

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS  
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS  
JUNE 24, 2024  
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 24, 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: Rod Michaud, Interim Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; and James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Dannie Kearn

Rod Michaud, Interim Highway Administrator discussed selling millings to the public, the Board wants to keep them for County use. Reported they started spraying Johnson grass and will be getting rid of old oil barrels.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved a 10-minute executive session for personnel exception to discuss non-elected personnel resuming open session at 9:10 a.m., including Rod Michaud and Thoman.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Rod Michaud as the County Highway / Weed Administrator effective June 16, 2024 at a yearly rate of \$58,000 when the Noxious Weed license is obtained there will be an increase of \$5,000.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported the new trailer was delivered and Jewell County purchased the old trailer for \$34,500. Roof damage did not meet the deductible for insurance to pay for repairs. Summer hours at the Recycling Center have started and are from 6:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director presented documentation for the generator grant.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman to sign the Assurance and Lobbying forms in reference to the generator grant application.

The Board received an opinion of probable construction cost to repair and move the Cloud County Health Department entrance at an estimated cost of \$240,416. This does not include the design cost.

On a motion by Commissioner Cleveland, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved a 5-minute executive session for personnel exception to discuss non-elected personnel resuming open session at 9:42 a.m., including Thoman.

The Board approved the following payroll expenses totaling \$183,447.70

General Fund – \$97,224.26	Road & Bridge - \$51,480.19
Appraiser - \$5,605.41	County Health - \$20,935.79
Noxious Weed - \$1,385.52	Election - \$1,710.52
Solid Waste - \$5,106.01	

Payroll Deductions & Benefits - \$222,568.31

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 Board meeting on Tuesday June 18<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Caspers attended the CASA Board meeting on Tuesday June 18<sup>th</sup> in Concordia and Juvenile Detention Committee meeting on Wednesday June 19<sup>th</sup> in Republic County. Commissioner Cleveland and Commissioner Caspers attended a meeting with the Concordia Senior Center and the Saline County Department of Senior Services to discuss the experiences the Concordia Senior Center had in terminating the Friendship Meals program with the North Central Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging.

On a motion by Commissioner Cleveland, second by Commissioner Copple, unanimous vote the Board approved the June 17, 2024 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Cleveland, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 12:02 p.m., until Monday July 1, 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