

County approves funding for Horton project

(KNZA)--The Brown County Commission has agreed to provide funding toward the replacement of the Horton Civic Center roof.

Plans are to seek a \$90,000 Heritage Trust Fund grant through the Kansas Historical Society for the project. The grant requires a 20 percent local match.

Horton City Administrator John Calhoon and Mayor Bryan Stirton meet with the commission Monday to request the county split the match with the city.

The Commission voted to provide up to \$12,000, contingent upon approval of the grant and other funds being raised.

Plans are to replace the current shingles with a metal roof. The current roof is more than 20 years ago.

Three bids were received for the project. Selected was Lanter SPS Roofing Systems, of Hiawatha, with a bid for \$119,750.

County Commission Chairman Keith Olsen is preparing the grant application, which is due by November 1.

Also an application has been submitted to place the Civic Center building on the Historic Register of Kansas Places.

The building was constructed by the WPA in 1937-39.

It is primarily used for agricultural activities—including the Brown County Fair and Better Beef Days.

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