

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
DECEMBER 4, 2023
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 4, 2023 in the Commissioners' room at 811 Washington, Concordia, Kansas with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Ron Copple and Michael Cleveland, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Kim Winsett, County Appraiser; and Tonya Sulanka, Health Department Administrator.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Russell Gannon, Blade Empire; Nicole Reed, Cloud Corp Administrative Director; Tom Lecuyer and Mitch Mansfield.

The Board broke two ties for City Council following the 2023 General Election held on November 7th, one for Aurora and one for Jamestown. Tom Lecuyer was drawn for Aurora City and Amber Colby for Jamestown.

Tonya Sulanka, Health Department Administrator discussed the Maternal Child Health (MCH) Safe Sleep program. A \$1,000 grant was received for Safe Sleep and a \$1,000 from the Duclous Foundation for the Crisis pantry. An Immunization audit was completed Friday with only one ding due to a delayed shipment in immunizations resulting in the need to borrow from the State's supply.

Acknowledged the resignation of Chelsey Simon, County Health Office Manager effective December 22, 2023.

Nicole Reed, CloudCorp Administrative Director reported that the Workforce recruitment grant in the amount of \$60,000 was getting lined up. The Annual CloudCorp luncheon will be held on February 6th. Discussed waiving Neighborhood Revitalization fees for 4 properties that will be infilled in the City of Concordia. No decision was made.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved the Professional Services Agreement with CloudCorp for the Calendar year 2024 for a total of \$58,000.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the Utility permit and reported that Hall Brother's were scheduled to begin work this week.

On a motion by Commissioner Cople, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved the Request & Petition for utility for Gary Bachand to put electric and water ½ mile north from the intersection of 260th and Oat Roads.

Kim Winsett, County Appraiser discussed the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) fees for the City's infill project. No decision was made.

On a motion by Commissioner Cleveland, second by Commissioner Cople, unanimous vote the Board approved the cash farm lease agreement with Carl Jacobson for approximately 57 acres of hay land at \$50.00 an acre and approximately 54 acres of crop land at \$150.00 an acre for the period beginning March 1, 2024 and ending on March 1, 2028.

On a motion by Commissioner Cleveland, second by Commissioner Cople, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2023-20 cancelling check #218446 issued September 11, 2023 in the amount of \$185.00 to Bee Creative due to an incorrect vendor.

On a motion by Commissioner Cople, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved establishing a Safety fund.

The Board approved July 5th as the County floating holiday for 2024 and December 2023 as an employee premium free month for health insurance. Approved depositing the Law Enforcement Center settlement payment in the Special Building fund.

Sales tax received November 27, 2023 totaled \$86,961.42 compared to the prior year totaling, \$93,445.06.

The Board approved the following expenses totaling 113,928.27

General Fund – \$48,240.39	Road & Bridge – \$9,437.61
Special Bridge - \$	Juvenile Justice - \$502.18
Appraisal - \$1,049.36	Juvenile Reinvestment - \$119.18
Community Correc - \$147.47	County Health - \$15,312.66
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Election C.O. - \$433.03
Solid Waste - \$31,665.43

Field Services - \$29.99
Co Tourism & Convention - \$851.60

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

The Board attended the Concordia Senior Center Thanksgiving dinner Monday November 27th. Commissioner Caspers attended the Cloud Corp Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday November 28th. Commissioner Copple attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting on Thursday November 30th.

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

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 12:03 a.m., until Monday December 11, 2023.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Gary Caspers, Chairman

Michael Cleveland, Member

Sheila Thoman, County Clerk

Ron Copple, Member