The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on November 8, 2010 with all three Commissioners present. Chairman Westfall called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:
1. Commissioner Roberson suggested that the county consider leadership classes to engage citizens with how county government works.

CALENDAR ITEMS:
1. There will be an executive meeting of the CDDO board later this afternoon. The State of Kansas is reducing the amount of basis money that is provided for each client which will cause a shortfall of about $1,500 to $3,000 for the CDDO.

Minutes of the November 1, 2010 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Roberson, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of the November 5, 2010 election canvass were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Roberson.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:
1. John Waltner gave an update on Charlie Summers, the former Harvey County Fiscal Officer who is currently in Wesley Hospital.
2. The Commissioners will leave following the meeting to view the newly completed bridge on West 12th Street.
3. Anthony Swartzendruber and John Waltner will meet with Suzanne Loomis, City Engineer, and Randy Jackson regarding a concern raised by Jason Mitchell at a commission meeting regarding recycling requirements for multi-family housing.
4. Phil Adams, Road & Bridge Supervisor, requested permission to purchase a new older model Rhino mower for ditch mowing. The mower had been purchased from a dealer that had gone out of business and the asking price is $12,900. Mr. Adams had originally planned to purchase a Schulte Demo Mower for $18,000. Purchasing the Rhino mower would save $5,100. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to authorize the purchase of a new older model Rhino mower from the Wichita Tractor Company. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
5. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2010-29, setting the holiday schedule for 2011 holidays. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
6. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2010-30.
requesting a waiver from GAAP reporting in the preparation of the Harvey County comprehensive financial statements and reports. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

7. Jo Miller, Director of the Health Department, presented a proposed Harvey County Breastfeeding Policy in response to mandated federal guidelines for employees who are nursing mothers. Commissioner Roberson made a motion to approve the Harvey County breastfeeding policy as presented. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

8. Kass Miller, Park Ranger, reported on the issue of lead paint removal in the county owned park residences. According to KDHE, the person performing the work must be a certified renovator. The application fee to become a certified renovator is $200. In addition, each person must attend a class in order to complete certification. The tuition for the class is $150. The Commission directed that there be at least one person from East Lake, West Park, and the Courthouse that needs to be certified.

9. Phil Adams reported that all the footings for the replacement of the culvert on Harvest Hill road have been poured.

10. Sheriff T. Walton invited the Commission to attend a melodrama fundraiser put on by Heart to Heart Friday evening at the Fox Theater. The cost to attend is $7.00. He also reported that the Detention Center was at maximum capacity last Wednesday. Sheriff’s deputies were brought in to help with some disturbances that occurred. There are currently 35 federal prisoners being housed at the Detention Center.

CITIZEN’S FORUM:

Byron Warta reported that the State Budget Director is optimistic for the first time in the last couple of years.

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

Lonnie Buller, Director of Emergency Management, and Scott Davies, Director of Planning and Zoning, presented proposed service driveway standards for Harvey County. Discussion has been held with the local fire districts, as to driveway accommodations for emergency vehicles which have increased in size and weight. Improved driveway standards are for the property owners protection in case of an emergency, allowing the vehicles quicker access. The new standards are to provide for all-weather access for emergency vehicles to access structures in areas where any part of the structure is located more than 200 feet from the publicly maintained road. Commissioner Roberson made a motion to approve the proposed service drive standards for Harvey County in order to provide some uniformity and a minimum standard for emergency vehicles to access properties. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Mr. Buller informed the Commission that there is a meeting scheduled for Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. with the fire chiefs to discuss burn ban regulations. Information will be presented to the
Commissioner Roberson made a motion to implement and authorize the Chairman to sign a burn ban for the next week, authorizing the Emergency Management Director to extend the ban if necessary since the Commission will not be meeting next week. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Denise Bruce, Deb Ary, and Lynn Moore, from the City of Wichita, updated the Commission on the progress and plans for the Aquifer Storage Recharge project in Harvey County. They presented maps and a timeline of upcoming construction projects. The also reported that they have met with both Harvey and Sedgwick County Sheriffs, setting out requirements for all construction vehicles involved in the project. Vehicles will be required to maintain a 40 mph speed limit and will be identified with hang tags on the rear view mirrors. An open house will be held on December 10 at the ASR Field Office near Sedgwick.

Due to the downturn in the economy and other factors, the decision has been made to delay the construction of the fairgrounds project until at least 2012. However, there are pre-construction and planning costs that have already been incurred. Kevin Cowan, bond counsel, explained that in order to receive bond money for the payment of architecture and engineering fees for the fairgrounds project, the Commission will need to pass a resolution which will then be published for two consecutive weeks. Public Building Commission Chairman Eugene Wendling called the PBC meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. PBC meeting to order at 11:15 a.m. Byron Motter nominated Richard Denno to be Secretary of the PBC. Tim Johnson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Richard Denno made a motion to approve PBC Resolution No. 2010-01, allowing the payment of certain planning and design costs for the Harvey County Fairgrounds project. The motion was seconded by Byron Motter and passed unanimously. Byron Motter made a motion to adjourn the PBC at 11:20 a.m. Richard Denno seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Roberson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2010-32, authorizing and providing for the construction of storm water drainage improvements in the county and authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds of the county to pay the costs thereof. This project is related to the construction of the Kansas Logistics Park. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Roberson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2010-33, requesting Harvey County, Kansas, Public Building Commission to issue revenue bonds in an amount not to exceed $460,000 for the purpose of paying all or a portion of the costs to acquire a site for county fairground purposes in Harvey County, Kansas. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Roberson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2010-31, authorizing the sale of $299,000 in general obligation temporary notes for jail roof repair, which is amending Resolution No. 2010-27, dated October 18, 2010.
At 12:10 p.m. Commissioner Roberson made a motion to go into executive session for a period of ten minutes to discuss trade secrets and economic development. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Also in attendance for the session were John Waltner, Anthony Swartzendruber, Counselor Greg Nye, and Joyce Truskett.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

THE BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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George A. “Chip” Westfall, Chairman

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ATTEST:                      Ron Krehbiel, Member

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Joyce Truskett, County Clerk    Marge Roberson, Member