

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
SEPTEMBER 14, 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 14, 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: Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager; JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; and James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2021 budget setting the mill levy at 67.832 mills.

Department Head Meeting 9:18 – 10:22 a.m.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director – Received a call in regards to starting a large animal compost. Highway Department will do the annual trailer inspection and will be looking at the entrance road to the Transfer Station. Recycling Center shipped out 44,382 lbs. of mixed paper and filled the open position with a transfer from the Highway Department.

Brandi Bray – Was denied a grant request, there was \$14 million in requests for \$4 million to distribute. Waiting on confirmation for Disease investigator grant. Working on getting bids to move the check in window.

Jerry Collins, IT Director – Has a work study student in the afternoon; a lot of phishing is going on, lost the Health Department server that is under maintenance, they had it up and running in a day and half.

James Quillen, Emergency Management Director – Meeting with the Technical Specialist regarding the Corona relief funds on Tuesday, working with KDEM on EOC Enhancements, meeting with the interim mayor in Glasco, and the State of Emergency declaration was extended until October 15, 2020.

Barry Porter, Appraiser – Discussed false unemployment claims being filed throughout the state, had a lot of transfers and splits and data collection is complete.

JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer – Tax distribution this month, one more in October.

Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager – Mowing and cleaning out the “north 40”, fixed water leak in main floor bathroom, cutting trees at the Health Department and cleaning at the Law Enforcement Center (LEC) twice a week now that drug testing is performed there. Chemical guy checked the water and received a good report.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk – Election November 3rd, advance voting will begin in the office on October 14th, ballots will also be mailed out on the 14th. To date there are over 1,000 ballots being mailed out. Ballots do not have to be mailed back to the office, they can be brought in or dropped in the drop box. Pumpkin contest will be held in October with voting done by monetary donations that will go to the Resource Center. Discussed a food challenge day for Columbus Day October 12th; food will be donated to the Health Department. Will be receiving a new payroll equipment for clocking in, some employees will have access to clock in from an app, on the computer and on time clocks.

Brian Marks, Sheriff – Inquired about the progress at the LEC, the roof panels were removed and looked good, will be doing more exploring over the control area.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported that he’d been asked about a large animal refuse, after discussion of the 7-month process for 1 animal and the possible cost it was decided not to move forward. Having overhead door problems and ordered new tarps for the trailers.

Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator reported that we were at 63 positive cases. The State put outbreak regulations in place, reported the roof leaked last week and the flashing was tacked down in several places. Asked to move forward with doors using Corona Relief funding.

James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director reported that he was working on a KDEM grant and working with a consultant hired by them. Looking into 3-4 monitoring stations that are mobile for the Emergency Operation Center (EOC) as well as a conference table for the meeting room, copier/scanner and upgrades to the phone lines. Discussed a command trailer and whether it should be a drivable trailer or pull type, no decision was made.

The Board challenged employees to collect 1,930 items for the Cloud County Health Department Resource cupboard in exchange for Columbus Day off. A list of recommended items will be provided and items should be turned into the Clerk’s office.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change for Edward Jaeger transferring from Road & Bridge to the Recycling Center effective September 14, 2020 with no wage change.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved using Windfarm funds for the 2020 ROZ payment in the amount of \$4,500.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the Coronavirus Relief Fund Memorandum of Agreement to be sent to entities to sign prior to disbursement of Funds.

The Board encourages all residents to complete the 2020 Census. The Census is important for the distribution of federal fund, grants, and state funds and for fair representation. For every uncounted Kansan the state could miss out on approximately \$2,082 in federal funding. The Census is only once every 10 years and is crucial to get the county right.

The Board approved the following expenses totaling \$165,303.46.

General Fund – \$33,186.06	Road & Bridge – \$99,783.20
Juvenile Reinvestment - \$53.23	Vending Machines - \$26.00
Juvenile Justice - \$216.20	Community Correc - \$735.97
Appraisal - \$225.75	County Health - \$7,195.87
Noxious Weed - \$1,762.72	Election - \$46.47
Solid Waste - \$20,021.86	Co Tourism & Convention – \$188.33
Court Services - \$1,861.80	

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

The Board reviewed the August 31, 2020 Budget Status Report. The report can be found on the County’s website on the Clerk’s public record page.

Commissioner Czapanskiy participated in the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on Friday September 11th by Zoom and attended the Cloud County Resource Council meeting on Wednesday September 9th.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the September 8, 2020 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 11:56 a.m., until Monday September 21, 2020.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Bill Czapanskiy, Chairman

Gary Caspers, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Bill Garrison, Member