

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JANUARY 2, 2007
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 January 2, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Richard Chartier and Bill Garrison, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff.

Others attending were: Johnita Crawford; P. J. Owen with Owen Trucking.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney visited with the Board about changes that need to be made to the Employee Handbook, the new concealed carry law and various other items.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported on the snow removal process. Asch will be attending the District Weed Association meeting to be held on Thursday, January 4, in Salina.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Chartier, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2006-00070 and 2006-00071 totaling \$81.80.

The Board accepted the resignation of Melissa Loeffler as Grant Township Clerk.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Chartier, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as written.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and P.J. Owen with Owen Trucking presented the 2007 hauling contract. On motion by Commissioner Chartier, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the contract.

Mills reported he will be arranging a meeting with the Republic County Commissioners to discuss the Solid Waste billing process.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Chartier, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-01 designating the Concordia Blade Empire as the official County newspaper.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Chartier, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-02 designating the depositories for county officers. Central National Bank was named depository for the County Clerk and sheriff. Citizens National Bank was named as depository for the County Attorney. United Bank & Trust was named depository for the register of deeds. All banks in the county were named depositories for the County Treasurer.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Chartier, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-03 concerning waiver of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a 2% cost of living wage increase for county employees, with the exception of the County Commissioners, to be effective January 7, the first day of the next pay period. After discussion the Board decided the Motor Vehicle portion of the County Treasurers salary would remain at \$5,250, the same as in past years, with an adjustment to be made at the end of the year. On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board tabled a decision on the amount of additional compensation for the County Clerk for Election services.

The Board adjourned at 11:20 a.m. until Monday, January 8, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JANUARY 8, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 8, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Commissioners Gary Caspers, Johnita Crawford and Bill Garrison, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Jerry Collins, Computer Technician; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator.

Others attending were: Robin Cole, Pawnee Mental Health Executive Director.

The Board reorganized, electing Commissioner Bill Garrison as Chairman for 2007 on motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2006-00072 thru 2006-00082 totaling \$784.44.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as written.

The Board reviewed the billing received from KCAMP, in the amount of \$89,319 for the County's property and liability insurance.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a utility agreement with Twin Valley Telephone of Miltonvale for buried fiber optic cable in the Clyde, Aurora, Glasco exchange areas. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the utility agreement.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2007 Employment Contract for Asch as Highway Administrator/Weed Director.

Asch reported on the District Weed Association meeting he attended in Salina on January 4, 2007.

The Board conducted their monthly department head meeting.

Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent reported she is doing programs in the schools. Gerhardt reported there are 2 new agents working in Republic County.

Sheryl William, County Treasurer reported they are getting ready to distribute the first half taxes collected and they are doing renewals for trailers and big trucks.

Jerry Collins, Computer Technician reported he is completing the year end processing and doing updates to begin the new year. Collins is helping the Convention and Tourism Committee get their web page set up on the County website at www.cloudcountyks.org.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director reported they are doing year end reports for KDHE.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported on snow removal and patching of roads. The Weed Department is doing year end reports.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported on the status of the alarm system and boiler repairs at the Health Dept. Johnson wanted to remind the department heads about the Optimist Sale which will be held in March.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff reported they have ordered vehicles and gave a report on the total number of transport miles for the year.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator reported they are having internet problems. Weber reported they are working on grant applications and she is working on contracts for the Health Officer and Pharmacist.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported the filing deadline for City/School elections in noon on January 23rd. The Clerk's office is doing year end processing for payroll and budgetary.

The Department Head meeting ended at 10:35 a.m.

The Board resumed open session at 10:40 a.m.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director reported they are doing year end reports for KDHE. Mills will be attending the KDHE meeting in Hutchinson in April, where they will be discussing recycling, solid waste and tire recycling.

The Board made their committee appointments for 2007.

Robin Cole, Pawnee Mental Health Executive Director presented the 2007 contract. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the contract.

Cole reported Cloud County has 2 vacancies on the Pawnee Mental Health Board of Directors and they are still looking for someone to fill these positions.

The Board will attend the Health Dept. Advisory Board annual meeting to be held on January 11, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. at the Health Dept.

The Board recessed at 12:10 p.m. and will resume at 2:00 p.m. for a work session.

The Board resumed at 2:00 p.m. for a work session and adjourned at 2:45 p.m. until Monday, January 15, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JANUARY 15, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 15, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Kevin Riddle, JJA/Comm. Corrections Director; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton; Dave Tangeman and Gene Wilson, Phone Connections.

Signed Department Payroll Checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed various items.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-4 to cancel check \$103460 in the amount of \$40.00.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as written.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a Utility Right of Way Agreement with Twin Valley Telephone for an upgrade of fiber optic cables at the following locations:

- At the Clay County line on Deer Road and Meridan Road
- 9 locations on Cloud Road from 80th Road to 160th Road
- 1 location on 78th Road
- 13 locations on Acorn Road from 80th to 150th Road
- 3 locations on 110th Road between Acorn Road and Bell Road
- 7 locations on Bell Road between 100th and 150th Road
- 1 location on 155th Road between Acorn Road and Cloud Road
- 3 locations on Camp Road between 140th Road (US81) and 150th Road
- 1 location on 150th Road between Camp Road and Deer Road (Hwy 24)

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Right of Way agreement.

The Board discussed the employment agreement with Asch that was signed last week. After discussion Asch will be compensated \$37,514.56 for services as Highway Administrator and \$13,300.00 for services as Weed Director, for a total of \$50,847.16.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director reported he will be sending one (1) employee to Manhattan on February 13th to attend a seminar on "Composting Dead Animals".

Mills reported 7,881 tons of waste was hauled to Topeka in 2006 compared to 8,000 tons hauled in 2005. Mills stated 222 ½ tons of recyclables have been shipped since the Recycling Center opened in April 2006.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2007 employment contract with Mills in the amount of \$16.84 per hour.

Arlene Clayton discussed a study completed by the University of North Dakota concerning ethanol, ethanol plants and grain production.

Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the quarterly reports for Community Corrections and Juvenile Justice.

Riddle presented two Resolutions for appointments to the JJA Advisory Board. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-5 to appoint Johnita Crawford as Cloud County's representative to the JJA Board and Resolution #07-6 to appoint Steven Greene, Jewell County Commissioner as Jewell County's representative.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator presented a contract with Justin M. Poore, D.O. as Cloud County Health Officer for 2007. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the contract.

Weber presented a contract with Doug Funk as Pharmacist for 2007. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the contract.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2007 employment agreement with Weber, in the amount of \$37,791.

The Board attended the Health Advisory Board meeting on Thursday, January 11th.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a 5 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive session at 11:20 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:25 a.m.

Commissioner Crawford reported on the Tourism Committee meeting she attended on Wednesday, January 10th.

The Board recessed at 11:40 a.m. and will resume at 1:00 p.m.

The Board resumed open session at 1:00 p.m.

Dave Tangeman and Gene Wilson with Phone Connections presented information on a new phone system and on the Plexar System.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2007 employment contract with Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager, in the amount of \$15.10 per hour.

The Board adjourned at 2:50 p.m., until Monday, January 22, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JANUARY 22, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 22, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, Computer Technician.

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton; Jim Anderson, Chemical Dependency Committee; Larry Paine, Concordia City Manager; Dan Parker, Concordia Police Chief; Bruno Rehbein and Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed various topics.

Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director discussed department vehicles.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the fuel monitoring system with Farmway. The Board felt this will save the County money when it is implemented.

Asch presented information on the cost of striping the white edge line (shoulders) of the Fort Kearney Road. The cost to stripe 13 miles would be approximately \$5,809.60 or \$446.89 per mile.

Asch reported the bids have been let on Bridge Project 15-C-4113-01 last week with a low bid of approximately \$198,000 from Reece Construction of Scandia.

Arlene Clayton discussed the process of selecting Magistrate Judges and also the buildings at the Fairgrounds.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director presented information on the total tonnage hauled, from the Transfer Station, to Topeka in 2006. Mills reported on a meeting he has arranged with the Republic County Commissioners on February 5th at 1:30 to discuss Solid Waste matters.

Jerry Collins, Computer Technician presented a request to change the name of the Computer Department to the IT (Information Technology) Department. Collins also requested a classification change to include a job title change from computer technician to IT Manager and consider a change in wages to reflect the classification change. The Board will take this under advisement.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as written.

