

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS  
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS  
DECEMBER 23, 2019  
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 23, 2019 in the Commissioners' room at 811 Washington, Concordia, Kansas with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Bill Czapanskiy and Bill Garrison, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Rob Walsh, County Attorney; Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Brandi Bray, Health Department; and Brent Gering, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending: Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken LLP (by conference call)

Rob Walsh, County Attorney and Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken LLP (by conference call) discussed the Law Enforcement Center and the air leaks on the north wall. Hoch will visit with Tom Richards and Orazem & Scalora Engineering (OSE).

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed purchasing a 2018 Kenworth truck that was used for trade shows. The truck has 30,600 miles, will have a new truck warranty, has an original price of \$141,100 and can be purchased for \$82,500. The Board approved the purchase. Asch discussed Lowboy prices ranging from \$56,562 to \$78,778.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2019-18 allowing the transfer of unused funds from Road & Bridge, not to exceed 25% of the Road & Bridge budget, to Special Machinery fund.

Brent Gering, Emergency Preparedness Director discussed Stop the Bleed kits to be put in County vehicles at a cost of \$40.00 each, the Emergency Preparedness (EM) job description and reported he has contacted Purple Wave to list the old EM vehicle. Asch will take care of the listing following Gering's departure.

Brandi Bray, Health Department reported that Hood's started on the replacement units today, discussed encumbering funds for additional replacement units and the Safe Kids Coalition.

Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager presented quotes for a replacement snowblower. The Board asked Eilert to price replacing only the motor on the current machine.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director presented the solid waste agreement with Republic County and reported they are scheduled to sell 4 loads of cardboard from the Recycling Center.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the Solid Waste contract with Republic County for 2020 at a rate of \$68.73 per ton.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk reported that she spoke to KCAMP regarding the KBI investigation at the Law Enforcement Center and filed a liability claim. Thoman and Marks, individually, discussed administrative leave with pay for the employees currently on leave with KCAMP's attorney assist; the recommendation was 4 weeks with pay based on a 40-hour work week. Thoman has prepared and sent paperwork to Marks for approval. All Law Enforcement credit cards through UMB were cancelled and have been reissued.

The Board discussed the wage increase for Marlene Stamm. The standard increase for all of Washington County employees is 4% as previously budgeted. All Counties sharing services are required to approve salary adjustments.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved a 4% increase for Marlene Stamm, NCK Environmental Sanitarian for the year 2020.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2019-19 establishing the wage scale for employees of Cloud County for the pay dates in the year 2020.

The Board discussed refinancing the Law Enforcement Center bonds. Projections sent by PiperJaffray show an estimated present value savings of \$425,620 - \$447,473

County Offices will be closed Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday December 25<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday January 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Board approved the following expenses totaling \$153,584.65

General Fund – \$42,277.33	Road & Bridge – \$44,343.95
Special Bridge - \$5,850.00	Juvenile Justice - \$2,597.03
Community Correc - \$2,930.52	Spec Machinery & Equip - \$26,535.00
Appraisal - \$974.64	County Health - \$4,847.97
Noxious Weed - \$1,240.15	Election - \$447.16
Solid Waste - \$15,180.50	Court Services - \$945.92
Employee Benefits - \$214.17	Co Tourism & Convention – \$3,751.48
Vending Machines - \$26.00	Spec Alcohol & Drug - \$1,338.87
Juvenile Reinvestment - \$83.96	

The above expense detail is available at the County Clerk's office.

Commissioner Caspers attended the Juvenile Detention Committee meeting on Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> in Junction City and the KWORCC Board of Trustees meeting in Topeka on Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Caspers and Czapanskiy

participated in the Cloud County Emergency Preparedness Ice Storm meeting on Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at the Courthouse.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements 2019-170 thru 2019-179 totaling \$673.76.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the December 16, 2019 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 12:42 p.m., until Monday December 30, 2019.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

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Gary Caspers, Chairman

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Bill Czapanskiy, Member

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Shella Thoman, County Clerk

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Bill Garrison, Member