

Courthouse elevator to be repaired after fire

(KNZA)--The Brown County Courthouse elevator will be repaired following a fire last week.

The Brown County Commission Monday accepted a proposal from MEI Total Elevator Solutions, of Kansas City, for the repair, which will include a complete hydraulic pump unit upgrade at a cost of \$18,407.

The repair work is to be done in late November. The elevator will remain out of service until that time.

The company said they would expedite the repair work at a additional cost of nearly \$5,200, but couldn't guarantee that it would be done before the November 6 election.

County Clerk Melissa Gormley says the county's insurance carrier estimated damage from last Wednesday's fire at \$20,000.

No one was on the elevator at time of the fire.

The elevator, which is 38 years old, was just inspected last month.

Due to the elevator being down, advance voting for the November 6 election has been moved to the Commissioners room on the first floor of the courthouse.

The October 31 and November 5 Commissioner's meetings will be held in the 1st floor lobby.

If you are unable to use the courthouse stairs, county officials say you tell the security guard and he will contact the appropriate office and they will be glad to come to you.

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