Jim Anderson, Chemical Dependency Committee presented the 2007 Funding Agreement in the amount of \$15,027. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2007 Funding Agreement. Anderson discussed training sessions on meth to be held on February 28th for county employees.

Commissioner Caspers gave a report on the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting he attended on Friday, January 19th.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2006-00083 to 2006-00089 totaling \$640.76.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved having the Chairman sign a letter to appoint Commissioner Crawford as Cloud County's representative on the NCK Regional Homeland Security Board.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved having the Chairman sign the CDBG Disclosure Report for the Cloud County Rural Water District #1 project. The Board reviewed and approved a voucher for payment, from grant funds, to Ditch Diggers of Salina in the amount of \$54,462.87.

The Board recessed at 12:05 p.m. and will resume at 1:30 for a tour of the old weather station building.

The Board met with Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director; Larry Paine, City Manager; Bruno Rehbein, City Building Inspector; Dan Parker, Concordia Police Chief for a tour of the old weather station building. Eubanks presented information on the need for an Emergency Operations Plan and an Emergency Operations Center, so both the City and County would be prepared in case of a disaster.

The Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m. until Monday, January 29, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JANUARY 29, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 29, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff; Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Barry Porter, Appraiser, Sheryl Williams, Treasurer; Judy Lambert, Deputy Register of Deeds; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Sherry Nelson, Secretary of the Solid Waste Dept.

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton; Larry Paine, Concordia City Manager.

Reviewed Department expense vouchers and signed payroll checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed various items with the Board.

Walsh requested a 5 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive session at 9:12 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:17 a.m.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 07-7 to cancel check # 105034 in the amount of \$3.94.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-8 urging Federal and State Governments to Retain Drivers License Renewals at the Local Level.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented prices for culvert pipe from:

J & J Drainage, Hutchinson	\$5,387.14
DC Wholesale, Concordia	5,483.65
Welborn Sales, Salina	5,515.02

The Board requested he purchase the pipe from DC Wholesale, the local company.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 07-9 for Authority to Award Contract on Bridge Project 15-4113-01. The low bid was from Reece Construction Co., Ins., of Scandia, for \$196,479.38. Cloud County's estimated cost will be \$43,300.

Arlene Clayton discussed CloudCorp and Gold/Thomen.

Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff presented personnel classifications to hire Kevin L. Diers and Jesse W. Payeur as fulltime Road Officers at \$12.76 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2 hires.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as written.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2007-00092 thru 2006-00114 totaling \$1,744.10.

Barry Porter, Appraiser, Judy Lambert, Deputy Register of Deeds, Sheryl Williams, Treasurer and Linda Bogart, County Clerk visited with the Board about the need to upgrade the phone system.

Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director visited with the Board about the sale of vehicles.

Commissioner Garrison reported on the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting he attended on Thursday, January 25.

Commissioner Crawford reported on the Homeland Security meeting she attended on Tuesday, January 23.

The Board recessed at 12:00 and will resume open session at 1:15 p.m.

The Board resumed open session at 1:15 p.m. with Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Sherry Nelson, Secretary for the Solid Waste Dept.

Mills and Nelson discussed the tonnage hauled and the cost of hauling waste to Topeka.

Larry Paine, Concordia City Manager visited with the Board about various topics.

The Board gave the Clerk permission to sign the Applications for Tax Exemption for AgMark.

The Commissioners will attend training for County Commissioners in Topeka on February 1st and 2nd.

The Board adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 5, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 5, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Sherry Nelson, Solid Waste Secretary.

Others attending were: Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp; Tracy Cooper, IKON Financial Services; Vickie Hall, Republic County Clerk; Linda Holl, Marvin Bergstrom, Frank Rytch, Republic County Commissioners; Charlie Joy, Highway Administrator.

Signed Department Expense checks.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff visited with the Board about medical bills for prisoners.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 07-10 to cancel check # 105288 in the amount of \$134.65 and Resolution #07-11 to cancel check #105118 in the amount of \$88.09.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the Charter Resolution regarding the change in the transient guest tax.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator invited the Board to a “CAT Care meeting” sponsored by Martin Tractor Company to be held Thursday, February 8th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the American Legion Hall.

Asch discussed the error on the road sign at 145th Road, he reported this is not a County road sign but he has contacted the State about the error.

Ash reported the year-end reports for the Weed Dept. are complete and he will bring them in next week for signature by the Board.

Asch requested a \$1.00 per hour increase for the office clerk and shop clerk, since they will be taking on additional duties for the Weed Dept. The Board will take this under advisement.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as written.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements 2006-00115 through 2006-00120 totaling \$2,525.38.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp visited with the Board about the Phase II Project at the Jamestown Wildlife Area. Ducks Unlimited is working with the North American Wetlands Conservation Act and the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks to apply for the Phase II Grant in the amount of 1.43 million dollars. Lowell is requesting a commitment of \$2,000 from Cloud County as a portion of the local match required for the grant application. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the \$2,000 commitment.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator presented information on the History of the Health Dept. and the services the department offers. Weber also presented information on a number of items that will need to be repaired at the Service Center.

Tracy Cooper, IKON Financial Services presented information on the Canon 3380i and C4080i copiers. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the lease purchase of a Canon Image Runner C4080i copier.

The Board recessed at 12:05 and resumed open session at 1:15 p.m.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Sherry Nelson, Solid Waste Secretary, Vickie Hall, Republic County Clerk, Linda Holl, Marvin Bergstrom and Frank Rytych, Republic County Commissioners, and Charlie Joy, Highway Administrator visited with the Board regarding the costs of hauling waste to Topeka and the benefits for recycling. Mills will send Republic

County a new inter-local agreement for the hauling of waste to Topeka with a new rate of \$52.00 per ton plus fuel.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Charter Resolution # 07-12 to increase the transient guest tax from 2% to 5%.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved changing the name of the Computer Dept. to the IT (Information Technology) Dept.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved a change in job title for Jerry Collins from Computer Tech to IT Tech with a salary increase of \$1.00 per hour from \$10.20 per hour to \$11.20 per hour.

The Board adjourned at 3:00 p.m. until Monday, February 12, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 12, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 12, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Judy Lambert, Deputy Register of Deeds; Barry Porter, Appraiser; Sheryl Williams, Treasurer; Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Todd Whitney, Extension Agent.

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton

Signed Department Payroll Checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented the annual Noxious Weed report for Board approval. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board accepted the report.

Asch reported that 18 signs were damaged during the past week. The cost to repair these signs will be \$343.15 for material and \$383.16 for labor and equipment for a total of \$726.31 or \$40.35 per sign.

Asch asked if a decision had been made concerning the raises he requested for the Office Clerk and Shop Clerk. The consensus of the Board was to leave the wages as they are.

The Board conducted their monthly department head meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Judy Lambert, Deputy Register of Deeds reported the annual reports have been sent to the State. Lambert stated her name has been submitted to the Governor to fill the position of Register of Deeds, due to the retirement of Terry Ferguson on March 1st.

Barry Porter, Appraiser reported value notices will be sent out within the next month.

Sheryl Williams, Treasurer reported delinquent personal property notices are being sent out.

Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director reported he will be taking sealed bids on one of the vehicles for his department.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he has been doing computer updates for several departments and discussed the new VISTA operating system.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director thanked Andy Asch and the Road and Bridge Dept. for helping clean the back building at the Recycling Center, which will allow them to be ready to pour concrete when weather allows.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are cutting trees.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported the alarm system has been installed at the Health Dept. and they are waiting until the weather warms before repairs are made to the boiler.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator reported on the "Go Red for Women" luncheon meeting to be held at the Holiday Inn on February 15th. Weber also stated the Health Dept will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary this year.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent reported Robin Eubank and Amanda Lott are the new Extension Agents in Republic County. Whitney discussed several meeting he will be attending.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are getting ready for the Primary Election to be held on February 27th.

The Department Head meeting ended at 10:50 a.m.

The Board resumed open session at 11:00 a.m.

The Board discussed an e-mail received from the District Sanitarian concerning a problem with a well permit.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as written.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2006-121 thru #2006-00125 totaling \$12,470.72.

Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director discussed JJA services.

The Board recessed at 12:00 noon.

At 1:30 p.m. the Board toured the dispatch center at the Concordia Police Dept.

The Board adjourned at 2:10 p.m. until Tuesday, February 20, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 20, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 20, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator.

