

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 18, 2020
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 18, 2020 in the Commissioners' room at 811 Washington, Concordia, Kansas with Chairman Bill Czapanskiy, Members Gary Caspers and Bill Garrison, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; and Rob Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending: Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken, LLP; Jason Wheeler, Central Kansas Electric; Jacob Thoman, Jason Martin and Jessica Presler, City of Jamestown; Jeremy Hacker, United Bank and Trust; Charles Johnson, Public Building Commission; Dustin Avey, Piper & Sandler Co.; Krista Mann and Cristian Hernandez, Invenergy

Rob Walsh, County Attorney and Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken, LLP (by phone) discussed the steps moving forward on the Law Enforcement Center. Hoch would touch base with Tom Richard and Bill Czapanskiy this week.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported that they were demoing a skid steer with a tree cutter option this week. The excavator needs work and considering purchasing a replacement. Asch is working on the engineer report for the state.

Jason Wheeler, Central Kansas Electric discussed his bid for the Courthouse camera upgrade. Wheeler pulled all the wire on the original system when it was installed as a contractor for File Safe.

Jason Martin, Jacob Thoman, and Jessica Presler, City of Jamestown presented a Wind Farm application for project: New City Hall in the amount of \$25,000. The total project is estimated at \$110,000. The original City Hall was destroyed by fire in 2000, the community renovated another building however the outer walls were intended to be interior walls and not meant to protect the building from the elements. After many years of water exposure, the building now has an abundance of mold. The City will build on the east side of Walnut in the same location as the original City Hall.

The Board recessed at 11:01 a.m. to attend the Local Emergency Preparedness Committee meeting, session resumed at 2:30 p.m.

Jeremy Hacker, United Bank and Trust discussed the Law Enforcement Center bond refinance. Hacker returned later in the meeting, after a discussion with Avey, and felt like it was in the best interest of the County to move forward with the refinance as planned but asked to be considered for future banking needs.

The Board made a call to Dustin Avey, Piper Sandler about the idea of local banks financing the project. Avey would contact Hacker and discuss the project.

Krista Mann and Cristian Hernandez, Invenergy discussed their company and the Grain Belt Express transmission line project that begins in Dodge City and ends in Chicago. Contact with landowners will be ongoing during 2020.

The Board received a refund check from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas in the amount of \$197,595.45.

Commissioner Czapanskiy attended the Cloud County Resource Council meeting and Economic Development 101 workshop on Wednesday February 12th and the Chemical Dependency meeting on Friday February 14th.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements 2020-46 thru 2020-50 totaling \$118.28.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman to sign the liquor license for Rick Simpson that was approved by the Lincoln Township Board for the Cloud County Fairgrounds.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Transfer No. 2020-0218-1 debiting Special Economic Development/Disbursement and crediting Rural Lakes (ROZ)/Reimbursed Expense \$4,254.40 to reimburse the fund for check #210019 to the Kansas Department of Commerce for the ROZ program.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2020-05 voiding 8 checks totaling \$570.82. Checks were dated October 2017 - January 2018.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification changes for Joel Anderson, Christopher Santos and Matthew Nevins for a wage change to \$15.93 effective February 16, 2020.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change for Austin Howard from Corrections Officer to Jail Administrator with a wage change from \$15.32 to \$18.40 effective February 16, 2020.

The Board approved the following expenses totaling \$199,490.14.

General Fund – \$83,568.60	Road & Bridge – \$48,578.80
Juvenile Reinvestment - \$68.24	Special Building - \$17,451.00
Juvenile Justice - \$117.89	Community Correc - \$333.07

Appraisal - \$220.56
Noxious Weed - \$657.19
Solid Waste - \$18,510.78
Employee Benefits - \$1,000.00

County Health - \$6,154.68
Election - \$2,645.51
Co Tourism & Convention – \$20,157.82
Vending Machines - \$26.00

The above expense detail is available at the County Clerk's office

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the February 10, 2020 minutes with a correction to add Brett Melton, River Valley Extension District to those attending.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 4:28 p.m., until Monday February 24, 2020.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Bill Czapanskiy, Chairman

Gary Caspers, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Bill Garrison, Member