

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 8, 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: Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager; JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator; Kody Halfhide and Cynthia Dew, Maintenance staff; and James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; and Russell Gannon, Blade Empire.

Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator reported that Cloud County to date has 61 positive COVID-19 cases, none pending and that without a vaccine, herd immunity is unlikely.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported that he had 3 applications for an open position at the Recycling Center and would be running the ad for another work before starting interviews. Discussed an offer to sell cardboard for \$5.00 over market value. We'd be required to sell each month no matter the cost.

Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager, Kody Halfhide and Cynthia Dew, Maintenance staff reported an incident of a resident slipping in the parking lot that has been turned into the insurance company.

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 ending at 10:27 a.m. including Henry Eilert, Kody Halfhide and Cynthia Dew.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a 5-minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel ending at 10:33 a.m. including Henry Eilert, Kody Halfhide and Cynthia Dew.

James Quillen, Emergency Management Director reported we received feedback on the Corona Relief funding. There were 4 identified considerations;

1. Payroll expense as a reminder the County should ensure that all payroll is documented and compliant to the OIG Guidance.
2. Cloud County Back to Business & Not for Profit Grant Programs (\$312,500) requesting additional information including a description of how applicants will apply and be selected.

3. Disinfection of Schools During Closures (\$23,466.55) requesting additional information as it was unclear why purchases of disinfectant during the period of school closures was a necessity and how these items were used.
4. Public Health Expense & Security Equipment Relevance (\$26,636.00) requesting additional information on how these expenses are needed to respond to the pandemic.
5. Outdoor Collection Dropbox use (\$3,71.00) requesting additional information on how it responds to the pandemic.

Two modifications are required including a signature to the summary pages and resolving a \$23,481.54 discrepancy between the total reimbursement figures.

The report concluded by saying that it appears Cloud County has a good understanding of the eligibility requirements relative to the CARES Act funding and have appropriately followed the process. Subject to review of the additional documentation requested Cloud County may proceed with implementation of the CARES Act funding allocation as outlined in the provided reimbursement and direct aid plans.

This approval from the Office of Recovery allows for funds from the reimbursement portion of the program to be issued; however, a new Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) will be required from the entities receiving funds prior to funds being disbursed to include requirements of equipment retention. The MOA has been given to the County Attorney for review prior to being disbursed. Working on a KDEM grant for the Community Emergency Operations Center and will be attending the KEMA virtual conference on Thursday.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk requested permission to allow a County employee pumpkin decorating contest with rules to follow last years contest including funds raised to be matched with Windfarm funds and donated to the Resource Center.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved hiring Nathaniel J Powers as a full-time Corrections Officer at a rate of \$15.12 an hour effect August 27, 2020.

Recognized the resignation of Timothy D Wogomon Jr. effective September 4, 2020.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Transfer 2020-0908-1 debiting County General/Sheriff/Contractual Services and crediting County General/Sheriff/Commodities \$238.68 to fix the fund on check #212066 to Central Office Supply.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Transfer 2020-0908-2 debiting Road & Bridge/Payroll Clearing and crediting County General/Payroll Clearing \$13.96 to fix the fund on check #211877 to Legal Shield.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board voted to allow the Chairman to sign the Management Representation letter with Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris, chartered for period ending December 21, 2019.

The Board approved the following payroll expenses totaling \$161,264.38

General Fund – \$83,047.41	Road & Bridge – \$46,255.09
Appraisal - \$5,216.77	County Health - \$18,032.50
Noxious Weed - \$1,726.46	Election - \$1,499.42
Solid Waste - \$5,486.73	

Payroll Deductions & Benefits - \$68,014.62

The above expense detail is available at the County Clerk's office and the Clerk's Public Records webpage.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes with a correction to read: Commissioner Garrison attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting in Beloit on August 27th.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 11:32 a.m., until Monday September 14, 2020.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Bill Czapanskiy, Chairman

Gary Caspers, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Bill Garrison, Member