

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

June 14, 2010

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on June 14, 2010 with all three commissioners present. Chairman Westfall called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

No new items were added to the agenda.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

Commissioner Roberson will be attending the KCAMP meeting in Topeka June 23-24.

Minutes of the June 7, 2010 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of the June 8, 2010 special Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Greg Nye, County Counselor, reported that there will be a motion for Summary Judgment in the Camacho case on Wednesday morning. He will report back with the results.
2. Kass Miller, East Park Ranger, reported on the flooding at East Park. There are several areas under water. He is not aware of any flooding at West Park at this time.
3. Jim Meier, Road & Bridge Engineering Technician, reported that they have had crew members out all weekend placing barricades and "road closed" signs on flooded roads and bridges. He said it will be a challenge to evaluate the bridges after the water has receded.
4. Lon Buller, Emergency Management Director, also gave a report on flooding around the county. Although the City of Sedgwick is not flooded, the only route to get in or out of town is to travel east on 125th Street. Mr. Buller will make preliminary damage assessments to be reported to the State to obtain possible relief money for the county and townships. He also presented a Proclamation of a State of Local Disaster Emergency for Harvey County because of the flooding that has occurred. Commissioner Roberson made a motion to approve the proclamation and authorize the chairman to sign. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel and passed unanimously.
5. John Waltner presented a Memorandum of Agreement between the State Office of Judicial Administration and Harvey County for supplemental pay for the District Magistrate Judge. The agreement was signed by all three Commissioners.

6. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to accept an offer of \$250 from Andrew and Cynthia Jackson for the purchase of the Morgan Law Office building located at 127 E. 7th Street across the street south of the Courthouse. The land where the building is located is owned by Harvey County. The structure will be moved to allow for additional parking for Courthouse employees. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. The bill of sale was signed by the Commissioners.
7. Scott Davies, Planning and Zoning Director, presented the Local Environmental Protection Program Grant Agreement for fiscal year 2011 between the State of Kansas and Harvey County. Commissioner Roberson made a motion to approve the grant agreement and authorize the chairman to sign. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
8. Notice was given of the Central Plains meeting to be held Wednesday, June 16 at 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center in Sedgwick.
9. John Waltner reported that JoAnne Miller was offered and has accepted the position of Director of the Health Department and will begin employment on June 28. Anthony Swartzendruber will also begin employment in the Administration Office the same day.
10. John Waltner presented a letter from Elizabeth Schmidt, Executive Director of the Harvey-Marion County CDDO, stating that an appointment of a parent/guardian representative on the CDDO Board needs to be made. The three-year term of Rosella Arellano will expire on June 30, 2010. Ms. Arellano is not available to serve an additional term. Commissioner Roberson said that the terms of Lou Diddier and Bev Metcalf will also expire, but both are willing to serve an additional three-year term if appointed.
11. Commissioner Roberson reported that the Council of Governments are supportive of the Lyder Flyover and will contribute some money. They talked about EDC funding and decided to wait till EDC reported on what they need.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

There were no citizens present for Citizen's Forum.

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

The Commission recessed at 10:00 a.m. for a meeting of the Public Building Commission. Minutes are attached. The meeting notice of the Public Building Commission was published in the Newton Kansan and proof of publication will be forwarded from the newspaper to the County. The PBC meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Commissioner Roberson made a motion that the Board of Harvey County Commissioners hereby requests, directs, and authorizes the Harvey County Public Building Commission to initiate the pre-application process with USDA Rural Development to secure, under the USDA Community

Facilities program, long-term financing for the construction of the Harvey County Replacement Fairgrounds Project located at Southwest 36th Street and Kansas Avenue, Harvey County, Kansas, and that staff be directed and authorized to act on behalf of Harvey County in discussions with USDA and in completion and provision of any documents necessary to this pre-application process. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Kevin Timmermeyer, Airport Supervisor, presented a request from Avcon Industries to expand the Hangar M building by 22,000 square feet. Twelve thousand feet would be used as hangar area and the balance would be used as office area and storage space. This would create eight new jobs. Once the expansion is complete, Hangar 1 will be released back to the Airport for use as a community hangar. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion that Harvey County, in union with the City of Newton, support bond funding for the expansion of Hangar M for Avcon Industries, in an amount not to exceed 1.4 million dollars. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Scott Davies, Planning and Zoning Director, has joined with four other counties to form the Chisholm Trail Development committee to facilitate the designation of the Chisholm Trail as a National Historic Trail. Each of the Commissions of the five counties involved is being asked to support this designation by passing a resolution. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2010-12**, to recommend and support designation by the Congress of the United States of America of the Chisholm Trail as a National Historic Trail. Landowner participation is voluntary. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Scott Davies presented the proposed 2011 budget for the Planning and Zoning Department. The budget represented an increase of approximately \$1,400, which is due to a new line item for Planning Commission expenses. The Commission will take the proposed budget under advisement.

Mr. Davies also presented the proposed Environmental budget for 2011. The budget increased only very slightly. The Commission will take the proposed budget under advisement.

Commissioner Roberson will inquire as to whether the Quad County meeting can be held at Sand Creek Golf Course.

John Waltner confirmed that he has talked with Jim Heinecke, who is willing to help the County with the preparation of budgets and the preparation of the application for bond money for the fairgrounds project.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

THE BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

George A. "Chip" Westfall, Chairman

ATTEST:

Ron Krehbiel, Member

Joyce Truskett, County Clerk

Marge Roberson, Member