

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

February 27, 2012

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on February 27, 2012 with all three Commissioners present. Chairman Roberson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

1. Commissioner Westfall showed the article in the Harvey County Independent about the bridge closure on SW 96th and asked if John Huebert, the resident in the article, had been in contact with administration.
2. Commissioner Roberson reported that the Kansas Logistics Park Development Authority (KLPDA) meeting went well.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. Commissioner Roberson added the Kansas Logistics Park Development Authority (KLPDA) meeting on March 9 at 9:00 a.m.
2. There will be a Port of Catoosa meeting on March 12.

Minutes of the February 21, 2012 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. Anthony Swartzendruber reported on the progress of the Austin Peters Group, Inc. classification and compensation study that is in progress. He stated that most of the employee surveys have been completed and sent to Austin Peters and that meetings/interviews have been scheduled this week and next with all employees. He commended everyone for the quick turnaround of the surveys.
2. Roy Patton, Director of Solid Waste, reported on the meeting that he and John Waltner had with ICM Inc. on Friday, February 24th. He said that they proposed a 90 ton per day gasifier to convert trash to energy. Previous proposals have been based on much higher tons per day units. He stated that he is more optimistic than he has ever been about this project becoming reality.
3. Jim Meier reported that he has hired a new employee. He also reported that the tree trimming project has been completed. He updated the Commission on the status of the engine problems they have been having with a 4WD pickup. He said that after exploring the options, a new engine is needed at a cost of about \$10,000. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to move forward with the purchase of the new engine from Jasper Engines & Transmissions, Inc.. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

There were no citizens present for Citizen's Forum.

Anthony Swartzendruber presented the sales tax revenue figures for February. He stated that the numbers are down from last year, but last year was a lot higher than normal.

Warrant checks in the amount of \$74,079.62 and hand written checks in the amount of \$290.50 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Krehbiel, seconded by Commissioner Westfall. Motion passed unanimously.

At 10:10 a.m. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to go into executive session for a period of 5 minutes to discuss Attorney/Client privilege matters. 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 Deputy Clerk Rick Piepho. Executive session ended at 10:15 a.m. with no action being taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

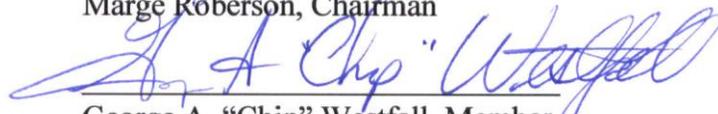
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ATTEST:


Joyce Truskett, County Clerk


Marge Roberson, Chairman


George A. "Chip" Westfall, Member


Ron Krehbiel, Member