

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JULY 31, 2023
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 31, 2023 in the Commissioners' room at 811 Washington, Concordia, Kansas with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Michael Cleveland and Ron Copple, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Tonya Sulanka, Health Department Administrator.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Bruce Graham & Florence Girard, Cloud County Museum; Nicole Reed, Cloud Corp Executive Director; and Deb Ohlde, North Central Regional Planning. Attending by Zoom: Jeffery Jordan and Sam Walenz, Foulston Siefken, LLP

Bruce Graham & Florence Girard, Cloud County Museum reported they are a top-rated museum in the State of Kansas, are in need of volunteers and requested an increase in funding for 2024. The Museum will have an open house on October 19th.

Nicole Reed, Cloud Corp Executive Director; and Deb Ohlde, North Central Regional Planning discussed the State of Kansas Community Development Block Grant – COVID Resiliency program. Costs can be used for business improvements that directly impact the resiliency of the business to a pandemic-like event or public emergency. The maximum grant per company is \$50,000 and 51% of employees must meet the LMI per company. Businesses interesting in apply can contact Cloud Corp.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved applying for the Community Development Block Grant – COVID Resiliency (CDBG-CVR) funding.

Tonya Sulanka, Health Department Administrator reported that they would be participating in National Night Out and Toottlefest promoting the Safe Kids program.

Acknowledged the resignation of Madison Sibley effective August 18, 2023.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved a 15-minute executive session for attorney-client privilege to discuss the Law Enforcement Center resuming open session at 10:48 a.m., Rob Walsh, County Attorney; Jeffery Jordan and Sam Walenz, Foulston Siefken, LLP and Thoman.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved extending the executive session 10-minute for attorney-client privilege to discuss the Law Enforcement Center resuming open session at 10:58 a.m., Rob

Walsh, County Attorney; Jeffery Jordan and Sam Walenz, Foulston Siefken, LLP and Thoman.

Sales tax received July 25, 2023 totaled \$92,612.24 compared to the prior year totaling \$85,129.28.

The Board approved the following expenses totaling \$255,557.53

General Fund – \$33,527.94	Road & Bridge – \$131,602.73
Employee Benefits - \$220.66	Juvenile Justice - \$60,236.63
Appraisal - \$5,370.92	Juvenile Reinvestment - \$8.27
Community Correc - \$239.12	County Health - \$1,608.36
Noxious Weed - \$222.52	Election - \$39.09
Solid Waste - \$22,399.82	Co Tourism & Convention - \$81.47

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

Commissioner Copple attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting on Thursday July 27th in Miltonvale and the Pawnee Mental Health Board meeting in Clay Center on Tuesday July 25th. Commissioner Caspers attended the KWORCC Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday July 27th in Topeka.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved the July 24, 2023 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 11:06 a.m., until Monday August 7, 2023.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Gary Caspers, Chairman

Michael Cleveland, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Ron Copple, Member