

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF HARVEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

January 9, 2012

The Board of Harvey County Commissioners met in regular session on January 9, 2012 with all three commissioners present. Chairman Krehbiel called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. following the REAP meeting.

ITEMS ADDED TO AGENDA:

1. Commissioner Westfall stated that the County should respond to the State about the cessation of state funding for the Local Environmental Protection Program. The State has requested that the program continue, but they will no longer be contributing any funding. One of the uses of the funding was to make sure that water systems that cross county lines do not become contaminated. The cost of this will now fall completely to Harvey County. The Commissioners agreed that notification should be sent to the KDHE, the Governor, and each of our legislators stating that this is a very important program that needs to have continued funding from the State.
2. Chairman Krehbiel has been approached by a food vendor about how the vendor for the Detention Center is chosen. Sheriff Walton said that the food is currently being purchased from the Ben E. Keith Company. Although there is not a contract with the vendor, in 2009 they submitted the lowest proposal for the food. Sheriff Walton agreed to talk to the vendor.

CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. The annual Township dinner will be held at the Road & Bridge Department on February 13.
2. There will be a meeting of the Kansas Logistics Park Development Authority on January 31.

Minutes of the January 3, 2012 Commission meeting were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Commissioner Roberson. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Westfall made a motion to appoint Commissioner Roberson as Chairperson of the Commission for the year of 2012. Commissioner Krehbiel seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to appoint Commissioner Westfall as Vice-Chairman for the year of 2012. Chairman Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel, the Commissioners were appointed to the following boards:

Chairman Roberson	Local Emergency Planning Commission Coordinated Transit Board Harvey County Council of Governments REAP Board Alternate Public-Private Partnership KLP Development Authority
Commissioner Krehbiel	Board of Community Corrections Regional Youth Advisory Board Central Kansas Solid Waste Authority Little Arkansas River Water Board (WRAP)
Commissioner Westfall	Aviation Board REAP Board Public Building Commission Fairgrounds Site Development Committee Chamber Breakfast Representative KLP Development Authority Alternate

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

1. John Waltner noted that the Commission Room has now been updated with new window blinds and paint.
2. John introduced Gina Bell as the new Planning and Zoning Director.
3. Lloyd Stoddard, West Park Supervisor, and Shannon Metz, West Park Ranger, reported that the Boy Scout Jamboree will take place this weekend at the park. An estimated 5,000 and 6,000 boy scouts will attend. The Commissioners also signed the resolution for the 2012 Parks regulations that was passed last week.
4. The Commissioners will plan a trip to Pawnee County to look at several railroad car bridges and culverts. They will try to go before the end of the month.
5. There are several changes taking place at East Park. The ranger house was removed because it was no longer safe to inhabit. It has also been decided to close the bait shop and use that facility as a work shop and storage area. Kass Miller, East Lake Supervisor, was approached last week by a person who has experience in running bait shops and would like to keep the bait shop open. The Commissioners chose to continue with the plans to close the bait shop.
6. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to reappoint Ron Krehbiel and George Rogers of Harvey County as non-lawyer members of the Ninth District Judicial Nominating Commission, terms to commence on March 5, 2012 and end on March 7, 2016. Chairman Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
7. The Commissioners received a copy of the KAC dues, which includes an adjustment for the year 2012. The extra fees are to be used to pay for extra lobbying costs.

8. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve **Resolution No 2012-4**, setting the salaries for Harvey County Department Heads beginning January 7, 2012. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
9. The Commissioners approved a letter of thanks to be sent to Dave Griffin of the Van Keppel Company for negotiating a \$6,714 reduction to a substantial repair bill on a road grader.
10. Sheriff T. Walton reported that in 2011 the County has received \$1,020,000 in revenue for the housing of prisoners. In the month of December, the County received \$98,000 in revenue, which is the largest month ever. There are currently 122 inmates at the jail. There is a men's work release unit that cannot be used until some repairs are completed. He also reported that he serves on a state child safety review board. He reported that there are more budget cuts and confusion coming and there are also proposed changes with SRS.
11. Jim Meier, Road & Bridge Superintendent, reported that there is a crew on South East Lake Road collecting excess material from the road and placing it on another road. They will also be doing some ditch cleaning there. The final steps for the bridge closures that were discussed last week will be on the agenda for next week.
12. Counselor Greg Nye reported that he is working on the contract with OT Cab to provide public transportation. Rich Hanley, Director of Department on Aging, has sent a copy of the contract draft to KDOT to make sure it meets all specifications. This will need to be finalized by the end of January.
13. Byron Warta reported that there is a meeting with HNTB scheduled on January 13. There will be Kansas Water Authority meetings held on January 23, 24, and 25th. It has been reported that KDOT has shown some interest in assisting with dam inspections. This will probably be discussed at the water meeting.
14. Becky Fields, Treasurer, reported that they are working on a tax foreclosure sale.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

There were no citizens present for Citizen's Forum.

Warrant checks in the amount of \$202,297.40 for the week of 1/6/12 were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Westfall, seconded by Commissioner Krehbiel. Motion passed unanimously.

Sheriff T. Walton presented information on proposals for the contract for medical services for the Detention Center. He reported that he received 4 proposals last fall. Harvey County has a purchasing policy in place that provides that the Board of Commissioners review these types of contracts in which the purchase price exceeds \$10,000. John Waltner signed a waiver, since this process did not go through the procedural requirements and bids were received before the Board approved the request for proposal. Conmed, a healthcare management firm from Maryland, proposed \$302,760 per year to provide physician services, nurse services, and medications. Health Ministries proposed providing physician services for \$38,400 per year, but then pulled the proposal because they were not organizationally ready. Emergent Services, who is the current contractor, bid \$39,996.96 per year. Dr. Ronald Morford, who currently serves as the Coroner

for Harvey County, bid \$38,400 per year. Commissioner Westfall asked if a conflict of interest existed because he was once an employee of Dr. Morford. The County Counselor verified that it would be OK to vote on the contract. Counselor Nye stated that since he was not a current employee, it was not an issue. Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to approve the bid with Dr. Morford to provide medical services for the Detention Center for the amount of \$38,400 per year. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Sheriff Walton presented the "Invitation to Bidders" that was sent to vehicle dealers for the purchase of five new 2011 or 2012 Chevy Tahoe PPVs. The bid invitation was initially sent in December and stated that the bids must be received at the Harvey County Sheriff's Office by 3:00 p.m. on January 11 at which time they would be opened. Commissioner Westfall made a motion to approve the bid proposal and the changes to the time and place of the bid opening. Although the bids are to be received by January 11, they will remain sealed and be opened on January 17, at or around 10:30 a.m. in the County Commission Room. Commissioner Roberson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Anthony Swartzendruber presented personnel policy manual revisions for approval. The changes include the following:

- Vacation days for employees who do not work with cash or handle financial records will not be required to be taken in five consecutive days.
- Retired employees will not be eligible for reinstatement, but may be eligible for reemployment.
- Vacation and sick leave accrual and usage rates are clarified.
- If an employee is covered with short-term disability insurance offered through the County, vacation time and sick leave time may be retained while the employee is on unpaid leave.

Commissioner Krehbiel made a motion to accept the personnel policy manual revisions as noted. Commissioner Westfall seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

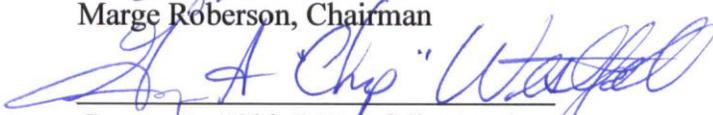
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ATTEST:


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Marge Roberson, Chairman


George A. "Chip" Westfall, Member


Ron Krehbiel, Member