parade in Halstead will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 12. The Commissioners will ride in a convertible.
7. There is some question as to the new Concealed Carry Law with regard to the public transportation system here. The Transportation Department will recommend that concealed weapons be banned on the public transportation vehicles. By State law it will have to be posted on each of the vehicles. Wording for the posters will be available in September.
8. Commissioner Westfall reported that McPherson is planning to request permission to the Kanopolis Reservoir as a water supply source, which means they will be drawing less water from the equus beds.

Warrant checks were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Passed unanimously.

Sheriff Byron Motter presented a request from two concealed carry instructors about using the County Shooting Range to qualify civilians in order to carry a concealed weapon. The Range is located at the Harvey County Landfill. The County insurance carrier has issued a "hold harmless" policy with regard to the use of the County Range. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to not allow the public to use the shooting range for the purpose of licensing for the Kansas concealed carry law. The facility will be used as a training facility for law enforcement and retired law enforcement personnel only. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m. upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Passed unanimously.

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Chairman

ATTEST:

Member

County Clerk

Member