Funding help sought for Horton project (KNZA)--The city of Horton is requesting Brown County help the city with matching funds for a grant to be sought for the replacement of the Civic Center roof.

Horton City Administrator John Calhoon and Mayor Bryan Stirton met with the Brown County Commission Monday to make the request.

County Commission Chairman Keith Olsen is currently working on an application for a Heritage Trust Fund grant through the Kansas Historical Society. The grant, which is due by November 1, requires a 20 percent local match.

Stirton said the Civic Center was constructed by the WPA in 1937-39. Calhoon said the building is currently primarily used for agricultural activities. Olson said the current roof is more than 20 years old.

It was the consensus of the Commission to wait until more information is received before making a decision on the city's request.

In other business, county resident Steve Lukert met with the Commission to further discuss a request to have a three-mile stretch of old 75 Highway stripped from U. S. 36 north to Sabetha for safety reasons.

Brown and Nemaha Counties currently share maintenance responsibility for the road.

Lukert plans to meet with the Nemaha County Commission next week.

Commissioners requested Lukert come back with some cost figures.

Following an executive session, the Commission accepted the resignation of District 3 Road foreman Todd Gruber with regret. The resignation is effective September 27

According to his letter of resignation, Gruber has accepted a position with Walnut Township.

He has been with the county for 11 years.

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