

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MARCH 9, 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 9, 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; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator; Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; and James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending: Jody Stout, Globe Life – Family Heritage Division; Kristi Benyshek, District Court Clerk; Niki Henderson, Kim Springer, and Tony Miller, CASA.

Department Head – 9:18 – 10:31 a.m.

Jody Stout, Globe Life – Family Heritage Division discussed products her company offers that can be made available by payroll deduction or direct pay. No decision was made on payroll deduction, employees can request information from their Department head for direct pay.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director – Started on the 120-day cover. KDHE inspection last week with no deficiencies. Recycling prices are still low, but increasing, storing recyclables until the price comes up.

Kristi Benyshek, District Court Clerk – Preparing for the special evening of the Kansas Supreme Court on April 7th.

Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator – Working on grants. Received KDHE approval for a new childcare/licensing position beginning July 1st. Discussed the Coronavirus.

Jerry Collins, IT Director – All computers will be changed out in the next month, anti-virus up and running.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator – Signing project starting next week. Attended the Noxious Weed conference last week.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser – Mailed out value notices.

James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director – Attending meetings and working on emergency plans.

Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager – Floor machine has been repaired and will be getting ready to wax the floors. Tested the generators.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk – Attended the 2020 Sanborn Master Academy last week where they heard from Steve Dickie, Character Coach for the WSU Men’s basketball team about working together. Watched All the Queens Horses a documentary about a city Clerk who embezzled \$53 million. Discussed communication and transparency and how social media can come in play. Deadline to file for office is at noon on June 1st.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed trading in an excavator and purchasing a replacement for a trade price of \$124,600. The Board approved moving forward with the purchase.

Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator reported that the roof was being replaced and discussed the approval of the new childcare/licensing position.

The Board recognized the resignation of Misty Ratliff, Breast Feeding Pure Counselor effective March 5, 2020.

Kim Springer, Niki Henderson, and Tony Miller, CASA presented a proclamation for Child Abuse Prevention Month and the need for additional CASA volunteers. Anyone willing to volunteer to have a voice for a child should contact the CASA office.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board proclaimed April 2020 as Child Abuse Prevention month and recognized the important role CASA volunteers have in advocating for the best interests of abused and neglected children in Cloud County, Kansas.

Jerry Collins, IT Director discussed the camera system quotes. The Board will not move forward on a replacement system at this time.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements 2020-56 thru 2020-57 totaling \$3.23.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2020-08 appointing James Quillen as Emergency Management Coordinator for Cloud County effective February 24, 2020.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2020-9 appointing Jennifer O’Hare acting Cloud County Attorney for the purpose of the investigation of possible criminal acts arising out of criminal inquisition, because of a potential conflict of the County Attorney.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved hiring Jaden Whitesell as a part-time corrections Officer at a rate of \$13.00 effective March 2, 2020 to fill an open position.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Transfer 2020-224-1 debiting Vehicle Sales tax – Tax Revenue and crediting County General – County Wide Sales tax \$66,227.92 to fix fund on receipt #19018.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a request for Capital Outlay funds from the IT Department in the amount of \$3,735.56 to purchase 1 Microsoft Surface book, 1 HP Mini Computer System and 1 Epson DS-320 scanner.

The Board reviewed the Fund Status report as of February 29, 2020 totaling \$12,599,548.50.

The Board approved the following payroll expenses totaling \$158,467.97

General Fund – \$85,385.62	Road & Bridge – \$43,618.14
Appraisal - \$5,216.77	County Health - \$16,392.74
Noxious Weed - \$1,726.46	Election - \$1,508.07
Solid Waste - \$4,620.17	

Payroll Deductions & Benefits - \$67,180.80

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

Commissioner Czapanskiy attended the Homeland Security special meeting in Clay Center on Tuesday March 3rd.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the March 2, 2020 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 12:30 p.m., until Monday March 16, 2020.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Bill Czapanskiy, Chairman

Gary Caspers, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Bill Garrison, Member