

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JULY 11, 2022
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 11, 2022 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; Barry Porter, Appraiser; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Jana Roush, Register of Deeds; Jeff Thoman, Maintenance Manager; JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer; Ken Davis, County Sheriff; Wanda Backstrom, Community Correction / JJA Director; and Tonya Sulanka, Interim Health Director.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Steve Baglo; Kristi Benyshek, District Court Clerk; Tanner Yost, Kirkham Michael (by conference call); Republic County Commissioners: Ed Splichal, and Melvin Jeardoe; Kathleen Marsicek, Republic County Clerk (by conference call).

Steve Baglo talked to the Board about tire issues he's had using the construction demolition pit.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed purchasing a used grader for \$113,400 after trade. Called Tanner Yost, Kirkham Michael regarding the Road Use Agreement for Plum Nellie; an agreement will be emailed this week.

Department Head – 9:25 – 10:10 a.m.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director – Busy at the Transfer Station with roof replacements around town.

Kristi Benyshek, District Court Clerk - Converting to a new system.

Jana Roush, Register of Deeds – Attended the annual Register of Deeds seminar in June.

Wanda Backstrom, Community Correction / JJA Director – Advertising for a full-time 35-hour adult supervisor and a 20-hour a week secretary.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator – Working on sealing projects on Union Road and 11th street (from City limits to Hwy 9) and North of Union on 280th Road. Position open for an Equipment Operator.

Ken Davis, County Sheriff – Finishing touches are being done on the jail before a walk through for temporary occupancy.

Barry Porter, Appraiser – Ag review and routine business.

Jeff Thoman, Maintenance Manager – Resuming weekend building checks following the chiller going down over the Holiday weekend, repairing a 2nd floor trap that was broken and waiting on the asbestos removal from the boiler room.

Tonya Sulanka, Interim Health Department Administrator – The parapet is finished and they are working on the windbreaks, COVID Cases are increasing, 1st case of Monkey pox has been confirmed in Johnson County.

JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer – New car sales have increased.

Report for Emergency Preparedness – Taking a virtual Certified Emergency Response Team (CERT) train the trainer course so that training of volunteers for disaster response can begin and allow us to start developing CERT teams. Meeting with the Sheriff and Tourism to discuss active shooter and other potential issues. Working with Glasco to develop an emergency operations plan for the city and planning a natural disaster tabletop discussion with the Council, employees, Law Enforcement and city and rural fire for the fall.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk – Election August 2nd. Advance voting begins July 13th and will run through noon on August 1st. The email system will be converted soon, contacts will not convert and new mail will no longer go into the old system. Review the budget to confirm that your request is what is entered.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director discussed getting a dumpster for smaller items that would normally go to the CD pit and will run the magnet multiple times a day while there is an increase in Construction demolition.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a 15-minute executive session for personnel exception to discuss the Appraiser position including County Clerk Shella Thoman, Republic County Clerk Kathleen Marsicek and Republic County Commissioners Ed Splichal, and Melvin Jeardoe (by conference call) resuming open session at 11:20 a.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved hiring Toby Marco as the Cloud County Appraiser pending pre-employment screening.

Toby Marco will begin shared employment with Republic County on Monday July 18th. Cloud County will pay 53% of the salary of \$80,000 for the 6 months and \$85,000 therefore after. Marco will be required to relocate to Cloud or Republic County within 1 year. Republic County will offer benefits and Cloud County will pay half of the yearly cost.

Tonya Sulanka, Interim Health Department Administrator discussed Health Department programs and will look into shadowing Mitchell County before making a decision to cancel any subscriptions.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved 2 Capital Outlay fund requests from the Maintenance department including \$480.00 for a 26' little giant ladder system and \$1,500 for a 48" blade for the John Deere snow machine.

The Board approved the following payroll expenses totaling \$164,739.09

General Fund – \$82,041.27	Road & Bridge - \$49,512.48
Appraiser - \$5,534.06	County Health - \$17,607.28
Noxious Weed - \$1,808.87	Election - \$1,648.06
Solid Waste - \$4,656.01	

Payroll Deductions & Benefits - \$162,808.03

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, unanimous vote the Board approved abatement 2022-102 with a net change and refund of \$16.90.

Commissioner Czapanskiy participated in the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on Friday July 8th by Zoom.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the July 5, 2022 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 12:21 p.m., until Monday July 18, 2022.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Ron Copple, Chairman

Bill Czapanskiy, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Gary Caspers, Member