

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

**June 22, 2009**

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on June 22, 2009 with all three commissioners present. Chairman Roberson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:**

1. Commissioner Krehbiel reported on the storm damage in the western part of the county. In addition to the loss of a couple of buildings, tree damage was extensive. There is also a brush jam against the bridge on 36th Street as a result of high water.
2. Commissioner Krehbiel reported that new doors were installed at the West Park Community Building and the sidewalk was also fixed. The counter top in the kitchen will also be replaced but has not been completed yet.
3. Commissioner Westfall reported that Sandy Fruit had talked to the Fairgrounds Development Committee with regard to setting up a foundation to collect monies to build the new fairgrounds.
4. Commissioner Roberson will be absent from next week's Commission meeting.
5. A Carp fishing contest was held last weekend at West Park. There were eighteen participants.

**CALENDAR ITEMS:**

1. The Fairgrounds Development Committee meeting will be changed from July 21 to July 14 at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes of the June 15, 2009 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**

1. Paul Ferguson, Engineer with Poe and Associates, sent "Request for Construction" forms for two bridges that are listed on the Five-year Federally Funded Bridge Plan. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to approve and sign the form for Bridge #K-8.6 which is 10.5 miles west of Newton on 12th Street and Bridge #Q-16.9, which is .1 miles east of Hesston on Dutch Avenue. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
2. Lonnie Buller, Director of Emergency Management, updated the Commission on storm damage that occurred in the County last week. There were five farmsteads that sustained damage in addition to damage at Southern Star Training Center in Hesston. There were also several irrigation systems that were damaged.
3. Commissioner Krehbiel suggested that the generator donated to the County by AT&T be placed in the Chisholm Trail parade and displayed at the Chisholm Trail Festival and the Harvey County Fair.

**CITIZEN'S FORUM:**

Byron Warta reported that he attended a virtual session with Kansas Water Authority which introduced a project to plan for water usage in the future. Denver Water Resources has been invited to cooperate and communicate information for the project. The project will develop a model for all counties to use in developing a plan for future water usage.

Sheriff T. Walton reported that Tim Boese graduated from the Academy last weekend and will begin working as a road deputy now. He also reported that work has not yet begun on remodeling the weight room in the Law Enforcement Center for use as an office for Juvenile Intake.

Phil Adams, Superintendent of Road and Bridge, reported that the sale of used items on the Purple Wave Auction Site is now complete and has generated about \$12,000 in revenue.

Commissioner Westfall asked about the status of the company that defaulted on the road sealing project last year. The company defaulted on the bond and the bonding company will probably take some action against the sealing company. Harvey County will file a claim against the sealing company.

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

At 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to go into executive session to discuss acquisition of property and legal issues for a period of 15 minutes. Also in attendance were County Counselor Greg Nye, John Waltner, and Charlie Summers. At 10:15 a.m. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to extend the executive session for another five minutes. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Executive session ended at 10:20 a.m. with no action being taken.

Craig Clough, Harvey County Appraiser, presented **Resolution No. 2009-13**, reappointing him as the Appraiser for Harvey County for a term of four years commencing on June 22, 2009 and ending on June 30, 2013. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to appoint Craig Clough as the Harvey County Appraiser for the four year term. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Roy Patton, Superintendent of Solid Waste, presented the proposed 2010 budget for the Solid Waste Department. The budget is based on maintaining the fee structure as it currently is with the exception of the Recycling Center. The revenues from the sale of recycled materials are down which indicates that the Recycling Center may have to implement a fee. The budget includes the Post-Closure Division, Construction and Demolition Division, Composting Division, Municipal Solid Waste Division, and the Recycling Division. The Commission will take the budget under advisement. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2009-12**, setting a service fee for solid waste facilities for 2009. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

David Yoder, County Attorney, presented the proposed 2010 budget for the Attorney's Office. The budget contains a capital outlay request for \$2,500 for two new computers. The line item for newspaper publishing has increased significantly because of publishing requirements implemented by the legislature in certain "child in need of care" cases. The Commission will take the proposed budget under advisement.

Rebecca Noble, County Treasurer, presented the proposed 2010 budget for the Treasurer's Office. Ms. Noble discussed the addition of security cameras for the office; however, this is not an item that is reflected in the proposed budget. She does not plan to hire any part-time help during tax season in the fall. The Commission will take the budget under advisement.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m. by Chairman Roberson.

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Marge Roberson, Chairman

ATTEST:

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George A. "Chip" Westfall, Member

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Joyce Truskett, County Clerk

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Ron Krehbiel, Member