

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS  
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS  
APRIL 8, 2024  
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 8, 2024 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; Stacie LaBarge, Deputy Election Clerk; James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director; Gary Will, Clint Viereck, Dan Lahodny, Michael Young, Mason Ferron, K'Lynn Barr, Ayla Collins and Kinley Hanson.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK and Julie Willoughy, DVACK.

The Board welcomed new employees Gary Will, Clint Viereck, Dan Lahodny, Michael Young, Mason Ferron, K'Lynn Barr, Ayla Collins and Kinley Hanson and thanked them for serving Cloud County.

Julie Willoughy, DVACK presented a proclamation for Sexual Assault Awareness month. Willoughy reported that they take donations of clothing and household items and are looking for volunteers.

On a motion by Commissioner Cleveland, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board proclaimed the month of April as Sexual Assault Awareness month.

The Board thanked Stacie LaBarge, Deputy Election Clerk for her service and dedication to Cloud County and was announced as Employee of the Month. This is the first month for Employee of the Month. All employees of Cloud County can be nominated after completing one year of employment. Monthly employees are eligible for Employee of the Year.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director discussed trailer bids with the Board. Bids were received from Larry's Trailer Sales & Service for \$79,000 and Travis Body & Trailer for \$89,600 (without trade). Hake reported that Jewell County will be looking at the trade trailer this week. No decision was made.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported that work is continuing on 90<sup>th</sup> road and that the bridge on Meridian Road between Jade & Key is now open.

The Board recognized the termination of Marshall Charbonneau, Equipment Operator effective April 12<sup>th</sup>.

James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director reported that the storm spotter class will be in the president's room on April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m., LEPC will be April 15<sup>th</sup> and that he attended the Clyde City Council meeting.

The Board discussed and updated the job descriptions for the County Highway Administrator and County Weed Director combining the job to one position and wage.

The Board approved the following expenses totaling \$166,153.00

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| General Fund – \$55,026.37     | Road & Bridge – \$35,252.67        |
| Special Bridge - \$13,985.23   | Juvenile Justice - \$211.97        |
| Appraisal - \$139.14           | Juvenile Reinvestment - \$24.98    |
| Community Correc - \$751.20    | County Health - \$18,916.66        |
| Noxious Weed - \$3,693.30      | Election - \$5,194.15              |
| Auto Special - \$36.00         | Court Services - \$2,958.14        |
| Solid Waste - \$20,837.17      | Co Tourism & Convention - \$651.02 |
| Employee Benefits - \$1,175.00 | VIN Inspection - \$7,300.00        |

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

Commissioner Cleveland attended the Cloud County Community College Technical Education Center building tour on Friday April 5<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Cleveland and Couple attended the Regional Highway Administrators meeting on Wednesday April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

On a motion by Commissioner Cleveland, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved the April 1, 2024 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 12:04 p.m., until Monday April 15, 2024.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

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Gary Caspers, Chairman

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Michael Cleveland, Member

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Shella Thoman, County Clerk

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Ron Copple, Member