

The Board of Brown County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Chairman Dwight A. Kruse, Keith Olsen, and Richard L. Lehmkuhl. Also present was Brown County Clerk Melissa Gormley. County Attorney Kevin Hill was present for a portion of the meeting. Dwight A. Kruse opened the meeting at 8:10 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. Commissioner Lehmkuhl led the meeting with a prayer.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

The May 31, 2020, month-end claims were approved as follows:

001 General	\$126,420.97
103 Road & Bridge	31,756.71
123 Historical Society	4,375.00
125 Employee Benefit	78,006.84
127 Election	688.76
129 Extension	8,500.00
131 Mental Health	5,850.00
133 Developmental Services	2,254.33
143 Appraiser	776.48
145 Ambulance	21,250.00
147 Noxious Weed	5,409.16
155 Diversion	526.53
160 911 SB50	5,832.75
165 ACC	2,406.93
167 JJCR	1,884.74
168 Reinvestment Grant	54.00
201 Services for Elderly	3,391.01
211 Solid Waste	46,504.15
909 Payroll	186.64
TOTAL	\$346,075.00

PAYROLL

The May 20, 2020, payroll was approved as follows:

General	\$72,371.93
Road & Bridge	13,125.59
Election	245.77
Technology	626.07
Appraiser	6,063.70
Noxious Weed	1,823.63
ACC	10,798.74
JJA Core	10,256.35
Reinvestment Grant	3,260.76
Services for Elderly	2,814.00
Solid Waste	4,436.50
Special MVT	2,720.00
Employee Ben FICA	7,544.23
Employee Ben KPERS	9,320.94
State Unemploy/Work Comp	-342.91
Insurance	-11,818.10
TOTAL	\$133,247.20

MINUTES

Motion by Keith Olsen to approve the May 18, 2020, minutes. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

TAX CHANGE ORDER

Tax Change Order 2019-77 was approved and signed.

ROAD & BRIDGE PERMIT 20-03

Motion by Richard Lehmkuhl to approve Road and Bridge Permit 20-03. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2020-08

Motion by Keith Olsen to resign Resolution 2020-08. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

COURTHOUSE

AT&T requested use of the Courthouse lawn. The request died due to lack of motion.

CUSTODIAN

Dave Schuetz, Head Custodian, asked for clarification on what was going to happen with the third floor when they opened back up on Monday.

COVID19

Chastity Schumann, Brown County Health Officer, John Broberg, Hiawatha Community Hospital CEO, and Don Pounds, Brown County Emergency Manager, met with the commission via video conferencing. Commissioner Kruse opened the floor to discussion about opening the county. Schumann thanked the residents of Brown County for being vigilant. She recommended moving to Phase III. Broberg recommended that residents wear masks. The commission reviewed recommendations from the health department, making several changes. Judge Patton stated that screening had to continue for the court. Patton reviewed orders from the Supreme Court.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Brown County Commissioner Dwight Kruse, requested a ten minute executive session. Motion by Keith Olsen for a ten minute Executive Session on non-elected personnel with the three Commissioners, present to discuss personnel matter of non-elected personnel with executive session necessary to protect privacy interests. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Closed 10:00 a.m. Opened 10:10 a.m. No binding action was taken.

HEALTH SCREENING

Motion by Keith Olsen to hire Mary Oswald, RN, to screen the courthouse entrance at the rate of \$20.00/hour, paid from commission fund, starting June 1, 2020 until July 1, 2020, and reevaluate at that time. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

Motion by Richard Lehmkuhl to pay Mary Oswald \$20.00/hour for the previous two weeks. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

COURTHOUSE

Brown County Treasurer, Cheryl Lippold, discussed opening the courthouse. Lippold explained how the card system will work to prevent overcrowding and encourage social distancing. The card system will allow three people in an office at one time. The security guard will give the card to the customer, the customer goes to the office, then returns the card to the security desk for the next customer to use.

Motion by Keith Olsen to accept the new courthouse guidelines, Phase 2 effective June 1, 2020, through June 15, 2020. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

BROWN COUNTY RE-OPENING PLAN

Motion by Keith Olsen to pass Phase III, Emergency Order and Advisory of Local Health Officer, reopening Brown County, effective May 29, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. until June 8, 2020. Seconded by Richard Lehmkuhl. Motion carried.

SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY

Services for the Elderly Director, Lori Gray, was present to discuss the taxi service and the senior center. Gray suggested only allowing two riders per day.

Motion by Richard Lehmkuhl to open the taxi service following guidelines and only allowing two passengers per day. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried.

APPRAISER

County Appraiser, Steve Markham, reviewed values that were certified to the County Clerk.

Motion by Richard Lehmkuhl to adjourn. Seconded by Keith Olsen. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, June 1, 2020.

ATTEST:

MELISSA GORMLEY,
COUNTY CLERK

APPROVED BY:

DWIGHT A. KRUSE, CHAIRMAN

KEITH OLSEN, MEMBER

RICHARD L. LEHMKUHL, MEMBER