

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS  
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS  
APRIL 3, 2023  
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 3, 2023 in the Commissioners' room at 811 Washington, Concordia, Kansas with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Mark Matthew and Ron Cople, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Clark Coco, City of Glasco; Casey Fraser, Foley Tractor, Inc.; Jason Martin, Jessica Presler and Samantha Viereck, City of Jamestown; and Althea Sicard, Concordia Senior Center.

Clark Coco, City of Glasco discussed the Wind Farm application for Idle Awhile RV Park. (The Board reviewed the request last week.) Coco reported that the electrical upgrades and lighting was priority.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator and Casey Fraser, Foley Tractor, Inc discussed a change in trade in value from last weeks approval of the purchase of a 2017 120 M2 AWD. Asch reported that Meridian Road between Jade & Key Roads was closed due to bridge issues and 270<sup>th</sup> Road between Hawk & Iron needs to be closed sooner than later. Asch reported the State has offered \$1.2 million for the County to take responsibility of Highway 81 frontage roads; Asch is discussing upgrades to surfacing prior to the exchange.

Jason Martin, Jessica Presler and Samantha Viereck, City of Jamestown discussed Wind Farm applications submitted last week for Community building HVAC replacement, fueling station updates and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration project.

Althea Sicard, Concordia Senior Center presented a Wind Farm grant application for the Concordia Senior Center for the Kitchen remodeling project for \$50,000. The total cost is \$50,000. The funds will be used to upgrade the vinyl flooring, wooden cabinets and shelving and prep table.

The Board received Wind Farm Grants from:

The Clyde Baseball Association for the equipment shed replacement project for \$12,000. The total cost is \$11,266.19 plus tax. The funds will be used to replace the equipment shed at the ball field with a 16 x 20 utility shed.

The Concordia Lions Club for a commercial refrigerator replacement for \$2,500. The total cost of the project is \$3,295.00. The project would provide replacement to continue the needs of those using the facilities at the Armory.

The Cloud County Fair Association for the upgrade grandstand bleachers project for \$16,000. The total cost of the project is \$30,000 - \$35,000. The project will replace the grandstand bleachers with aluminum planks.

The Clyde Community Ambulance Service for the Power Cost & power load system for the ambulance for \$13,414.33. The total cost of the project is \$53,657.33. The project would replace the current cot that does not raise or lower on its own.

Sunset Home Senior Living Community for the Sunset Home Childcare Center for \$15,000. The total cost of the project is \$161,444.69. The project would provide childcare for working parents at Sunset Home and other Cloud County residents.

The City of Aurora for the Fuel Station improvement project for \$18,000. The total cost of the project is \$22,000. The project will upgrade the fueling station to include an awning and additional lighting for easier and a safer fueling during inclement weather.

The Knights of Columbus Council #2114 Aurora for the Kitchen project for \$12,000. The total cost of the project is \$19,810.80. The project will replace the floor structure, flooring, plumbing, cabinets, countertops, and possibly new appliances.

St. Peter Catholic Church for the rectory entry way project for \$4,220.18. The total cost of the project is \$4,220.18. The project replaces what is likely the original wood door on the entry of the building and replacing the improperly installed and sized screen door.

12<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Supervised Visitation and Child Exchange Service for the computer hardware/software updates and low-income assistance to family's project for \$5,000. The project would update the computer hardware and software and assistance to low-income families.

Con-Kids Wrestling Club for the practice room mat replacement project for \$6,225. The cost of the total project is \$12,250. The project would provide the practice facility with new mats.

Boy Scout Troop #38-American Legion post 76 for the flag beautification project for \$487. Total cost of the project is \$974. The project will replace 50 flags.

The North Central Kansas CASA/Hope's Place Child Advocacy Center for new furniture project for \$9,724. The total cost of the project is \$21,097. The project would replace furniture to provide a more welcoming area.

The Cloud County Safety Committee for safety updates projects for \$10,000. The total cost of the project is \$10,000. The project would include installation of additional cameras and panic buttons, key card access on interior doors, updated exit signs, training expenses, and installation of locks on cabinet doors in the meeting room.

Recognized the resignation of Hans Hanson, Deputy Sheriff effective March 26, 2023.

Recognized the resignation of Piper Brewer, Corrections Officer, effective March 30, 2023.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Cople, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change for Roger Garrett, Corrections Officer, from full-time to part-time effective April 11, 2023.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Cople, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2023-05 voiding a list of checks and warrants that have been outstanding for a two-year period totaling \$213.80.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Cople, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2023-06 voiding check #216913 on November 21, 2022 in the amount of \$100.00 to St. Mary's Catholic Church and check #21685 on November 21, 2022 in the amount of \$13.50 to Janet Pearson as the checks were not received by the vendor.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Cople, unanimous vote the Board approved the Real Property Relief Application for tax year 2023 for Billy Spear a 975 N 70<sup>th</sup> Rd, Concordia.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Cople, unanimous vote the Board approved Real Property Relief Application for tax year 2023 for Francis Real Estate Group, LLC at 224 Campbell Ave, Clyde.

Reviewed KSA 25-418 regarding allowance for employees to vote

Sales tax received March 28, 2023 totaled \$83,991.35 compared to the prior year totaling \$72,191.06.

The Board approved the following payroll expenses totaling \$178,143.39

General Fund – \$93,158.36	Road & Bridge - \$50,309.40
Appraiser - \$5,887.55	County Health - \$19,136.63
Noxious Weed - \$1,881.53	Election - \$1,628.78
Solid Waste - \$6,141.14	

Payroll Deductions & Benefits - \$75,094.71

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

On a motion by Commissioner Cople, second by Commissioner Matthew, unanimous vote the Board approved abatement 2023-151 with a net change of (\$374.08) and refund of \$374.08.

Commissioner Matthew and Caspers attended the Regional Recovery Tabletop Exercise in Salina on Thursday March 30<sup>th</sup> and the Cloud County Community College ground breaking on Wednesday March 29<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Matthew attended the Cloud County Community College Board of Trustees meeting on Tuesday March 28<sup>th</sup> and the County Employee Safety Committee meeting on Wednesday March 29<sup>th</sup>.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved the March 27, 2023 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Matthew, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 10:56 a.m., until Monday April 10, 2023.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

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Gary Caspers, Chairman

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Mark Matthew, Member

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Shella Thoman, County Clerk

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Ron Copple, Member