Others attending were: Dave Tangeman, Phone Connections

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman sign the Audit Information Form.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented two personnel classification changes. The Board recognized the resignation of Robert Putman to be effective February 10, 2007.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change for Robert Letourneau from construction laborer to heavy equipment operator at \$11.60 per hour during the 6 month introductory period.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as written.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board moved to accept the proposed changes in the amount charged for copies, maps, faxes and research time. Charges will be as followed: Copies (black & white) \$.50 and \$1.00 (color), charges for maps will depend on the size; faxes \$1.00 per page; employee time for research \$10.00 (\$10.00 minimum over 15 minutes).

The Board reviewed a letter from W. Robert Alderson on Alderson, Alderson, Weiler, Conklin, Brughart & Crow LLC of Topeka regarding Cloud County's representative to the Mid-States Port Authority. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board decided to withdraw from membership in the Mid-States Port Authority.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 07-13 to cancel check # 104567 in the amount of \$195.00 and Resolution #07-14 to cancel check # 104580 in the amount of \$100.00

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2006-00126 thru 2006-00128 totaling \$347.86.

Commissioner Caspers gave a report on the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting he attended on February 16th. The Committee is planning to conduct an underage drinking campaign to coincide with area proms and graduation. The Committee will also be holding informational meetings for county employees on February 28th.

Dave Tangeman with Phone Connections discussed the Plexar renewal contract. Tangeman informed the Board that by renegotiating the contract, with AT&T, the estimated savings for one year would be approximately \$394.67 per month or \$4,736.04 per year. The Board asked Tangeman to get a final rate approval and request the contract for renewal of the Plexar system. No decision was made concerning the purchase of a new phone system, due to budget restraints at this time.

The Board recessed at 12:00 noon and at 1:00 p.m. will tour the Road and Bridge Dept. and view roads, bridges and rural county owned property, with Andy Asch, Highway Administrator.

The Board adjourned at 4:30 p.m. until Monday, February 26, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 26, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 26, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Member Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present. Commissioner Gary Caspers was absent.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Barry Porter, Co. Appraiser; Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Randy Sorell, Corrections Sgt.

Others attending were:

Signed department payroll checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the sale of the school house located at the Arion Rock Pit and the procedure for the sale of county owned property. The Board decided if the property is to be sold it should be sold as a 5 Acres tract.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a personnel classification sheet for the hire of Richard Kindel as a construction laborer at \$10.58 per hour, to be effective March 5. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

Barry Porter, Appraiser visited with the Board regarding land values and sales in Cloud County.

Kevine Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director was present for the bid openings on a 2002 Ford Windstar Van. Bids were received from Don Collins, Concordia in the amount of \$4,279.50 and Concordia Auto Mart, Inc. in the amount of \$3,300.00. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board accepted the high bid of \$4,279.50.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff and Randy Sorell, Corrections Sgt visited with the Board about the tasers his department has purchased and the training the officers have received.

Bergstrom requested the cost of boiler repairs at the Law Enforcement Center be paid out of the Special Building Fund. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the request.

Bergstrom discussed using Pharmacy Services for ordering prisoner medications. He reported that by using this service it would save approximately \$4,244. per year on pharmacy drugs for prisoners. The Board suggested they check with the local pharmacies to see if they could match the cost.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved an invoice to Ditch Diggers, Salina in the amount of \$56,315 for Rural Water District #1.

On motion by Commissioner, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2006-00129 thru 2006-00132 totaling \$418.02.

The Board recessed at 12:00 noon and will resume at 1:15 p.m. with a tour of the Transfer Station.

The Board adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MARCH 5, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 5, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Rob Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Tech.

Others attending were: Kara Champlin and Krystal Mosher, CHS Govt. Students; Dorothy Spear; William (Bill) Fok, Pictometry Visual Intelligence.

Signed Dept. expense checks.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds explained the fees that are collected by her office and the budget for the Register of Deeds Office. Lambert asked the Board to consider increasing the Register of Deed's salary to \$31,000 per year. The Board will take the request under advisement.

Lambert presented a classification change for Jana Roush from part-time Clerk in the Register of Deeds to Deputy Register of Deeds, with a 3 month introductory period at \$12.34 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested the sale by sealed bids of a five (5) Acre tract of land in the NE Corner of 9-7-4. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved selling, by sealed bids, approximately a five (5) Acre tract in the NE Corner of 9-7-4.

Walsh and Sheriff Larry Bergstrom discussed the procedure for surveillance.

Dorothy Spear visited with the Board about the County owned property in Arion Twp. Spear is interested in purchasing enough land to construct a pond damn. Andy Asch, Highway Administrator will check into this matter and Ms. Spear will bring a proposal to the Board.

Asch reported he will be attending the Annual Weed Conference in Topeka on Wednesday, March 7th. His department has been cutting trees and dragging roads. Asch reported his employees attended the seminar on "meth" held at CCC on February 28th.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director presented contract with Republic County for the hauling of waste. The Board did not sign the contract due to a misspelled name. Mills will present a corrected copy at a later date.

Mills requested a ten (10) minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into executive session at 10:04 a.m. and resumed open session at 10:14 a.m. Also included in the executive session was the County Clerk.

Mills asked permission create the position of Solid Waste Supervisor. The Board gave Mills permission to create the position and advertise the opening.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech discussed ID cards for county employees and the possibility of changing to Photo ID's. The Board approved using the Photo ID's beginning July 1, 2007.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Commissioner Crawford to a regular position on the Pawnee Mental Health Board.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2006-00133 thru 2006-00137, totaling \$354.92.

The Board acknowledged the receipt of \$1200 from the Ethanol Plant Steering Committee for the unused portion of the contribution that was made for the purpose of conducting the feasibility study for the ethanol plant.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting and also the minutes of the election canvass.

The Board signed a letter of congratulation to Gordon and May Morrison for being the recipient of the Grassland Conservation Award from the Kansas Bankers Association. They also signed a letter of congratulations to Curtis and Cindy Gilsdorf for being the recipient of the 2006 Wildlife Habitat Award from the Kansas Bankers Association.

William (Bill) Fox with Pictometry Visual Intelligence explained the services of his company and the difference between the traditional aerial photography and aerial pictometry.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m. until Monday, March 12, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MARCH 12, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 12, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Todd Whitney, Extension Agent.

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton; Barbara Henry, Tourism Director.

Signed Department Payroll Checks.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board signed a Proclamation designating March as National Nutrition Month in Cloud County.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-15 to cancel check # 105511 in the amount of \$446.25 and Resolution # 07-16 to cancel check # 53321 in the amount of \$657.67.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement #2006-00138 to #2006-00139 totaling \$33.76.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-17 for Cloud County to withdraw from the Mid-States Port Authority.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed a letter received from Cloud Ceramics concerning the closing of a portion of road at 190th Road and Fawn Road. The Board decided to proceed with the road closing process.

Asch reported Cloud County will be the host county for a gravel road workshop to be held on Wednesday, March 14th.

Asch informed the Board about the “Kansas One Call Safety Program” to be held on Wednesday, March 21st at 6:30 p.m. at the American Legion.

Commissioner Crawford reported a concern she had received about Quail Road.

Asch reported on the Annual Weed Conference he attended on Wednesday, March 7, 2007, in Topeka.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the JJA 2008 Grant Application and the County’s Employee Handbook.

Arlene Clayton discussed the language on petitions.

The Board conducted their monthly department head meeting, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director reported he has completed the JJA Grant.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they are computerizing old records in her office.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported on the Annual Weed Conference he attended last week.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported the unpaid personal property taxes have been sent to the Sheriff and they will be sending out 2nd half tax statements next week.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported value notices will be sent out the end of the month.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech presented information on the number of visits to the County’s website during the last year. Collins reported he will be doing photo ID’s for County employees, to be effective July 1st.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director reported they will start work on a new C/D pit soon. The Transfer Station will go to extended hours, starting this week, and will be open late on Wednesday nights. Mills reported they may be shipping 3 loads of recyclables this week.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff reported the Sheriff’s Department has purchased tasers and the training his employees have attended.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator reported the Public Health Grants are due this week.

Weber gave a report on the "Ladies Noon Out" to be held on April 11th, provided by Avon to promote Breast Cancer Awareness.

Weber reported since this is the 50th Anniversary of the Health Dept. they will highlighting one employee each month, as Employee of the Month. The Employee of the Month for March was Linda Mills.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent reported Pat Gerhardt is receiving training on installation of Child Safety Seats. The Extension Office will be conducting Tractor Safety Training next month.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are preparing for the City/School General Election to be held April 3rd and advance voting will start on Wednesday, March 14th.

