

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
NOVEMBER 16, 2020
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 16, 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; Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator (by conference call); and James Quillen, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Kathy Coleman; Dr. Dorothy Breault, Dr. Justin Poore & Dr. Daniel Garlow, Cloud County Health Center; Amy Lange, Concordia City Manager; Shane Champlin, Cody Odette.

To accommodate attendees the meeting was moved to the meeting room.

Dr. Breault, Health Officer, Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator, Dr. Poore & Dr. Garlow requested the Board implement a Mandatory Mask mandate. The mandate would be for public spaces, for a minimum of 30 days and would include language for non-compliance. The mandate would not only help on the spread but the strain on the health field who are having difficulties finding hospitals to send patients for treatment. Commissioner Czapanskiy shared research from KU showing masks not being successful. A request of a mandate would create our own data and evaluate in 30 days. It's not expected to see a decrease of numbers in the next 2 weeks, but a safety net to help slow down the spread. Heard immunity and vaccinations are months down the road. Cloud County has 7 residents hospitalized (2 in County), nearly the Norton County rate. In the last 2 weeks 336 people were quarantined; taking people out of the work force and school. A mandate would send a message that residents need to do more. Commissioner Caspers reported that the majority of residents that contacted him are in favor of a mandate; however he didn't care for the fees for enforcement.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, a 2 yes, 1 no vote the Board approved Health order 2020-30 requiring the wearing of masks or other face coverings within Cloud County including enforcement of quarantine and isolation effective November 16, 2020.

Brandi Bray, Health Department Administrator (by conference call) reported they were getting an estimate to replace a roof top unit. The unit would be paid by a grant received by CASA.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he had a call into Coughlin to confirm meeting November 23rd. The department is patching and the height restriction sign is up on the Glasco bridge.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved December as a health/dental insurance premium free month for County employees using refund funds.

Recognized the resignation of Kody Halfhide, Maintenance effective October 26, 2020.

Recognized the wage change for Jennifer Williams from \$13.65 to \$14.70 effective November 9, 2020.

The Board approved the followings CARES expenses totaling \$217,871.43:

Cloud County - \$196,834.48	Concordia City – 21,036.95
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The Board approved the following payroll expenses totaling \$178,257.05

General Fund – \$81,021.37	Road & Bridge – \$45,922.60
Appraisal - \$5,216.77	County Health - \$36,810.46
Noxious Weed - \$1,726.46	Election - \$1,931.62
Solid Waste - \$5,627.77	

Payroll Deductions & Benefits - \$203,724.09

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

Commissioner Czapanskiy participated in the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on Friday November 13, 2020 by Zoom.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the November 9, 2020 minutes as presented.

The Board recessed from 11:00 a.m. to 1:05 p.m. to attend the Local Emergency Preparedness Committee (LEPC) meeting.

On a motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board adjourned at 1:16 p.m., until Monday November 23, 2020.

Cloud County Board of Commissioners

Attested:

Bill Czapanskiy, Chairman

Gary Caspers, Member

Shella Thoman, County Clerk

Bill Garrison, Member