

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
SEPTEMBER 28, 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 28, 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; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator; and James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Tom Richard; Brad Berk & Charles Johnson, Public Building Committee (PBC); Kim Reynolds, CloudCorp Director; Amy Lange, Concordia City Manager; Melissa Swenson, Brown Grand Theatre; and Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken (by conference call).

Tom Richard; Brad Berk & Charles Johnson, Public Building Committee (PBC); and Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed the Law Enforcement Center (LEC) findings. Richard reported that they discovered gaps and drooping in insulation when the side wall was removed and needs to be replaced. The roof will need to come off to do the replacement. Richard will be making an appointment with Campbell & Johnson; Campbell & Johnson will write a letter of recommendation that will need to be forwarded to Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken to make notice to the surety. Roof installation, insulation and mechanical (HVAC) will likely cost \$600,000 - \$700,000. Inmates will be shifted around inside the LEC while work is being done and only as much that can be completed in one day will be removed.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported the overlay has been started on 11th Street to the brick plant corner, work on entrance fields, starting to spray Sericea and will start working on the driveway at the Health department.

Melissa Swenson, Brown Grand Theatre thanked the Board for the support on the Seating the next Generation project. The project is complete and the public is invited to an open house Sunday October 4th from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director reported that he is working on the EMPG grant that is due October 15th and received a \$55,163 grant from the Kansas Division of Emergency Management (KDEM) for enhancements to the EOC. Items that will be purchased included (but not limited to): 4 sit stand desks and chairs, 75" interactive monitor, printer/scanner/copier and conference table. Discussed the agreement with the lift company and entities will be turning in the August/September worksheets by the end of the week for CARES funding.

Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator reported new nursing home reopening guidance has been issued and she'll be meeting with physicians regarding the guidance. The guidance is related to the County positivity rate and rapid tests do not count in the

positive number for the County. Out of county testing is not being reported to the Health Department timely.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved a 5-minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel including Bray and resuming session at 10:36 a.m.

Kim Reynolds, CloudCorp Director discussed a potential \$100,000 in grants from the Patterson Family Foundation. Harper and Miami County were pilot Counties for the program. Cloud County was chosen as 1 of 10 more counties to receive the money based on the size and the work they'd done with Health Department Administrator Brandi Bray. The grant would allow up to \$5,000 to businesses for future pandemic needs (i.e., computers, PPE gear, auto toilet flushers or sinks, sanitizing equipment.) Businesses must have been in business on January 1, 2019. The application is on the Foundation website and open until Tuesday October 6th. The county would be the pass through for the funds.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the Patterson Family Foundation offer to help Cloud County businesses up to \$10,000 and not to exceed a \$5,000 grant per business.

Amy Lange, Concordia City Manager presented her Coronavirus Relief Fund Memorandum of Agreement between the County and the City.

The Board called Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken to update him on the meeting early in the day.

Shella Thoman, North Central Kanas Down Syndrome Society presented a proclamation and invited the Board and public to celebrate Down syndrome awareness month Sunday October 4th at multiple events in Concordia to include Crunch for a Cause, The Incredible Scavenger Hut and Cruising for Acceptance Car parade.

The Board recognized the termination of Jason Mitchell, Corrections Officer effective September 21st.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Transfer 2020-0928-01 debiting KPERS-payroll and crediting KPERS Life-Payroll clearing \$201.58 to leave \$11.40 in KPERS Life fund for payment of premiums in January 2020.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Transfer 2020-0928-02 debiting Employee Benefits-Disbursement and crediting KPERS Life \$11.40 to reverse adjustment for 2019 to zero out balances of clearing accounts.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements 2020-187 and 2020-188.

The Board approved the following expenses totaling \$173,317.66.

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| General Fund – \$67,799.46 | Road & Bridge – \$69,348.73 |
| Employee Benefits - \$233.64 | Juvenile Reinvestment - \$39.99 |
| Juvenile Justice - \$2,309.78 | Community Correc. - \$120.84 |
| Appraisal - \$211.14 | County Health - \$2,986.70 |
| Noxious Weed - \$1,558.09 | Election - \$196.27 |
| Solid Waste - \$17,852.17 | Co Tourism & Convention – \$3,094.59 |
| Court Services - \$5,202.25 | Spec Alcohol & Drug - \$2,364.01 |

The Board approved the following CARES expenses totaling \$316,589.36

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| Cloud County – \$3,107.00 | City of Aurora – \$169.57 |
| City of Clyde - \$5,643.53 | City of Concordia - \$9,252.24 |
| City of Jamestown - \$4,023.00 | City of Milton vale - \$14,055.82 |
| CCCC - \$82,392.33 | USD #224 - \$23,481.54 |
| USD #333 - \$146,278.80 | USD #334 - \$28,185.53 |

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

Commissioner Caspers participated in the KWORCC Board of Trustee meeting on Thursday September 24th by Zoom. Commissioner Garrison participated in the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting on Thursday September 24th by Zoom.

Sales tax received September 25, 2020 totaled \$62,187.36 compared to the prior year totaling \$73,193.13. Collections to date are \$8,142.20 above 2019.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the September 21, 2020 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 11:12 a.m., until Monday October 5, 2020.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Bill Czapanskiy, Chairman

Gary Caspers, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Bill Garrison, Member