The Board and the Department Heads discussed proposed changes to the Employee Handbook.

The Board resumed open session at 11:30 a.m.

Barbara Henry, Tourism Director reported that in 1994 Cloud County was named the Stained Glass Capital of Kansas and gave a report on some of the activities being held to promote Stain Glass Month in Cloud County. Henry reported they have a Stained Glass Gallery at the Museum Annex and are displaying Stain Glass pieces made by local artists. The Gallery will be open Tuesday thru Friday from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. and Saturday from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. through March 30th.

Henry asked if it would be possible to borrow the Stained Glass pieces that are displayed in the County Treasurers office for display in the Gallery. The Board gave their approval.

Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director present the 2008 Juvenile Justice Block Grant Application. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Grant Application.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator present the Public Health Grant Application totaling \$327,595. The requested amounts were: State Formula \$38,729; Chronic Disease Risk Rd. \$108,031; Family Planning \$56,049; AIDS Counseling & Testing \$3,845; Maternal & Child Health \$20,555; Child Care Licensing & Reg \$59,414; Immunization Action Plan \$40,972. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved having the Chairman sign the grant application.

The Board adjourned at 12:45 p.m., until March 19, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MARCH 19, 2007

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 19, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and County Clerk Linda Bogart present. Commissioner Johnita Crawford was absent.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director.

Others attending were: Rob Unruh, Ks. Dept of Wildlife & Parks; Arlene Clayton; Bob Gering, Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC).

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed the closing of the Rock Quarry.

Walsh requested a five (5) minute executive session to discuss possible acquisition of land. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a five (5) minute executive session at 9:20 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:25 a.m.

Commissioner Caspers requested a ten (10) minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a ten (10) minute executive session at 9:28 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:38 a.m. Also included in the session was County Attorney Walsh.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator and Rob Unruh, Ks. Dept. of Wildlife and Parks visited with the Board about the repair of a road South of Jamestown Lake. The approximate cost to the County would be approximately \$1,100. The Board approved the road repair.

Asch presented a Right Of Way agreement with Rural Water District #1 for a waterline across 145th Road at 1162 145th Road. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the request.

Asch reported Dorothy Spear asked him to thank the Board for considering her request concerning the sale of additional land at the Arion Rock Pit, but she has decided against continuing with the pond project.

Asch reported they will be publishing the General Notice for the Control of Noxious Weeds this week. Asch reported he will be attending a Pre-Construction Conference with Reece Construction, KDOT and Campbell & Johnson Engineers concerning Bridge Project 15-4113-01.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director presented corrected contracts with Republic County for signature. Mills reported he had met with members of the Cloud County Rural Fire District #4 concerning the building at the old landfill site. They will arrange a meeting with the Commissioners for a later date.

Arlene Clayton discussed a Letter to the Editor that appeared in Friday's Blade Empire and the recall petition that has been filed.

Commissioner Caspers reported on a Chemical Dependency Committee meeting he attended on Friday, March 16th. The Committee will be applying for a "Drug Free Community Grant."

On motion by Commissioner Casper, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved a Personnel Classification change for Troy Shepard, due to the end of his six (6) month introductory period, with a change in hourly rate from \$7.34 to \$8.16.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-18 to cancel check # 105700 in the amount of \$65.66.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the invoice to Ditch Diggers in the amount of \$30,601, to be paid from grant funds.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement #2006-00140 to #2006-00152 totaling \$1,050.94.

Bob Gering, Local Emergency Planning Commission reported the college requested someone be appointed to the LEPC Committee. The Board felt a representative from the both the College and the School Districts would be a good idea.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Notice of Road Vacation for Fawn Road between 190th Road and 200th Road, and set the Hearing date for April 2nd at 9:30 a.m. This is being done at the land owners request.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m. until Monday, March 26, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MARCH 26, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 26, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Barry Porter, County Appraiser.

Others attending were: Gary May, District Sanitarian

Signed Department Payroll Checks and reviewed Department Expense Vouchers.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney reported the legal publication for the sale of the 5A at the Arion Rock Pit was published and the date of the bid opening was set for April 23 at 9:30 a.m.

Walsh and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed the closing of the Rock Quarry and the possibility of suspending or revoking the Cereal Malt Beverage License. The Board suggested visiting with Jon Thurston and Rick Breault, Jr. before a decision is made.

Walsh, requested a five (5) minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a five (5) minute executive session at 9:30 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:35 a.m.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator requested a five (5) minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a five (5) minute executive session at 9:37 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:42 a.m. Also included in the session was Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Asch presented a petition from Mark Graham for a buried electrical line under Rock Road, approximately 1320' (1/4 mile) East of 240th Road. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the petition.

Asch reported the contractors will start work next Monday on Bridge Project 15-4113C-01 (South of Rice) with an expected completion date of sometime in June.

Asch discussed the storage of chemicals at the Road and Bridge Dept. and moving the Weed Dept. computer programs over the Road and Bridge computers.

Commissioner Caspers reported he and Commissioner Garrison attended the Kansas One Call meeting held on Wednesday night, March 21st, at the American Legion.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director presented a personnel classification change for Mike Hake from Laborer to Equipment Operator, due to the end of his six (6) month introductory period, to be effective April 1, 2007, with a change in hourly rate from \$10.00 to \$12.62 per hour. On motion from Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change.

Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections presented Resolutions for appointments to the 12th Judicial District Community Corrections/Juvenile Justice Authority Advisory Board as follows:

Resolution 07-19 to appoint Jenny Parker, Concordia SRS

Resolution 07-20 to appoint Alfonso Paredes, Pawnee Mental Health Services

Resolution 07-21 to appoint Danny Parker, Concordia Police Chief

Resolution 07-22 to appoint Marvin Bergstrom, County Commissioner, Republic County

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointments.

Barry Porter, Appraiser discussed the valuation of property and property sales in Cloud County.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented a monthly report on permits issues and possible problems he has found. May reported on an illegal lagoon system. The Board felt he should proceed with having the landowner correct the problem.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the March 19th meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Jackie Aytes, representing the Holiday Inn Express, to the Convention and Tourism Board.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement # 2006-00153 to 2006-00153 totaling \$116.96.

The Board will canvass votes on April 6th at 8:00 a.m.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
APRIL 2, 2007
UNOFFICIAL 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 2, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, Co. Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director.

Others attending were: Rick Breault, Jr.; Ben Retter, Cloud Ceramics; Rose Koerber; Crystal Warkentin; Marilyn Redmond; Holly Brown, Big Brothers Big Sisters; Carol Miller; Gayle

Whitley; Nicki Taylor-Morris; Members of the Peer to Peer Initiative Group with Pawnee Mental Health; Alex Puderbaugh and Jessica Trimble, CHS Government Students.

Signed department expense checks.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as corrected. (Regarding approval of minutes of the previous meeting-motion was made by Commissioner Caspers and seconded by Commissioner Crawford).

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, Co. Attorney and Rick Breault, Jr. visited with the Board about concerns received about the Rock Quarry. Walsh stated that because there was a violation of the liquor laws the Board shall either revoke or suspend the Cereal Malt Beverage License. The Board decided to table their decision until next week so they can gather more information before deciding on a course of action.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed a call from Bob Morris concerning tree removal.

The Board conducted a public hearing concerning the vacation of a portion of Fawn Road between 190th Road and 200th Road. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the vacation.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved having the Chairman sign a notice to the Lincoln Township Board for a Cereal Malt Beverage application from the Sons of the American Legion.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they are working with a Title Company from Marion County who has been contracted by Horizon Wind Energy to research property records in Cloud County.

Lambert visited with the Board about the Register of Deeds salary and asked if a decision had been made regarding the requested increase. The Board decided to wait until budget time and review the salaries of the department heads at that time.

Rose Koeber; Nicki Taylor-Morris; Carol Miller; Marilyn Redmond; Holly Brown; Gayle Whitley and Crystal Warkentin, Pawnee Mental Health; and student members of the Peer to Peer Initiative Group of Pawnee Mental Health presented a Proclamation to Designate April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the Proclamation.

Commissioner Garrison reported he attended the Regional Planning meeting on Thursday, March 29th. Thomas Gould with Kansas State University discussed the web site "eyeonKansas.org".

After consideration the Board changed the Employee Bereavement Leave from 3 days to 4 days.

Beginning at 11:00 a.m. the Board began conducting interviews for the position of Solid Waste Supervisor.

The Board recessed at 11:57 a.m. and resumed open session at 1:15 p.m.

