

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
OCTOBER 4, 2021
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 4, 2021 in the Commissioners' room at 811 Washington, Concordia, Kansas with Members Bill Czapanskiy and Ron Copple, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager; and Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Chris Morris and Peyavali Hashipala, EDP Renewables.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported it was an estimated \$2.1 – \$2.3 million to fix the Ames/Miltonvale Road and he was in communications with the lawyers assisting with the case. Ron asked Asch to look at Acorn Road south of Miltonvale.

Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator reported flu clinics would be this week in Jamestown, Miltonvale, the Courthouse and the Concordia Senior Center. As of Friday we had a 1,226 positive count.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved an executive session for personnel exception to discuss wages including Brandi Bray and Shella Thoman for 10 minutes returning to open session at 9:59 a.m.

Henry Eilert, Maintenance Manager discussed waiting on the asbestos removal from the boiler until next year, we would have to reapply to the State for matching funds.

Chris Morris and Peyavali Hashipala, EDP Renewables discussed the Plum Nellie Windfarm. The farm would include 35-43 turbines and be a 200 mega watt farm. Morris asked that the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreement be signed by the end of the year. The PILOT will not be a gift like the Meridan Way Farm and is proposed at \$1,000 a mega-watt for 10 years, they will then be required to pay an approximate \$1.9 in taxes beginning at year 11.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved classification change for Timothy D. Wogomon Jr from \$17.00 to \$17.50 an hour and Christopher J. Santos from \$17.43 to \$17.50 effective October 10, 2021.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Copple, the Board approved Gary Caspers as voting delegate and Ron Copple as alternate for the KCAMP and KWORCC annual meetings at the KAC conference October 18, 2021.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved proclaiming October 2021 as Domestic Violence Awareness month and encourage all citizens to know the facts about domestic violence, to familiarize themselves with resources, to recognize subtle signs of control tactics, to act as safe support systems, to speak up against perpetrators of violence and any messages that inadvertently condone domestic violence, to get involved, to teach others and prepare future generations for healthy relationships, and to donate time or resources to their local domestic violence agency.

Sales tax received September 24th totaled \$75,00.89 compared to the prior year totaling \$62,187.36.

The Board approved the following payroll expenses totaling \$170,919.57

General Fund – \$89,708.51	Road & Bridge - \$48,292.97
Appraiser - \$5,444.29	County Health - \$18,002.97
Noxious Weed - \$1,763.96	Election - \$1,536.92
Solid Waste - \$6,169.95	

Payroll Deductions & Benefits - \$70,010.62

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

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, the Board approved abatements 2021-195 to 2021-210 with a net change totaling \$509.04.

Commissioner Copple participated in the Pawnee Mental Health Board meeting on Tuesday September 28th by Zoom.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the September 27, 2021 minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Copple, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 11:02 a.m., until Monday October 11, 2021.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Gary Caspers, Chairman

Bill Czapanskiy, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Ron Copple, Member