

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MARCH 2, 2020
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 2, 2020 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; Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager; and James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending: Casey Fraser, Foley Equipment; Bruce Graham & Florence Girard, Cloud County Museum; and Jason Bathon, JAB IT PC.

James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director reported that this was National Severe Weather Awareness week and there would be a state wide tornado test at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday. A Storm Spotting training was scheduled for March 19th, location to be determined.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator and Casey Fraser reviewed quotes for a 2016 excavator at a cost, after trade, of \$124,600; and a 2017 compact track loader and tree attachment for \$92,500.

Asch presented the Annual Noxious Weed Eradication progress report for 2019 and the 2021 annual Noxious Weed Management plan for approval.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Annual Noxious Weed Eradication progress report for 2019.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2021 annual Noxious Weed Management plan.

The Board recognized the termination of Paul Shepard, Equipment Operator effective February 28, 2020.

Bruce Graham & Florence Girard, Cloud County Museum presented a Wind Farm request for project: Solar Panels in the amount of \$40,000. The total project is estimated at \$45,000. The biggest expense for the museum is for the curator salary and electricity. The electrical bill runs \$600 - \$1,000 a month depending on the season. Solar panels would ease the burden of the electrical expense and on average would save around \$500.00 per month. The museum would use the Cloud County Community College solar program to design, purchase and install the solar panels.

Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager and Jason Bathon, JAB IT PC discussed a quote for Courthouse cameras. No decision was made.

Eilert discussed a request to purchase 2 new utility carts, the Board asked that Eilert research wheel replacement.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2020-07 voiding check #210125 on September 30, 2019 in the amount of \$73.92 to Kyle Krier, Check #210353 on September 12, 2019 in the amount of \$38.72 to Armand Naillieux and check #210511 on September 25, 2019 in the amount of \$138.62 to Joann Freeborn as the checks were not received by the vendors.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved hiring Eric B. Denham as a part-time Corrections Officer at a rate of \$13.00 an hour effective February 22, 2020 to fill an open position.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the Capital Outlay Request for the Sheriff's office in the amount of \$14,239.00 to purchase 2 new copiers.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the Real Property Tax Relief application for the 2019 tax year for John and Valerie Griffin at 207 N Railroad Ave, Glasco due to a fire with no abatement or credit granted as taxes are not current.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2018-11 (2020) amending the 2018-11 agriculture open burning changing verbiage to read: Violation of this resolution, upon conviction, punishable by a fine of \$250.00 per day of violation per location. In addition, violators will be required to pay restitution for all damages done by a fire set in violation of this resolution and will be required to reimburse the fire departments at the FEMA reimbursement rates.

The Board recognized the resignation of Shawn Sprayberry as part-time corrections officer effective February 25, 2020.

The Board received the annual gift from the Cloud County Wind Farm LLC for \$300,000. Sales tax received February 24, 2020 totaled \$66,227.92 compared to the prior year totaling \$71,275.40.

The Board approved the following expenses totaling \$1,194,287.09.

General Fund – \$42,436.96	Road & Bridge – \$11,285.06
Special Bridge - \$650.00	Special Machinery & Equip - \$8,500.00
Juvenile Reinvestment - \$109.97	Special Alcohol & Drug - \$800.00
Juvenile Justice - \$3,198.25	Community Correc - \$636.29

Appraisal - \$233.94
Noxious Weed - \$515.86
Solid Waste - \$17,367.37
Employee Benefits - \$233.64

County Health - \$4,814.00
Election - \$199.78
Co Tourism & Convention – \$330.97
Law Enforcement Center - \$1,102,975.00

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

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements 2020-51 thru 2020-55 totaling \$110.27.

Commissioner Garrison attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting on February 27th in Beloit. Commissioner Czapanskiy attended the LEOP meeting in Minneapolis on Wednesday February 26th.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the February 24, 2020 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 12:29 p.m., until Monday March 9, 2020.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Bill Czapanskiy, Chairman

Gary Caspers, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Bill Garrison, Member