

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JANUARY 23, 2023
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 23, 2023 in the Commissioners' room at 811 Washington, Concordia, Kansas with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Mark Matthew and Ron Copple, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Tonya Sulanka, Health Department Administrator; Chelsea Simon, Health Department Office Manager; and Ken Davis, Sheriff.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Wade Reh, River Valley Extension Director; and Amber Kinney, River Valley Extension.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented an updated copy of the Surfacing Policy as discussed last week.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Matthew, unanimous vote the Board approved the Road Surfacing Policy.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Matthew, unanimous vote the Board approved a 5-minute executive session for personnel exception to discuss non-elected personnel resuming open session at 9:12 a.m., including Asch and Thoman.

Wade Reh and Amber Kinney, River Valley Extension discussed storage issues and building access for Medicare Clients they assist. Reh asked the Board to consider opening access to the west elevator for these clients. The Board later toured the basement to see what could be done to help with the storage. No decisions were made.

Tonya Sulanka, Health Department Administrator discussed the upcoming school vaccine clinics, Medicare reimbursement issues with the new software they started in 2022 and the need for a larger shredder. Sulanka reported that they received \$1,068 in COVID testing funding for December.

Ken Davis, Sheriff discussed classification changes for four (4) employees; 17 of the 19 positions at the Law Enforcement Center (LEC) are filled and they are not currently looking to fill the remaining two (2). Classification changes include wage changes for Mathew Nevins from \$18.20 to \$20.00; Roger Garrett and Scott Demars from \$18.20 to \$19.00; and Spencer Edwards from \$17.50 to \$18.20 effective January 15, 2022. Davis also discussed generator servicing, food service pricing, and discussed Courthouse security. Davis requested the Board discuss adding security at the Courthouse's single access point for patrons.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification and wage changes for Matthew Nevins from Sergeant to Jail Administrator; Spencer Edwards from Corrections Office to Sergeant; Roger Garrett; and Scott Demars from Corrections Officer to Sergeant.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Matthew, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of Craig Ballou as the Lyon Township Clerk.

The Board reviewed KSA 79-2010, 79-2011 and 79-2013.

The Board approved the following payroll expenses totaling \$177,099.54

General Fund – \$92,617.15	Road & Bridge - \$50,640.70
Appraiser - \$5,927.69	County Health - \$18,242.73
Noxious Weed - \$1,888.89	Election - \$1,627.83
Solid Waste - \$6,154.55	

Payroll Deductions & Benefits - \$223,374.32

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 Matthew, unanimous vote the Board approved abatements 2023-05 thru 2023-06 with a net change of (\$383.40) and refund of \$36.36.

Commissioner Matthew attended the Community Health Needs Assessment roundtable on Thursday January 19th. Commissioner Caspers attended the CloudCorp Board meeting on Tuesday January 17th and the Juvenile/Community Corrections Advisory Board meeting on Wednesday January 18th.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved the January 16, 2023 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 11:57 a.m., until Monday January 30, 2023.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Gary Caspers, Chairman

Mark Matthew, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Ron Copple, Member