

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JANUARY 30, 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 30, 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; and Toby Marco, County Appraiser.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Tom Koch, Republic Valley Drainage District; Marlene Stamm, County Sanitarian; and Doug Garman, Ed Splichal and Melvin Jeardoe, Republic County Commissioners (by conference call).

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed looking at 2 used mastic machines and reported they were working on burn piles.

Toby Marco, Appraiser reported that he was sending letters to affected tax payers from the recent Kansas Court of Appeals case between Dodge City Cooperative exchange and the Board of County Commissioners of Gray County. The order reclassifies portions of grain elevators as personal property.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved a 20-minute executive session for personnel exception to discuss non-elected personnel resuming open session at 10:09 a.m., including the Republic County Commissioners and Thoman.

Marlene Stamm, County Sanitarian gave a quarterly report; Cloud County has been slower.

Tom Koch, Republic Valley Drainage District requested that the Commissioners appoint Todd Cyr to the Drainage District to complete the term left vacant by Fred Detrixhe's resignation.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Todd Cyr to the Republican Valley Drainage District board.

Recognized the resignation of Erica Metcalf from the Recycling Center effective January 19, 2023.

Sales tax received January 26, 2023 totaled \$84,798.85 compared to the prior year totaling \$76,052.53.

The Board discussed goals that they wanted to achieve this year including Department heads requesting permission before applying for grants, sending information to the Clerk's office by the end of each week they'd like to discuss at the next meeting, updating the County Employee handbook, discuss IT services, updating the website, working towards the KCAMP Risk Management awards, networking with other Counties, creating a long term capital outlay budget for each Department, expand on the Get in the Cloud Grants and Department heads and elected officials to get out into the public to allow taxpayers to know who they are.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Michelle Widen as Lincoln Township Treasurer and Clayton Peterson as Lincoln Township Clerk

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Matthew, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2023-04 appointing Ed Duskie to the 12th Judicial district Community Corrections Juvenile Services Advisory Board representing the County Commissioners of Jewell County.

The Board reviewed KSA 75-7c10 and 75-7c20.

The Board approved the following expenses totaling \$455,733.08

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| General Fund – \$67,870.14 | Road & Bridge – \$27,363.34 |
| Special Bridge - \$1,470.00 | Juvenile Justice - \$22,091.13 |
| Appraisal - \$4,664.43 | Juvenile Reinvestment - \$31.43 |
| Community Correc - \$4,769.27 | County Health - \$18,647.66 |
| Noxious Weed - \$494.40 | Election - \$24.29 |
| Solid Waste - \$24,321.35 | Co Tourism & Convention - \$2,893.05 |
| Employee Benefits - \$470.66 | Court Services - \$547.83 |
| Fair - \$26,588.61 | Pawnee Mental Health - \$57,905.50 |
| Soil Conservation - \$16,700.73 | OCCK - \$70,817.14 |
| Historical Museum - \$25,222.42 | Services for the Elderly - \$82,839.70 |

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 2023-7 thru 2023-23 with a net change of (\$1,131.78) and refund of \$747.70.

Commissioner Copple attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting in Beloit on Thursday January 26th and the Pawnee Mental Health Board meeting in Clay Center on Tuesday January 24th. Commissioner Matthew attended KAC's Local Government Day and the KCAMP reception in Topeka on Wednesday January 25th and Cloud County Community College Board of Trustees meeting on January 23rd.

Commissioner Caspers participated in the KWORCC Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday January 26th by Zoom.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Matthews, unanimous vote the Board approved the January 23, 2023 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 11:19 p.m., until Monday February 6, 2023.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Gary Caspers, Chairman

Mark Matthew, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Ron Copple, Member