

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
SEPTEMBER 25, 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 25, 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: Rob Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director and Kim Winsett, County Appraiser.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK.

Rob Walsh, County Attorney and Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director discussed the Solid Waste agreement. Hake will put an ad in the paper with a bid deadline.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the cost share application, leveling course and 2-inch overlay for the Ames / Miltonvale road. The leveling course will not make the road completely smooth; the overlay will be in 2024. Reported that 60th road between Hwy 28 and Rock Road is closed for bridge repairs. Done spraying for sericea and spraying for Johnson grass.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved a 10-minute executive session for attorney-client exception to discuss the Law Enforcement Center resuming open session at 9:45 a.m., including Jeff Jordan, Foulston Siefkin LLP and Thoman.

On a motion by Commissioner Cleveland, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved the settlement with Westchester of \$350,000 for the Law Enforcement Center construction based on discussion with counsel.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board proclaimed October 2023 as Down Syndrome Awareness month throughout the County and encourage all of Cloud County to work together to promote awareness of Down syndrome and to celebrate the accomplishments of individuals and their families.

Kim Winsett, County Appraiser discussed the agreement for services with Mass Appraisal Specialist, Inc. The agreement includes work to perform appraisal analysis and delivery of such analysis regarding, residential neighborhood analysis, land valuation, property depreciation, trend study, index study, comparable sales, mobile home depreciation, commercial neighborhood analysis, land valuation, property depreciation, trend study, index study, income approach, agricultural land market valuation and PVD guide values. Payments for services will be split in two payments of \$4,475 due November 1, 2023 and \$4,475 due March 1, 2024. On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by

Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved the agreement for appraisal services with Mass Appraisal Specialists, Inc. to perform appraisal analysis for a total of \$8,950.00.

Recognized the resignation of Garrett Kimminau and Brenda Thomas as Corrections Officers and the passing of Jerry Bunch. The Board expresses their condolences to the family of Jerry Bunch and their appreciation of his service to Cloud County.

Recognized the wage change of Sarah Yungeberg, Intensive Supervision Officer from \$27.43 to \$29.52.

The Board approved the following expenses totaling \$169,153.15

General Fund – \$54,410.90	Road & Bridge – \$29,102.44
Special Bridge - \$919.26	Juvenile Justice - \$2,872.03
Appraisal - \$2,936.22	Juvenile Reinvestment - \$46.48
Community Correc - \$634.92	County Health - \$6,981.88
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Special Building - \$37,300.00	Court Services - \$36.00
Solid Waste - \$21,927.65	Co Tourism & Convention - \$8,629.53
Employee Benefits - \$227.15	

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

Commissioner Cleveland attended the River Valley Extension annual meeting on Monday September 18th and the Courthouse safety meeting on Wednesday September 20th. Commissioner Caspers attended the Juvenile Detention Committee meeting in Mankato on Wednesday September 20th and the CASA Board meeting on Tuesday September 19th.

On a motion by Commissioner Cleveland, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved the September 18, 2023 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 10:26 a.m., until Monday October 2, 2023.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Gary Caspers, Chairman

Michael Cleveland, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Ron Copple, Member