

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

February 6, 2006

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on February 6, 2006 with all three Commissioners present. A breakfast meeting with the Harvey County Farm Bureau Association began the meeting at 7:00 a.m.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

1. Commissioner Krehbiel received a call regarding a property purchased by Terry Davidson across the road from Hutchinson Water Sports. A privacy dirt embankment has been constructed along the road which blocks the visibility at the intersection, making it hazardous. The Commissioners will view the intersection after the Commission meeting this morning. They will also view the railroad crossing near Putnam, which was reported as a driving hazard, and was supposed to have been repaired by the railroad.
2. Commissioner Roberson requested that the Commissioners continue to pursue the interests of Harvey County in regard to expanded gaming. The area legislators will be asked to see that the proposed moratorium on all counties except Wyandotte and Crawford, not become a long term situation. If slot machines are allowed at the Wichita Greyhound Park, Harvey County would appreciate the possibility of some revenue sharing for the surrounding counties.
3. Commissioner Meier commended John Waltner on the article in the Wichita Eagle regarding the Fair Fares Campaign.

The minutes of the January 30, 2006 meeting were corrected and approved upon a motion by Commissioner Meier, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to continue the burn ban for another week. Commissioner Meier seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
2. Lonnie Buller, Director of Emergency Management, gave a report on the Homeland Security meeting he attended last week. Harvey County is now a part of the South Central Kansas District and a portion of the planning and half of the funding will be handled through that district; however it has not yet been determined exactly how the funding will be handled.
3. The Commissioners received a request from rural farmers that when the 911 dispatchers answer a call, that they identify themselves as Harvey County 911.
4. The Commissioners signed **Resolution No. 2006-8**, which grants a tiered, ten-year tax exemption for a tubing machine at Full Vision.
5. After mold was discovered in the air handling ducts at the Harvey County Health Department, an environmental firm has been hired to evaluate what needs to be done to clean up the mold contamination and correct the situation that caused it. A company will then be hired to do the clean-up.

6. Craig Simons and the staff of the Parks Department toured the horse corrals at Kanopolis Reservoir. Harvey County is considering constructing corrals near the camping areas at two of the Harvey County Parks.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. The annual meeting of the Harvey County Conservation District will be held tonight at 6:30 p.m. at the Halstead High School.
2. The Newton Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a legislative forum at Charlie s Restaurant east room on February 11, March 18, and April 19.
3. The 23rd annual Water in the Future conference will be held at the Capitol Plaza at Topeka on Thursday, March 16.
4. The 2006 Works Conference will be held March 28 - 30th at the Conference Hotel in Great Bend.
5. County Government Day will be observed in Topeka on February 14, 2006.
6. The REAP meeting will be held next Monday before the Commission Meeting.

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

Craig Simons gave a review of the Harvey County annual report, which summarizes the accomplishments of the Harvey County Board of Commissioners for the year of 2005.

Craig Simons presented **Resolution No. 2006-10**, which extends the temporary moratorium on construction of any structure within the designated breach impact area of a low hazard dam in Harvey County. Commissioner Meier moved to accept the resolution, and Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Commissioner Meier moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

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Chairman

ATTEST:

Member

County Clerk

Member