

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JANUARY 8, 2018
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 8, 2018 in the Commissioners' room at 811 Washington, Concordia, Kansas with Chairman Bill Czapanskiy, Members Gary Caspers and Bill Garrison, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager; Brian Marks, Sheriff; JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Highway Department Employee's David Lanoue, Rick Casey, Jimmy Workman, Jeff Baker and Greg Dockins; Sheriff / Jail employees Teresa Benson, Roberta Alexander, and Nick Patterson.

Others attending: Lea Throckmorton, District Court Clerk; Tyler Husa, River Valley Extension District; and Laura and Damon Christensen.

Ten employees were recognized for their service to the County. Employee recognized for 24 years of service included, Jeff Baker, Greg Dockins and Teresa Benson; 16 years of service David Lanoue, Rick Casey and Andy Asch; 8 years of service Jimmy Workman, Brian Marks, Nicholas Patterson, and Roberta Alexander.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported that bid ads were placed in the newspapers and on the radio.

Department Head Meeting – 9:15 – 10:07 a.m.

Lea Throckmorton, District Court Clerk – Assisting with a project that will allow counties with smaller work loads to assist counties with larger loads. Legislatures returned to Topeka today; possibly significant cuts to budgets.

Tyler Husa, River Valley Extension District – Will be attending various meetings including the Cover Crop program in Clay Center; Farm Management program February 26th and 4-H Club days will be January 27th.

Jerry Collins, IT Director – Resetting programs for the new year. Intends to switch the Sheriff's Office servers sooner than planned.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator – Working on Tree Trimming. Eight employees attending NIMS training Tuesday. Open position in the Department.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser – Working on a new computer for the map room.

Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator – TDAP vaccines are in for the Cocoon Project. Influenza is on the increase; flu shots are still available. Working on a Worksite Wellness Program. RN position open in the department. Finishing last quarter grants and working on a Vision / Hearing equipment grant; new equipment is needed and will cost \$12,000 - \$13,000. NIMS training on Tuesday.

Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager – Servicing air handlers this week and ordered parts for thermostats. Working on adding a door at the Health Department. Waxing floors at the Courthouse.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk – County Offices will be closed on Monday January 15th. The day was a reward for meeting the Food Collection Challenge.

The Board asked Departments to think about ways we can show employees our appreciation for a job well done.

JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer – Collected 60.79% of the \$18.8 million tax roll, which is average. Tax distribution later this month.

Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator reported she was working on a Worksite Wellness Program, she was acquiring information from WSU and would report back.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported that Cloud County would host the NCK Highway Officials meeting on April 4th. On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the wage change for Richard Kindel, Truck Foremen, from \$14.92 to \$16.54 effective January 7, 2018.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the wage change for Perry Pearce, Bridge Foremen, from \$14.92 to \$16.54 effective January 7, 2018.

Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manger discussed the purchase of additional chairs and tables for the meeting rooms; Thoman reported they were waiting on new pricing for a lower quantity than previously acquired. On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a 10-minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel beginning at 10:54 a.m.; including Henry Eilert, Robert Walsh and Shella Thoman.

JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer presented new bank signature cards.

The Board reviewed the Composition of Cash Balances and Investments report and Fund Status report as of December 31, 2017 totaling \$17,184,650.35.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2018-1 designating all Cloud County Banks as County Depositories.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2017-2 concerning a waiver of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2017-3 designating the Concordia Blade-Empire the official county newspaper.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the hiring of Larry Henderson as Recycling Sorter at the Recycling Center effective January 16, 2018 at an introductory rate of \$13.00 per hour.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the hiring of Laken Schroeder as part-time clerk in the Register of Deeds office at a rate of \$11.00 per hour beginning January 3, 2018. Wages will be paid from the Register of Deeds Tech Fund.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved adopting the job description "Recycling sorter" as a full-time position at the Recycling Center.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Gary Caspers as Chairman for 2018.

The Board approved the following expenses totaling \$207,048.50.

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| General Fund – \$126,676.74 | Road & Bridge – \$9,593.33 |
| Special Bridge - \$960.00 | Juvenile Justice - \$258.37 |
| Community Correc - \$587.82 | Appraisal - \$144.71 |
| Co. Tourism & Conv. - \$282.19 | Vending Machines - \$21.00 |
| County Health - \$3,826.78 | Noxious Weed - \$17.57 |
| Election - \$394.82 | Solid Waste - \$336.17 |
| Employee Benefits - \$63,949.00 | |

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements 2018-1 thru 2018-3 totaling \$2,550.28.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board will accept Wind Farm Grant Applications through March 30th.

The Board adjourned at 12:08 p.m., until Tuesday, January 16, 2018.