

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
SEPTEMBER 13, 2021
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 13, 2021 in the Commissioners' room at 811 Washington, Concordia, Kansas with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Bill Czapanskiy and Ron Copple, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager; and Ken Davis, Sheriff.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; and Kristi Benyshek, District Court Chief Clerk.

The Board opened the Revenue Neutral Rate hearing (RNR). Thoman explained that by approving the resolution it would allow her to levy what was needed to reach the budgeted expenditures in the event the value decreased; without a resolution the County would be restricted to 67.504 mills.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2021-30 allowing the County of Cloud to levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 67.504 mills.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved closing the 2022 budget hearing setting the levy at 67.504 mills.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported that he will be talking to the lawyer this afternoon regarding 260th Road.

Department Head 9:31 – 10:09 a.m.

Kristi Benyshek, District Court Clerk – Jury trials scheduled have been continued, employees have been sent back home to work. One person will be in the office each day. Lincoln County magistrate Judge has retired.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator – Skid steer is back out trimming trees, an additional mower is out to finish out the year. Working on a bridge on Gold road.

Ken Davis, Sheriff – Discussed employee and inmate arrangements that will be necessary while the Law Enforcement Center is being repaired.

Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager – Will have a Community Service person assisting. Finished shelves for the Attorney’s office, working with Hood’s on the air issues at the Courthouse; working with R&L Security, installed door openers at the Health Department, helped move a new fridge in at the Resource Center and keeping up with the mowing.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk – Preparing for the City / School election that will be November 3rd. Will start on setting levies in the next month. Asked all Departments to write a letter to their counterpart in 2071 to be put in the City’s time capsule.

Report for Emergency Preparedness: Did a presentation with the Red Cross on Emergency Preparedness for the Concordia Boy Scouts; will attend the KEMA conference this week; will have the opportunity to apply for the EMPG Grant for 2022; completed the IMT application; turned in the corrections/additions for the Emergency Operations plan to KDEM, waiting on USD 333’s crisis plan to submit final report; and LEPC meeting September 20th.

The Board discussed last week’s request of additional funding to cover health insurance costs for the Area Agency on Aging. The Board will not be providing additional funding at this time.

On a motion by Commissioner Cople, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Transfer No. 2021-0913-1 debiting Juvenile Justice – Commodities and crediting Community Corrections Doc – Commodities \$1,361.32 to fix fund on check #214159.

The Board approved the following expenses totaling \$139,437.95.

General Fund – \$86,137.81	Road & Bridge – \$41,770.24
Special Bridge - \$43.78	Auto Special - \$95.35
Employee Benefits - \$1,100.00	Juvenile Reinvestment - \$23.67
Appraisal - \$1,415.59	Vending Machines - \$49.00
County Health - \$7,958.69	Noxious Weed - \$207.81
Election - \$47.35	Solid Waste - \$103.16
Community Corrections Doc – \$485.50	

CARES – COVID 19 Grant expenses totaling \$35,111.00.

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

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, the Board approved abatement 2021-194 with a net change and refund totaling \$7.22.

Commissioner Czapanskiy participated in the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting by Zoom on Friday September 10, 2021.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the September 7, 2021 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 10:27 a.m., until Monday September 20, 2021.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Gary Caspers, Chairman

Bill Czapanskiy, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Ron Copple, Member