At 1:15 p.m. the Board resume the interviews for the Solid Waste Supervisor position. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved offering the position of Solid Waste Supervisor to Justin Murdock, with an hourly rate of \$14.58 per hour, with a 6 month introductory period.

The Board will canvass the results of the City/School General Election on Friday, April 6th beginning at 8:00 a.m.

The Board adjourned at 4:25 p.m. until Monday, April 9, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
APRIL 9, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 9, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator.

Others attending were: Rick Breault, Jr.; Gary May, District Sanitarian; Gene Wilson, Phone Connections.

Signed department payroll checks.

After canvassing the results for the April 3rd City/School General election there was a tie vote for one position on the Glasco City Council. At 9:00 a.m. the Board drew lots to break the tie, drawing the name of Brandon Prochaska to fill the position of Glasco City Council Member.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed the Rock Quarry situation and whether to suspend or revoke the Cereal Malt Beverage License for Rick Breault, Jr. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote

the Board approved revoking the Cereal Malt Beverage License for Rick Breault, Jr. for a period of six (6) months.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented an Engineering Survey and Design Agreement with Cook, Flatt & Strobel Engineers, P.A. for bridge # 6314 located over west branch of Oak Creek (3.9 miles South and ½ mile East of Concordia), Project No. 15C-4412-01. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board moved to approve the Agreement.

Asch reported he has started working on the five (5) year Bridge Plan to the State, which is due May 15th.

Asch requested a 50 cent per hour raise for the Road and Bridge Shop Clerk and Office Clerk, since the Weed Dept. and Road and Bridge have combined. Board decided to take the request under advisement.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly Department Head meeting.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported that a recount of the Concordia City General election results has been requested. They are preparing for the Recall Election to be held on May 15th.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff reported that on April 17th 4 officers, from the Sheriff's Dept., will receive training on the use of the breathalyzer, and 2 officers will be going to the Law Enforcement Academy next month for training.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator reported the Breast Awareness Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, April 11, 2007. Weber reported she will be attending the Regional Emergency Preparedness meeting to be held in Beloit on Tuesday.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager thanked everyone for their support during their family tragedy.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director reported routine business and both the recycling center and the transfer station.

Jerry Collins, IT Technician reported the new server is up and running. Collins reported changes have been made to the County website (www.cloudcountyks.org) and asked the Department Heads to check their webpages to be sure the information is correct.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they are working with Horizon Wind Energy on their project in Cloud County.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he is working on the 5 year Bridge Plan to the State.

Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent reported they have 32 teams participating in Walk Kansas. Gerhardt will be working on Parenting Programs with Pawnee Mental Health.

Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director reported he is working on grants. The Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) grant will be used for surveillance.

The Department Head meeting ended at 10:40 a.m.

The Board resumed open session at 11:00 a.m.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director presented a personnel classification sheet for the hire of Justin Murdock as Solid Waste Supervisor, to be effective April 16, 2007, at \$14.58 per hour with a six (6) month introductory period. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

Mills reported he would like pursue a city wide recycling program, in the City of Concordia. He will be contacting the Boy Scouts to see if they would be interested in helping with the project.

Gary May, District Sanitarian asked the Board about a section of the County Sanitary Code and if they wanted him to permit livestock and irrigation wells, as well as private drinking water wells. The Board felt this should be presented to the Sanitary Code Committee before a decision is made.

May reported he has received a complaint concerning the discharge of sewage into a creek bed. The Board felt this complaint should be checked out and if there is a problem it should be corrected.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the April 2, 2007 meeting as presented.

Gene Wilson, Phone Connections presented the Plexar renewal contracts. The 5 year contract included a reduction in the charge per station, the charges for the DSL lines and the term volume discount on the trunk lines. The new rates, in the contract, will represent a savings of approximately \$5,400 per year.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the A T & T Custom Service Agreement for the Plexar System for a period of 60 months.

The Board signed the Notice of Revocation of the Cereal Malt Beverage License for the Rick Breault, Jr.

Kevin Riddle, JJA/ Community Corrections Director asked if the matching funds necessary, in the amount of \$380, for the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant could be taken from the General Fund.

The Board will canvass the results of the recount, of the Concordia City Commission votes, on Friday, April 13, 2007 at 8:00 a.m.

The Board recessed at 12:10 p.m. until Monday, April 16, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
APRIL 16, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 16, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and Deputy County Clerk Lisa Widen present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the Canvass of the April 3, 2007 City/School General Election held on Friday, April 6, 2007.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the April 9, 2007 meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the Canvass on April 11, 2007 Recount of the Concordia City Commission Election.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the Recommendation for Appointment of Steven E. Lindsey to the Nelson Township Board in the office of Treasurer.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement # 2006-00155 to 2006-00158 totaling \$108.00.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff reported on routine business.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed that he thought chemical sales would be picking up with the return of spring weather.

Asch also reported that he is looking into the purchasing of a different tractor to be used to pull a roller.

Commissioner Crawford reported to Asch that she received a phone call from George Stolzenburg about the road by his home needing gravel. Asch said he would look into it.

Asch asked if a decision had been made concerning the raises he requested for the Office Clerk and Shop Clerk. The consensus of the Board was to leave the wages as they are.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director introduced his new Solid Waste Supervisor - Justin Murdock to the Board with today being his first day on the job.

Mills reported they have changed ways of sorting at the Recycling Center to be able to receive a better price from buyers. Items like white office paper if gathered correctly could pay up to \$340 a ton.

Mills also said that at the Hutchinson conference he recently attended he met some different buyers that could give him more of an option to sell recycling product to.

Mills also discussed that he had been talking to Concordia Schools and that they are going to start recycling at the beginning of next school year.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator was in asking the County Commissioners about a Grant Application. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the signing of the application to the Duclos Foundation asking for grant money to buy new Halo SleepSack Swaddle Blankets to be distributed through the Healthy Start program. The SleepSacks were previously provided by the state but that funding has ended. The SleepSacks are for newborn infants to help against SIDS.

Commissioner Crawford reported on the JJA meeting she attended on April 11, 2007. Crawford said they approved the budget after great debate.

The Commissioners asked about the upcoming Recall Election to be held on May 15, 2007. They were concerned with the wording of the Question to make sure it was clear and to the point as to not to confuse the voter.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m. until Monday April 23, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
APRIL 23, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 23, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse

with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator.

Others attending were: Mike Tholstrup and Bill Ramsey, Rural Fire District #4; Eric Strait and Dustin Dooley, CHS Government Students.

Signed department payroll checks.

The Board opened the bids for the sale of the 5A tract of land located in the NE Corner of 9-7-4 (Arion Rock Pit). On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board accepted the bid of \$5,101.50 from Dorothy Spear.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported Mitchell County had notified him that Cloud County's share of the labor cost for the joint bridge replacement would be approximate \$7,000, with a total cost to Cloud County for the total bridge replacement would be approximately \$26,000.

Asch reported they hoped to have the hot-mix plant running next month.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Mike Tholstrup and Bill Ramsey, Rural Fire District #4 visited with the Board concerning the Fire District leasing the building at the old landfill site, to house a fire truck. After discussion it was decided the County will continue to carry the insurance on the building and maintain the road, provide snow removal and mowing at the site. The Fire District will provide insurance on the contents of the building, and pay for the materials, such as rock and gravel, for the road and pay the utility costs for the building. The Board will ask the County Attorney to prepare a continuing lease for signature by both parties.

Mills asked the Commissioners if they wanted him to have a booth at the Cloud County Fair, to promote recycling. It was the consensus of the Board that it would be a good idea to have a booth again this year.

Commissioner Caspers gave a report on the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting he attended on Friday, April 20th. The Committee will be conducting a "Underage Drinking Campaign" in May and a "Stamp Out Meth Campaign" in July.

Caspers, Andy Asch, Highway Administrator, Jim Bourne, Road Supervisor attended a meeting on Wednesday, April 18th, with Horizon Wind Energy to discuss county roads in the proposed Wind Farm Project.

Commissioner Crawford gave a report on the Juvenile Detention meeting she attended on April 18th in Junction City.

Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the 3 year Comprehensive Plan Amendment for Fiscal years 2008 and 2009 and the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Application. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the JABG application and the DOC Comprehensive Plan Amendment.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator present a grant application to the Children's Trust Fund in the amount of \$695 for sleep sacks. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the grant application.

