

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

October 16, 2006

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on October 16, 2006 with all three Commissioners present. Chairman Roberson called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. following the REAP meeting.

No items were added to the agenda.

Chairman Roberson and Craig Simons had lunch with Mickey Dean, Economic Development Council; Troy Carlson, Initiatives Inc., and Azzy Reckess, purchaser of the Halstead Hospital and Hertzler Clinic. Mr. Reckess is in the process of finding businesses to locate in the building. There is a possibility that a state Social and Rehabilitation Services call center could be located in the Hertzler Clinic Building. One of the requirements for the call center is that it must be located in a rural area that has a population of less than 5,000. They are requesting a letter of support from the County and they have also enlisted the help of Tom Thull, 72nd District Representative, and Carolyn McGinn, 31st District Senator.

Minutes of the October 9, 2006 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. The motion was passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Craig Simons presented the second reading for James R. Gundy, who has made application to be appointed to the Mental Health Advisory Board. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to appoint Mr. Gundy to the board. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
2. The Commissioners have received an invitation from Richard Denno to a fund raising dinner to benefit Habitat for Humanity. The Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. on November 9 at the First Presbyterian Church on Columbus Avenue.
3. Having met the requirements of K.S.A. #12-521, which requires a public hearing to be held five years after an annexation, Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve **Resolution #2006-25** which verifies that the City of Newton has provided the required services to the annexed area. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
4. The tour and dinner at Standridge will be held Wednesday evening, October 18.
5. A Visioneering Conference will be held in El Dorado on October 27, 2006.

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

The Commission heard a report from Chairman Roberson who served as Chairman of the task force that was established to examine the issue of one entity serving as both the CDDO and as a service

provider. Evelyn Adams and Virgil Penner, members of the task force, and Robin Allen, parent of a developmentally disabled child, attended the meeting. The task force has made the recommendation that the CDDO and the service provider be separate entities. They also recommend that a Transition Committee be established to work with Northview, who is the current appointed CDDO, until the new CDDO is fully functional. The Transition Committee would consist of seven members, one person chosen by the Community Connections Board, one person from Northview Developmental Services, Inc., one person from T.S.S., Inc., two persons chosen by the Board of Harvey County Commissioners, and two persons appointed by the Marion County Commissioners. There is a possibility that this committee could develop into the new CDDO. The target date for the CDDO to be fully functional would be March of 2007. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2006-26**, establishing a Transition Committee to work with Northview until a new CDDO is established and in place. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion. The motion was passed with a vote of 2 ayes and 1 nay with Commissioner Krehbiel dissenting. Commissioner Krehbiel explained his vote by stating he prefers the CDDO duties be contracted to a third party experienced in operating a CDDO, given the problems existing at the present time with Northview Developmental Services, Inc. The Transition Committee is to be formed as soon as possible.

After a tour of Ridge Road from US Highway 50 to Sedgwick and a bridge on Kansas Avenue at the north city limits, Commissioner Westfall made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:27 p.m. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

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Chairman

ATTEST:

Member

County Clerk

Member