

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

**January 30, 2006**

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on January 30, 2006 with all three Commissioners present. Chairperson Roberson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:**

1. The Central Plains Quad-County Planning Forum will conduct its regularly scheduled meeting in Reno County on Monday, March 20, 2006.
2. Harvey County will join the Kansas Organization of Recyclers, which is a new organization that was started last year in conjunction with the Works Conference.
3. Chairperson Roberson and Craig Simons went to Topeka last Wednesday and talked with Senators Brungardt and McGinn, and Representative Tom Thull, regarding the gaming bill before the legislature. The bill, as it is currently written, includes a moratorium on new gaming centers in the state of Kansas, with the exception of Wyandotte and Crawford Counties. Harvey County would like to be considered as a viable location for expanded gaming.
4. Participants at the REAP Economic Development Committee Meeting voted to assess particular counties for the fair fares campaign.

The minutes of the January 23, 2006 meeting were corrected and approved upon a motion by Commissioner Meier, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Passed unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**

1. February 14 is County Government Day. The Commissioners have been invited to meet with the South Central Kansas Legislative delegation in Topeka.
2. The Conservation District annual dinner will be held February 6, 2006 at the Halstead High School. All three Commissioners will attend.
3. The Commissioners signed a letter of thanks to the Halstead Fire Department for providing a fire truck at the Trapper Rendezvous which was held at Harvey County West Park. The truck was provided as a precautionary measure because of the elevated fire risk.
4. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to extend the burn ban for another seven days. Commissioner Meier seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
5. Lonnie Boller, Director of Emergency Management, briefed the Commissioners on the tornado phenomenon which occurred last weekend at Conklin Cars in Newton. The phenomenon is called a land spout and damaged a number of vehicles and blew down a light pole.
6. Chairperson Roberson signed a notice to proceed for APAC, who was awarded the bid for resurfacing 24<sup>th</sup> Street near the Sand Creek Station Golf Course.

Justin Stucky, a resident of rural Sedgwick, attended Citizen's Forum. He is in the process of applying for a zoning permit to rezone five acres of his rural property in order to build another residence.

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

Roger Ahrens, CEO of Full Vision, and Mickey Fornaro-Dean, Director of the Economic Development Council, spoke to the Commissioners regarding a request for 100% tax abatement for a tubing laser, which was purchased by Full Vision. The Administrative Review Committee, composed of the County Appraiser, County Administrator, and Chairperson of the Board, recommended 50% abatement calculated evenly each year for ten years. Roger Ahrens said a tiered abatement would be acceptable. Commissioner Meier made a motion to approve **Resolution #2006-8**, providing a tiered tax abatement for ten years. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Roy Patton, Director of Solid Waste, presented **Resolution #2006-9**, concerning trash items that will now be considered recyclable. This resolution would repeal Resolution 2001-25, which repeals Resolution 2000-6. Commissioner Meier made a motion to approve the resolution and Commissioner Krehbiel seconded. It was passed unanimously. The changes will be implemented on March 1, 2006. The contract with Stutzman Refuse Disposal to manage and operate the Harvey County Recycling Center was also presented.

Commissioner Meier moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

#### BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Chairman

ATTEST:

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Member

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County Clerk

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Member