

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
SEPTEMBER 18, 2023
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 18, 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: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Tonya Sulanka, Health Department Administrator; Ken Davis, Sheriff; and Jeff Thoman, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; and Kim Muff, USD Education Fund Director / Grant Writer.

Jeff Thoman, Maintenance Manager discussed purchasing a shed, painting the brown shed and removing the metal shed.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved the Maintenance Department purchasing a Derksen Portable 16 x 24 side utility building for \$10,250.00

Kim Muff, USD Education Fund Director / Grant Writer discussed the Child Care needs for Cloud County. Muff reported that the Community College has re-started up the child care certification and associate's programs and the district is currently conducting an early childhood education survey.

Tonya Sulanka, Health Department Administrator reported that the Community Baby Shower will be October 22nd from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at the First United Methodist Church. October 14th is the Health Fair at the North Central Kansas Medical Center, flu shots will be available and they'll have Safe Sleep information. They have been instructed by the CDC to destroy all COVID vaccines in stock and a new vaccine will be coming out. Sulanka will be attending the Health Administrators conference on September 27th and Katie Kern will be attending the Safe Sleep Training Certification on September 28th and 29th.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a resolution for a speed limit sign near the Clifton Clyde High School, a supplemental agreement to project 15 C-4966-01 (signing project) and a new hire and discussed the Road agreement for the Green Belt transmission project.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved hiring Larry Miller as an Equipment Operator at an introductory rate of \$17.00 per hour for 6 months effective September 18, 2023.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2023-18 establishing a maximum speed of 20 mph on Teal Road going north 650 feet on North 280th road

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) Supplement Agreement no. 1 to Agreement No. 257-21 for project No. 15-C-4966-01 (UP Bridge).

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported that 43,406 lbs. of cardboard was sold at \$75 a ton.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved a 15-minute executive session for personnel exception to discuss non-elected personnel resuming open session at 10:54 a.m., including Ken Davis, Sheriff and Thoman.

Commissioner Cleveland suggested that we work on a Work from Home Policy and COVID policy.

Recognized the wage change for Leah Robinson, Community Corrections / Juvenile Services Secretary II from \$18.57 to \$19.05.

The Board approved the following payroll expenses totaling \$181,239.96

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General Fund – \$96,159.83 Road & Bridge - \$44,743.69
Appraiser - \$7,335.13 County Health - \$23,448.97
Noxious Weed - \$1,877.15 Election - \$1,662.29
Solid Waste - \$6,012.90

Payroll Deductions & Benefits - \$199,040.37

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

Commissioner Copple attended the Cloud County Resource Council meeting on Tuesday September 12th. Commissioner Cleveland attended the USD Board of Education meeting on Tuesday September 12th and gave a presentation to the Concordia JAG class. All Commissioners attended the NIMS 402 (Overview for Senior Officials) training on Tuesday September 12th.

On a motion by Commissioner Cleveland, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved the September 11, 2023 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 11:10 a.m., until Monday September 25, 2023.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Gary Caspers, Chairman

Michael Cleveland, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Ron Copple, Member