

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS  
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS  
MAY 18, 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 May 18, 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; Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator; and James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending: Kim Reynolds, CloudCorp; Toby Nosker; Wanda Backstrom; Kathy Coleman; and Amy Lange.

James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director reported that it's now recommended to make a declaration. Tuesday he and Thoman would be meeting with a FEMA official. ESF-8 meetings are continuing with officials from each city invited to participate. Masks were ordered and received for District Court; other PPE is getting to those in need.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 20-15 declaring a state of local public health emergency in Cloud County.

Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator reported that 132 tests have been administered, 126 were negative, 2 pending and 4 are recovered positives. The Health Department is encouraging residents to make an appointment for childhood immunizations. Home Health is taking appointments and referrals. Hand sanitizer stands are being made and working with the city to find sanitizer refills for their pumps. Bray encourages wearing masks only when in public, not at home or in a vehicle when traveling alone or with family.

Kim Reynolds, CloudCorp discussed the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and asked approval to move forward with the application process. If received Cloud County employers could apply for financial assistance, it is a grant not a loan. Employers would have to fall in the Low to moderate income level and it is to retain employees, not create new positions. North Central Kansas Regional Planning has offered assistance and will not cost the County anything other than the publication cost. The Board gave permission to proceed. Reynolds will return next week with a resolution.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported that the U.P. bridge is open, and the weight limit still applies. Planning on opening old 24 this week. Renting a broom from Foley's and is hiring on the Asphalt crew.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change for Richard Stromberg from Equipment Operator to Asphalt Foreman at an introductory wage of \$16.52 an hour for 3 months effective May 24, 2020.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change for Corey Huff from Asphalt Foreman to Equipment Operator at an hour rate of \$15.52 effective May 24, 2020.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved hiring Mark S. Ferron as temporary part-time employee at the Recycling Center at an hourly rate of \$11.50 effective May 11.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Transfer 2020-0518-1 debiting County General /Recycling/ Reimbursed Expense and crediting Solid Waste/Misc. Revenue \$83.29 to fix correct receipt #19406.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change for Tyler K Reed from part-time to full-time corrections officer going from \$13.00 to \$15.12 an hour effective April 26, 2020.

The Board received a budget request from the Maintenance Department totaling \$131,908.00 with an additional request of \$28,000 for Capital Outlay. The total for the 2020 budget was \$145,808.00 included \$10,000 for Capital Outlay.

Received a Wind Farm request from the Concordia Senior Center. Thoman notified the Center that Windfarm dollars were distributed last week.

Recognized the resignation of Raphael D. Williams as Corrections Officer effective May 1, 2020.

The Board approved the following payroll expenses totaling \$151,144.79

General Fund – \$78,201.07	Road & Bridge – \$43,654.33
Appraisal - \$5,216.77	County Health - \$16,216.27
Noxious Weed - \$1,726.46	Election - \$1,499.42
Solid Waste - \$4,630.47	

Payroll Deductions & Benefits - \$183,625.85

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

Commissioner Caspers participated in the Courthouse Department head Zoom meeting on Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup>.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the May 11, 2020 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 10:28 a.m., until Tuesday May 26, 2020.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

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Bill Czapanskiy, Chairman

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Gary Caspers, Member

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Shella Thoman, County Clerk

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Bill Garrison, Member