

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS  
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS  
DECEMBER 29, 2022  
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 29, 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; and Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Jon Halbgewachs and John Markel, Kirkham Michael; and Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken LLP (by conference call).

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director discussed the Owen Trucking agreement for hauling solid waste and discussed sharing an employee with the Highway Department.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the contract for Transportation of Municipal Solid Waste with Owen Trucking for 2023 at \$517.00 per trip.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the machinery transfer and the U.P. bridge replacement. Jon Halbgewachs and John Markel, Kirkham Michael present an aerial photo showing the proposed location of the new bridge and discussed the process.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved hiring Erica Metcalf as a part-time Equipment Operator for the Highway Department effective December 27, 2022 at an introductory wage of \$16.00 an hour.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman to sign the agreement for Engineering Services with Kirkham, Michael & Associates for Cloud County FAS Bridge #5227 (U.P. bridge).

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2022-21 transferring unused funds to the Special Road & Bridge Machinery and Equipment fund not to exceed 25% of the Road & Bridge fund budget to be determined by the annual audit.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a 10-minute executive session for attorney-client privilege to discuss the Law Enforcement Center with Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken LLP (by conference call).

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved an additional 10-minute executive session for attorney-client privilege to discuss the Law Enforcement Center with Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken LLP (by conference call).

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken LLP to move forward with litigation to recover funds for corrective work on the Law Enforcement Center.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved re-hiring Spencer Edwards as a Corrections Officer – Sergeant at an introductory wage of \$17.50 effective December 27, 2022.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2022-19 authorizing the participation in the Rural Opportunity Zone (ROZ) student loan repayment program for 2023. (No new dollars were allocated to the program).

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2022-20 implementing the wage scale for 2023.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved encumbering \$201,000 of the 2022 budget including: \$1,000 Maintenance (air compressor), \$100,000 Sheriff (2023 bond payment), and \$100,000 Highway Department for engineering design costs for the replacement of Bridge #5227 (U.P. bridge).

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Cereal Malt Beverage license for Rick Simpson for consumption at the Cloud County Fairgrounds for 2023.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the contract with Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris, Chartered for audit services for the year ending December 31, 2022.

Reviewed the KWORCC Inspection report.

Sales tax received December 28, 2022 totaled \$86,088.15 compared to the prior year totaling \$89,896.82.

The Board approved the following payroll expenses totaling \$171,431.80

General Fund – \$92,320.82	Road & Bridge - \$46,655.42
Appraiser - \$5,777.86	County Health - \$17,354.80
Noxious Weed - \$1,810.05	Election - \$1,592.17
Solid Waste - \$5,920.68	

Payroll Deductions & Benefits - \$219,7444.89

The Board approved the following expenses totaling \$115,064.31

General Fund – \$33,650.21	Road & Bridge – \$36,966.51
Special Bridge - \$909.38	Juvenile Justice - \$39.66
Appraisal - \$286.29	Juvenile Reinvestment - \$7.22
Community Correc - \$151.31	County Health - \$8,941.23
Noxious Weed - \$114.25	Election - \$801.72
Court Services - \$18.00	Co Tourism & Convention - \$1,416.64
Solid Waste - \$31,761.89	

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

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved abatements 2022-181 thru 2022-183 and 2022-185 thru 2022-198 with a net change of (\$2,725.82) and refund of \$1,444.40.

Commissioner Caspers attended the Juvenile Detention meeting on Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup> in Junction City.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the December 19, 2022 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

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Ron Copple, Chairman

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Mark Matthew, Member

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Shella Thoman, County Clerk

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Gary Caspers, Member