

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 7, 2022
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 7, 2021 in the Commissioners' room at 811 Washington, Concordia, Kansas with Chairman Ron Copple, Members Bill Czapanskiy and Gary Caspers and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Dawn Snyder & Lynell Kallman, Cloud County Chemical Dependency Committee; Sherri Hamiel, Health Department Intern; and Sheryl Budke, NexTech.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are working on tree projects, will be getting a railcar for the project on Hawk Road; will be meeting with Husker Steel and Ottawa County about costs for bridge replacement on the County line; replacement guard rail on the Aurora blacktop will be \$8,900; and purchased \$74,000 of chemicals. The North Central Kansas County Highway Officials spring meeting will be in Ellsworth County on Wednesday April 6th.

Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator reported that they acquired more COVID-19 testing kits and discussed replacement of the parapet.

Dawn Snyder & Lynell Kallman, Cloud County Chemical Dependency Committee discussed funding. 50% of funds are used for public education and prevention and 50% is used for counseling and treatment for the indigent.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the funding agreement with the Cloud County Chemical Dependency Committee in the amount of \$18,439.

Sheryl Budke, NexTech discussed Managed IT services for the Sheriff, Courthouse and Health Department. No decision was made

The Board discussed the payment in lieu of taxes agreement with Plum Nellie Wind Farm. The project is generally east of 210th Road, north of Acorn Road, east of 240th and south of US Highway 24, and east of 210th Road, north of US Highway 24, west of Meridian Road, and south of Hawk Road. The agreement will pay \$1,500 per 200 megawatts which is approximated at \$300,000 yearly.

The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Quarterly Publication Report as of January 31, 2022 with an ending cash balance of \$15,660,393.80.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved hiring Andrew Hale as Equipment Operator at the Recycling Center effective February 2, 2022 at an hourly rate of \$14.00.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, the Board approved Resolution 2022-06 voiding check #214580 on October 11, 2021 in the amount of \$4,322.80 to KIPHS as the check was not received by the vendor.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved sending a letter of support for Cunningham Telephone & Cable's grant funding application with the Kansas Department of Economic Development.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Transfer 2022-0207-1 debiting County General/Recycling Center/Contractual Services and crediting Solid Waste/Contractual Services \$348.94 for expenses posted to the wrong fund in 2021.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved proclaiming February 2022 as Teen Dating Violence Awareness month and urges citizens to recognize and assist all those who serve the rights and needs of victims of teen dating violence.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Payment in Lieu of Taxes agreement with Plum Nellie Wind Farm LLC.

The Board approved the following payroll expenses totaling \$160,591.14

General Fund – \$80,740.56	Road & Bridge - \$46,605.74
Appraiser - \$5,615.07	County Health - \$18,487.33
Noxious Weed - \$1,801.46	Election - \$1,556.12
Solid Waste - \$5,784.86	

Payroll Deductions & Benefits - \$65,752.81

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 Czapanskiy, the Board approved abatements 2022-35 through 2022-38 with a net change of \$99.40 and refund totaling \$35.74.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the January 31, 2022 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 11:57 a.m., until Monday February 14, 2022.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Ron Copple, Chairman

Bill Czapanskiy, Member

Sheila Thoman, County Clerk

Gary Caspers, Member