Weber presented the authorization for the Home Health Agency to Operate and the Condition of Participation of the Home Health Agencies to allow Diana Gering and Diane McNichols to act as administrators/supervisors of the Cloud County Home Health Agency in the absence Cynthia Weber, Administrator. Both forms are required by Medicare. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board moved to adopt both authorization forms.

Weber reported the Home Health Audit will be conducted on May 8th.

Weber presented the list of Medicare/Medicaid write-offs, for Home Health, for the year ending December 31, 2006, in the amount of \$11,307.11. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board accepted the 2006 write-offs.

Weber presented the Board with information on the Memorandum of Agreement with Cloud County Community College for a mass dispensing sight. The Health Department will be closed on May 10th from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for the mass dispensing sight exercise, to be held at CCCC.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the April 16th meeting as written.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the application to the State for the draw down of funds for the Rural Water District #1 in the amount of \$27,848.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m., until Monday, April 30th.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
APRIL 30, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 30, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; LeaDawn Welsh, Clerk of District Court.

Others attending were: Dan McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board; John McClintock, CHS Government Student.

The Board reviewed department expense vouchers.

Dan McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board gave a report on recent legislation (HB 2208) concerning the Fair Board. The legislation would change the procedure for selecting persons to serve on the Fair Board. Members will be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners to serve three (3) year terms, with no limit on the number of terms served. The Bill was signed by the Governor.

McReynolds asked the Board to appoint Sherry Nelson, Jim Jackson, Scott Henderson and Jason Wheeler to the Fair Board. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved these appointments to the Fair Board.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney presented the deed, for Board signature, for the sale of the 5.7A tract of land which was sold by sealed bid last week. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the deed.

The Board discussed the problem of junk vehicles in Ames.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a Right of Way Use Permit with Rural Water District #1 to place a waterline along Sage Road from 60th Road to approximately 200' West. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the permit.

Asch reported he sent out bid specification sheets last week to Thompson Tires, Beloit; Kansasland Tire, Concordia; Commerical Tire, Salina; and Becker Tire, Salina. The bids need to be returned to the County Clerk's office by May 11th and will be opened on May 14th at 9:30 a.m.

Asch reported he will have the 5 year Bridge plan completed this week and will present it to the Board at next weeks meeting.

Commissioner Crawford reported she and Commissioner Garrison attended the Pawnee Mental Health Banquet last week.

Commissioner Caspers and Commissioner Garrison attended the CASA Awards Banquet on Friday, April 27th.

Commissioner Caspers and Commissioner Garrison attended Public Information meeting with Everton Energy on Wednesday, April 25th at City Hall.

Commissioner Crawford gave a report on the Homeland Security meeting she attended in Abilene on Tuesday, April 24th.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported there are 2 more businesses bringing their recyclables to the Recycling Center. Mills reported they have reserved a booth at the Cloud County Fair for a recycling display.

Mills reported they are ready to close the old Construction/Demolition Pit, at the Transfer Station, and will be able to start as soon as they hear from the Engineers.

LeaDawn Welsh, Clerk of the District Court visited with the Board concerning a voucher that was submitted.

Commissioner Crawford presented a Proclamation designating May as Mental Health month. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Proclamation.

Commissioner Garrison presented a Proclamation designating May as Motorcycle Awareness Month in Cloud County. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the Proclamation.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford the Board approved the minutes of the April 23rd meeting as presented.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MAY 7, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 7, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Donnie Kern, Undersheriff; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director

Others attending were: Emily Wilson, Occupational Performance Center; Julie Lindberg, Republic County Hospital; Tom Meek, John Forshee and Calvin Schultz, Kansas Crossroads R C&D; Ty Solt, CHS Government Student.

Signed department payroll and expense checks.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented a personnel classification change for Charles Matthews from custodian to Assistant Maintenance Manager at \$9.18 per hour, with a six (6) month introductory period. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and the Board conducted a conference call with Dennis Miller of KDOT Beautification Section regarding several problems in Cloud County. Walsh asked if KDOT could arrange to have an agent come, on a Monday, and accompany the Board to inspect some of the problem areas in the County. Miller will talk to the agent assigned to Cloud County and try to arrange the inspection, in the near future.

Miller, also, informed the Board that KDOT regulates the area up to 1000 ft. from any public road and if there is off premise advertising a permit needs to be obtained from KDOT.

Walsh visited with the Board about using diversion funds for the purchase of a copier for his office.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented the five (5) year plan. The projects to be included on the plan are 2007-Project 15C-4113-01 located .5 miles South and .8 miles West of Rice; 2008-Project 15-C-3919-01 located 2 miles South and 4.5 miles West of Concordia; 2009-Project 15-C-4253-01 located 3 miles South and 1.75 miles West of Ames; 2010-Project 15-C-4233-01 located 4 miles South and .75 miles East of Jamestown; 2012-Project 15-C-4412-01 located 3.9 miles South & .5 miles East of Concordia. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board moved to allow the Chairman to sign the 5 year Bridge plan.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director reported he met with the Engineers on Friday regarding the construction/demolition pit.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director gave a report on the weekend storm damage. Eubanks complimented the storm spotters for their good work, during the storm situations.

Julie Lindberg, Republic County Hospital and Emily Wilson, Occupational Performance Center presented information on "Physical Capacity Profile Testing System".

John Forshee, Calvin Schultz and Tom Meek with Kansas Crossroad RC & D Council presented and application, for Cloud County sponsorship, to be recognized as a Resource, Conservation and Development Area. Forshee gave an overview of several projects the Council is involved with. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved supporting the Crossroad RC&D in their efforts and having the Chairman sign the application, and to appoint John Forshee as the Cloud County Commission appointee to the RC&D Board.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff and Donnie Kearns, Undersheriff presented a personnel classification to hire Danielle Wilson as a part-time corrections officer at \$8.00 per hour, to be effective May 8, 2007. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as written.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2006-159 thru #2006-160 totaling \$96.00.

The Board returned a call to the Lincoln County Commissioners concerning the Inter-local Agreement for JJA and related matters.

The Board congratulated Clerk Bogart for completing the requirements and being recognized as a Certified County Clerk in the State of Kansas.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m. until May 14, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MAY 14, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 14, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent; LeaDawn Welsh, Clerk of District Court; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Jim Bourne, Road Supervisor.

Others attending were: Mike Tholstrup and Bill Ramsey, Rural Fire District #4; Elvin Horn, Glasco Mayor; Sharon Coy, Blade Empire; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Angel Kerr; Lynell Kallman

and Jim Kerr, Kerr Counseling; Eddie Splichal and Jodie Biesner, Central Kansas Foundation; Rex Istas.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney presented the lease with Rural Fire District #4 for lease of the building at the old landfill site. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the lease.

The Board gave Walsh permission to use diversion funds for the purchase of a copier, for the County Attorney's office.

Elvin Horn, Glasco Mayor visited with the Board about their conference call last week with Dennis Miller of the KDOT Beautification Dept., concerning problem areas in the County.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff requested a 5 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive session at 9:30 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:35 a.m. Also included in the session were the County Attorney and the County Clerk.

Jim Bourne, Road Supervisor reported the Road and Bridge Dept. is helping with the clean up of trees, after the storm near Miltonvale. Jerry Koster, who lives South and West of Miltonvale, expressed appreciation for the County's help in cleaning up after the storm that went through the Miltonvale area.

Tire Bids were received from Kansasland Tire, Concordia; Becker Tire, Salina and Thompson's OK Tire, Beloit. The Board gave the Highway Administrator permission to review the bids and accept the low bid for each type of tire.

The Board conducted their monthly department head meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent gave a report the Walk Kansas Celebration being held today, there were 32 teams in Cloud County. Gerhardt reported she is now certified to do car seat safety checks, and on Saturday, May 19th they will be doing safety checks at Babe Houser Motor Co. from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The Extension office is getting ready for the fair.

Lea Dawn Welsh, Clerk of the District Court reported Judge Steier is in Reno, Nevada for training, and the court system will be installing new computer software.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported the current deeds and current miscellaneous documents are now on the website, and they are beginning to scan the older documents.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported they have finished collecting 2nd half taxes and getting ready for distributions.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he is installing new computer software at the Sheriff's Dept. Collins has been doing enhancements to the website at www.cloudcountyks.org and has added the Register of Deeds early history articles to their webpage.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director reported they are waiting on the KDHE Engineer, so they can go ahead and close the Construction/Demolition pit and get ready to open a new pit.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff reported mostly routine business and discussed prisoner medical bills.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the mock trial that was held on May 4th, for Law Day, for the 4th Graders at Concordia Elementary School.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are getting ready for budgets.

