

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

July 18, 2011

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on July 18, 2011 with all three commissioners present. Chairman Krehbiel called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

1. Commissioner Westfall reported that he talked last week with Delmer Wiebe, a resident of Pleasant Township, regarding road problems in the Township. He also talked with Richard Schroeder, Township officer, who agreed to talk to Mr. Wiebe about the issues. The road grader used by the Township to maintain the roads has been unusable due to mechanical problems.
2. The Commissioners discussed the announcement by Governor Sam Brownback that a new company, New Millenium Wind Energy, has chosen to build a facility at the Kansas Logistics Park.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. The regularly scheduled Aviation Board meeting for later today has been cancelled.
1. The Farm Bureau breakfast meeting will be held August 15 at 7:00 a.m.
2. The Commissioners will travel to Tulsa, OK tomorrow to tour the Port of Catoosa.

Minutes of the July 11 regular Commission meeting and July 13 special Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Roberson, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Sheriff T. Walton reported that Deputy Jake Westfall graduated last Friday from the Law Enforcement Academy.
2. Byron Warta expressed gratitude for the remarks made on behalf of Harvey County by Chairman Krehbiel at the announcement about the New Millenium Company.
3. Lonnie Buller, Director of Emergency Management, reported that there were three grass fires over the weekend. The conditions in the County are very dry with temperatures over 100 degrees everyday. The Commission agreed that the new burning regulations have eliminated the need for a county wide burn ban.
4. The Commissioners discussed the possibility of obtaining name badges for County employees who work with the public. Lonnie Buller, Director of Emergency Management, presented several different options for name badges, and explained that the badges could be produced in his Department. All of the Commissioners expressed support for the badges. Commissioner Westfall

- suggested that the County develop a system so the badges could also be used for other purposes such as purchasing.
5. Lonnie also gave the Commissioners information about an Incident Command System course for executives and senior officials, including elected officials. The course will provide an orientation to the Incident Command System and the role of these officials in support of ICS. The course will be held at the Wichita Airport Hilton on September 14.
 6. The joint meeting with Ed O'Malley (Kansas Leadership Council) and the City of Newton will be rescheduled to August 29.
 7. John Waltner informed the Commission that the 2nd closing for the Habitat for Humanity house has occurred. There were two projects that benefited from Neighborhood Stabilization funds, one at 523 Old Main in Newton and the other at 314 Glendale in Newton.
 8. The Commissioners received information regarding the results of ground water sampling wells drilled in two locations in the Courthouse parking lots. The report indicated no benzene or other harmful chemicals were found.
 9. The Special Committee on Redistricting will hold a public hearing on July 26 at the Wichita State University Hughes Metroplex to discuss redistricting.
 10. The Commission received a letter from the Kansas Department of Agriculture, Department of Water Resources, prohibiting water diversions from the Little Arkansas River and its tributaries. The River did not meet the minimum desirable streamflow, as required by the Water Appropriations Act, for seven consecutive days. The river flows through Harvey County West Park.
 11. A Memorandum of Agreement between Health Ministries, Prairie View, and the Harvey County Health Department has been signed and will be presented for Commission signatures at next week's meeting.
 12. Craig Clough, Appraiser, reported that the appeal that was filed with the State Court of Tax Appeals to exempt from taxation the ranger house located at East Lake has been denied.
 13. Counselor Greg Nye presented **Resolution No. 2011-20** providing the rules for operating golf carts at West Park and East Park. The resolution does not provide for carts at Camp Hawk. Commissioner Roberson made a motion to approve the resolution and Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
 14. Jim Meier, Road and Bridge Superintendant, explained the placement of the stop signs at Meridian and 72nd Street. Although the heaviest traffic on the road will now have a stop sign, the placement deals with a blind spot at that location.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

There were no items presented during Citizen's Forum.

Warrant checks in the amount of \$127,881.27 and handwritten checks in the amount of \$10,685.00 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Roberson, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously.

At 10:15 a.m. Paul Ferguson, Engineer with Poe & Associates, opened bids for the 2011 overlay

project. The project consists of 3.42 miles of overlay on Northwest 36th Street and .04 miles of overlay on South Ridge Road as a deductive alternate. Three bids were received and all bids included the required 5% bid bond. The bids received are as follows:

APAC Kansas, Shears Division	NW 36 th Street	\$322,585.00
	South Ridge Road	16,787.36
	Total Cost	339,372.36
	Starting date on or about September 1	
Cornejo and Sons, Inc	NW 36 th Street	\$374,766.60
	South Ridge Road	22,812.00
	Total Cost	397,578.60
	Starting date on or about September 6	
LaFarge North America	NW 36 th Street	\$314,777.83
	South Ridge Road	20,995.59
	Total Cost	335,773.42
	Starting Date on or about September 26	

Commissioner Westfall made a motion to accept the low bid from LaFarge North America to overlay both NW 36th Street and South Ridge Road for the total amount of \$335,773.42, providing all specifications are met. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Lloyd Stoddard, Shannon Metz, and Kass Miller, Park Rangers at West Park and East Lake presented a price comparison of rental fees for facilities similar to the West Park Community Building. The comparisons are as follows:

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Table & Chairs</u>	<u>Per Day</u>	<u>Clean Up Deposit</u>	<u>Alcohol Deposit</u>
Community Building West Park	150 Sit or 240 Stand	Yes	\$100	\$100	\$100
Boy Scout Cabin Halstead	40 Sit 85 Stand	Yes	\$ 50	\$ 50	No Alcohol
Flickinger Building Burrton	60 Sit 100 Stand	Yes	\$35	\$50	
Old Mill Buhler	225 Sit	Yes	\$475	\$300	None

The Rangers will draft a new fee policy for the West Park Building and present it to the Commission for approval.

Scott Davies, Director of Planning & Zoning, presented a request by Ira M. Frey for permission to create a parcel eligible for a residential building permit as permitted in Article 9, Section 9.05

of the Harvey County Uniform Development Code. This provision allows parcels of less than 40 acres to be eligible for a residential building permit if the property has characteristics which cause them to have a low level of productivity for agricultural purposes. The request is for a split off of approximately 37.5 acres from a 155 acre parcel located in the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 17 of Garden Township. The request was considered by the Regional Planning Commission and 8 voted in favor and 0 opposed. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to accept the zoning board recommendation and approve the split off. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

The Commissioners received three bids for the Commission Room technology upgrade which includes a projector, manual or electronic screen, sound system, cables, plates, connectors, labor, setup, and training. The bids are as follows:

Kent Audio Visual	w/Electronic Screen	\$4,517
	w/Manual Screen	3,988
Kucharo Sound	w/Electronic Screen	\$4,785
	w/Manual Screen	4,177
McClelland Sound	w/Electronic Screen	\$10,507
	w/Manual Screen	10,120

Commissioner Westfall made a motion to accept the low bid of \$3,988 from Kent Audio to upgrade the technology and install a manual screen for the Commission Room. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

At 11:25 a.m. Commissioner Roberson made a motion to go into executive session for a period of 15 minutes to discuss economic development and proprietary issues. Commissioner Westfall 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. Executive session ended at 11:40 a.m. with no action being taken.

Anthony Swartzendruber presented the 2012 budget books to the Commissioners. The Commissioners will meet Friday, July 22 for a special budget meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Ron Krehbiel, Chairman

ATTEST:

Marge Roberson, Member

Joyce Truskett, County Clerk

George A. "Chip" Westfall, Member