The Commissioners and Department Heads discussed the revisions to the Employee Handbook. The Board asked the Department Heads to look the handbook over and report back, so the policy can be finalized and adopted.

The Department head meeting ended at 10:45 a.m.

The Board resumed open session at 11:00 a.m.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported on a problem with a couple of private haulers. Mills will contact Charlie Joy, Republic County Highway Administration about the situation. The Board felt that if the problems continue they may have to look at the possibility of implementing a fine system.

Burl Maley, Treasurer of the Cloud County Chemical Dependency Committee recognized Kerr Counseling and Central Kansas Foundation, for their contributions and commitment toward the education, intervention and prevention of drug and alcohol abuse in Cloud County. Commissioner Caspers presented the 2006 Pacesetter Awards to Jim Kerr of Kerr Counseling and Eddie Splichal of Central Kansas Foundation.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the May 7th meeting as presented.

The Board approved a Personnel Classification change for Jana Roush as Deputy Register of Deeds, due to completing her three (3) month introductory period, from \$12.34 per hour to \$13.71 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

Commissioner Garrison signed the Cereal Malt Beverage License for Jerry Fisher, Sons of the American Legion.

Commissioner Garrison reported the Commissioners attend the Kansas County Commissioners Association meeting held in Hutchinson, May 10th – 11th. The Association voted to donate

\$20,000 for Kiowa County employees who were victims of the recent storms, to help defray costs of benefits.

The Board adjourned at 12:40 p.m. until Monday May 21, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MAY 21, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 21, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff; Randy Sorell, Corrections Officer; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator.

Others attending were: Dustin Daniels, Martin Tractor; Bill Meyer, Olsson Associates; Arlene Bray, Gordon Morrison and Jim Odette, Cloud County Conservation District; Arlene Clayton; Carolee Miner and Patrick Wallerius, OCCK.

Signed department payroll checks.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a letter to be sent to the North Central Kansas Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging in support of the Older Kansas Employment Program.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Flo Winkler as a part-time corrections officer at the Sheriff's Dept., effective May 7, 2007.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as written.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on Friday, May 18th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attend the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Junction City, on Wednesday, May 16th.

Commissioner Garrison reported he attend the CloudCorp meeting on Tuesday, May 15th.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator introduced Dustin Daniels, the new Construction Sales & Product Support representative for Martin Tractor, for the Concordia Area.

Bill Meyer with Olsson Associates introduced himself and presented information on his engineering company and reported they would be opening a new office in Manhattan.

Asch reported to the Board on a meeting with Butch Johnson and Don Kling of Cloud Ceramics last week, concerning dust control on a road. It was agreed the county would scarify the road only and the full cost of treating the road, approximately \$6,278 for 1 mile of road, would be split the between Cloud Ceramics and Johnson.

Asch reported on a road issue near Glasco.

Asch reported he had reviewed the tire bids that were opened on May 14th. The bids were: Kansasland Tire \$9,283.12; Becker Tire \$1,309.53; Thompson OK Tire \$9,775.63.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor presented a letter that will be sent to all private haulers concerning fees to be imposed for hauling violations. The Board approved sending the letter to the haulers and having the County Attorney prepare a Resolution for Board signature to implement the fee schedule.

Mills and Murdock reported on a meeting they attended last week, in Rooks County, concerning E-Waste. It was reported Osborne County will be applying for a grant designating them as the regional collection site. Osborne County has asked for a letter of support, from Cloud County, for this project. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a letter in support of the regional E-waste collection point in Osborne County.

Mills reported Mike Selm, KDHE Project Engineer visited with him last week concerning the Construction/Demolition pit. Selm reported it may be possible to do a continuing pit and not completely close the pit. Mills will meet with Bucher, Willis & Ratliff, Engineers on Wednesday to discuss this.

Arlene Bray, Gordon Morrison, and Jim Odette with Cloud County Conservation District gave the Board a report on their current activities and presented their 2008 Budget appropriation request, in the amount of \$25,000. The group reported that due to legislation changes, whatever amount of money the District receives from the County, this year, will be matched by the State, up to a total of \$25,000. The Board will take the request under advisement when doing the County budget time.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kearm, Undersheriff; and Randy Sorell, Corrections Officer presented information on the Sheriff's Department and the problems concerned with hiring Road Officers and Corrections Officers.

The Board recessed at 12:05 p.m. to resume open session at 1:15 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 1:15 p.m.

Carolee Miner and Patrick Wallerius with OCK presented information and an overview of services provided and presented their 2008 Budget appropriation request of \$111,678, which is a 3% or \$3,253 increase over 2007. The Board will take the request under advisement when doing the County budget.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator gave a report on the "Point of Distribution" exercise held at Cloud County Community College on May 10th and provided information on the Medicare audit that was conducted on May 8th.

The Courthouse and County Offices will be closed on Monday May 28th in observance of Memorial Day.

The Board adjourned at 3:05 p.m. until Tuesday, May 29th.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MAY 29, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 29, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Others attending were: Stacey VandenBroder and Stan Plush, Cloud County Commission on Aging; Carol Miller, Cloud County Resource Council; Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Director; Steve Errebo, Terry Finch and Al Joe Wallace, Lincoln County Commissioners; Dawn Harlow, Lincoln County Clerk; Chuck Heidrick, Virgil Palen Mitchell County Commissioners; Chris Treaster, Mitchell County Clerk; Vickie Hall, Republic County Clerk; Frank Ryttyck and Marvin Bergstrom, Republic County Commissioners; Carla Waugh, Jewell County Clerk; Doyle Alcorn, Dwight Frost and Steve Greene, Jewell County Commissioners; Gene Helms, Alison Mueller and Marcia Funke, Washington County Commissioners; Lou Kern Washington County Clerk; and Wanda Backstrom, Chief Court Services Officer.

The Board reviewed department expense vouchers.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are checking on complaints received concerning thistles.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Pace Setter Award Luncheon held at the Pizza Hut on Wednesday, May 23rd.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Pawnee Mental Health meeting, in Clay Center, on Tuesday, May 22nd.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement #2006-00153 in the amount of \$638.48.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported they met with the engineers from Bucher, Willis & Ratliff concerning the closing of the Construction/Demolition pit. They were told that because of regulation changes the pit will not have to be closed and they are proceeding with plans to prepare it for use as a continuing pit. Mills reported they were told, by the engineers, that we need to have the old landfill site surveyed.

Stacey VandenBroder and Stan Plush, Cloud County Commission on Aging presented information on the services provided and presented their 2008 appropriation request, in the amount of 1mill. The Board will take the request under advisement at budget time.

Carol Miller, Community Resource Council visited with the Board about the Resource Center.

The Board recessed at 11:50 a.m. and will resumed open session at 1:30 p.m.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Director discussed the ethanol plant and asked the Board to send a letter of support, for this project, to the Concordia City Commission. The Board agreed to draft a letter for signature next Monday.

At 3:00 p.m. the Board met with Commissioners and County Clerks from Lincoln County, Republic County, Mitchell County, Jewell County and Washington County; Robert Walsh, Cloud County Attorney, Wanda Backstrom, Chief Court Services Officer; and Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director to discuss the Juvenile Justice program for the 12th Judicial District.

The Board adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JUNE 4, 2007
UNOFFICIAL 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 4, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor.

Others attending were: Carol Miller and Faith Nyswonger with CASA; Cathy Feriend, Nicki Taylor-Morris and Janet Lowell, Community Resource Council; Dana Brewer, Mary Dean Nelson and Lisa Guerra with Cloud County Historical Society; James Hedstrom, US Cellular.

Signed department payroll and expense checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the tax foreclosure sale that was to be held today. Walsh requested a 5 minute executive session to discuss the possible acquisition of property. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive session at 9:29 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:34 a.m. Also included in the session were Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator and County Clerk Bogart.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator as the county's authorized bidder on two (2) pieces of property at the Tax Foreclosure Sale.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are spraying Right of Ways and will start patching with hot-mix next week. The Road and Bridge department started their summer hours this week.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported routine business at the Transfer Station and the Recycling Center.

Carol Miller and Faith Nyswonger with CASA presented their 2008 Budget appropriation request in the amount of \$13,000. The Board will take the request under advisement at budget time.

Carol Miller, Cathy Feriend, Nicky Taylor-Morris and Janet Lowell, with the Community Resource Council presented information on the programs available through the Resource Center. The group asked about the possibility of receiving funding from the County. No decision was made concerning their request.

The Board signed a letter of support for the proposed ethanol plant, to be sent to the Concordia City Commission.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

The Board recessed at 11:50 a.m. and resumed open session at 1:15 p.m.

Dana Brewer, Mary Dean Nelson, Cloud County Historical Society and Lisa Guerra, Museum curator presented information on the exhibits being planned and the services available at the museum. The group presented their 2008 appropriation request, in the amount of \$40,000. The Board will take the request under advisement when doing the County budget.

James Hedstrom, U S Cellular presented information on his company and presented information concerning a cell phone plan he is proposing for Cloud County. The Board will study the proposal.

The Board toured the recycling center.

The Board adjourned at 3:45 p.m., until Monday June 11, 2007

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JUNE 11, 2007

Adjourned session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 11, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Sheryl Williams, Treasurer; Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Jerry Collins, IT Technician; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Todd Whitney, Extension Agent; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; LeaDawn Welsh, Clerk of District Court; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton; Robbin Waldner-Cole, Executive Director Pawnee Mental Health and Carol Chartier, Pawnee Mental Health Board Member; Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Director; John Forshee, Kansas Crossroads RC & D.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board Resolution #07-23 to cancel check # 106619 in the amount of \$26.93, due to the check being issued to the wrong vendor.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented the 2008 Weed Management Plan to be sent to the State. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Management Plan.

Asch reported they are spraying Right of Ways.

After discussion the Board agreed to share the cost of a survey for the 5A tract in Arion Township that was purchased by Dorothy Spear.

Arlene Clayton discussed various issues with the Board.

The Board conducted their monthly department head meeting at 10: 00 a.m.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported they have completed the distribution of second half taxes and are preparing the delinquent personal property notices. On Friday two people from her office will be attending a meeting in Salina, with the Department of Motor Vehicles, to discuss changes that will be implemented and new procedures.

Kevin Riddle, JJA/Community Corrections Director reported there is a new grant available and he will be preparing the grant application.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are getting ready to do hot-mix patching of the roads. They are completing clean-up from the high water and grading of roads.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported her office is working with Horizon Wind Energy for property located on the West side of 81 Hwy. They are still scanning old documents and the most current deeds are now on the County website.

Jerry Collins, IT Technician reported he attended the Infinetec Users Conference held in Topeka and he is currently taking employee photos for the new County ID cards.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported they have started the dirt work on the Construction/Demolition pit. He will be attending a Composting Conference on Wednesday and Thursday.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser discussed the new CAMA appraisal system that will be installed next year and they are working on GIS and maps on the website.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported they have been mowing and they have been working on the cooling systems at both the Health Dept. and Courthouse.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator reported she and Kay Berk, RN had attended the Family Planning Conference in Hutchinson. They will be conducting a Community Disease Tabletop on June 22nd. Weber will be attending the KALHD meeting next week and she is working on the History of the Health Dept. and will be preparing a power point presentation to be used during the 50th anniversary celebration.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff reported he will be advertising for deputies and corrections officers.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent reported the Cloud County Fair will be held July 17th thru 21st. They are conducting 4-H camp this week and Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent is conducting a baby-sitting clinic in Belleville today.

The Board and Department Heads discussed the revisions to the Employee Handbook.

The Department Head meeting ended at 11:00 a.m.

The Board resumed open session at 11:10 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor and Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director discussed the storm shelter at the Transfer Station. Murdock presented information on possible electrical work to be done, in the back building, at the Recycling Center. They gave a report on the dirt work being done on the Construction/Demolition pit. Murdock discussed using a GPS to record the information on the pit, per KDHE requirements.

Jerry Collins, IT Technician discussed the County website (www.cloudcountyks.org). The Historical Society has asked if they could put a link to their web page on the County's website. Collins asked about the possibility of loaning the Museum a digital camera to help with their inventory. Collins explained he is working on a disaster recovery plan, for backup of computer files, in case there is a storm or disaster.

Carol Chartier and Robbin Waldner-Cole, Pawnee Mental Health Executive Director explained the services and programs provided by Pawnee Mental Health. They presented their 2008 appropriation request, in the amount of \$73,948, this represents a 5% increase or \$3531 over the 2007 request. The Board will take the request under advisement.

The Board recessed at 12:10 p.m. and resumed open session at 1:30 p.m.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director presented information on CloudCorp activities and presented the 2008 Funding Request of \$45,000, which is the same amount requested in 2007. The Board will take the request under advisement.

John Forshee, Kansas Crossroads RC&D presented the 2008 appropriation request, in the amount of \$1,300 or an amount to be established by the Board. The Board will take the request under advisement.

LeaDawn Welsh, Clerk of the District Court presented information on the Security Assessment Report. Welsh requested a 20 minute executive session to discuss security of non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed in to a 20 minute executive session at 2:40 p.m. and resumed open session at 3:00 p.m. Also included in the session were Sheriff Larry Bergstrom and County Clerk Linda Bogart.

Welsh presented the 2008 Budget for the Cloud County District Court and the 2008 District wide budget.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director visited with the Board about various items concerning Emergency Preparedness and presented his 2008 budget.

The Board adjourned at 4:45 p.m., until Monday, June 18, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JUNE 18, 2007

Adjourned session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 18, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County Staff attending were: Vicki Kopsa, Paralegal County Attorney's Office; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff.

Others attending were: John Denney, County Auditor; James Hedstrom, US Cellular; Arlene Clayton; Susan Sutton, National Orphan Train Complex.

Signed department payroll checks.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the last meeting as presented.

Commissioner Caspers gave a report on the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting he attended on Friday, June 15, 2007. Topics discussed were the "Stamp Out Meth" campaign they will be conducting in July and the development of their web-site.

Vicki Kopsa, Paralegal presented deeds, for Board signature, for property purchased and acquired at the tax foreclosure sale.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they have completed the Dust Control project on the road by Butch Johnson's residence. Asch reported other routine business for the Road and Bridge and Weed Depts.

Asch and the Board conducted a conference call with Don Drickey, District Engineer, with Kansas Dept. of Transportation concerning lighting at the Noble Road and US Hwy 81 intersection.

Commissioner Garrison reported he has received several concerns about trees over the County Roads on Acorn Road and Camp Road. Asch will look into the matter.

John Denney, County Auditor visited with the Board concerning the County Audit they will be conducting this week.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator presented an update on grant awards. The total for 2008 will be: Chronic Disease Risk Reduction \$66,000; Family Planning \$23,802; AIDS Counseling/Testing Site \$788; Maternal & Child Health \$9,145; Child Care Licensing/Reg \$25,500 and Immunization Action Plan \$7,530; for a total of all grants to be received of \$139,933.

The Board recognized the retirement of Mary Lou Ninemire, Home Health Aide to be effective July 3, 2007.

James Hedstrom, US Cellular visited with the Board concerning the cell phone proposal that he presented earlier. The Board suggested he visit with the Department heads and get their feelings regarding the proposal and return next week with his findings, before a decision is made.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff and Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff presented the resignation of Randy Sorell, Corrections Officer, effective June 1, 2007 and Jamie Koch as part-time corrections officer, effective June 30, 2007. The Board acknowledged these resignations.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

The Board recessed at 12:00 noon and resumed open session at 1:15 p.m.

Susan Sutton, National Orphan Train Complex visited with the Board concerning upcoming events and the grand opening of the complex. Sutton presented an appropriation request in the amount of \$5,000 in support of the complex. The Board will take the request under advisement.

At 1:45 p.m. the Board conducted a study session to review Department Budget requests and other appropriation requests.

The Board adjourned at 4:35 p.m., until Monday June 25, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JUNE 25, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 25, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff.

Others attending were: Dan McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board; James Hedstrom, US Cellular; Lee Doyen, Susie Haver and Barbara Henry, Convention and Tourism Committee.

The Board reviewed department expense vouchers.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney presented a copy of the "Amended and Restated Development Agreement" with Horizon Wind Energy. The Board will review the agreement and schedule a time for public comments in a couple of weeks.

Walsh and the Board conducted a conference call with Dennis Miller with the Kansas Department of Transportation concerning several eyesores in the County. The Board, Dennis Miller, and Randy Brittan, also with KDOT, will inspect the problem areas next week.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a letter to be sent to KDOT concerning the installation of lighting at the intersection of Noble Road and US 81 Highway.

Asch reported they will be spraying Right of Ways.

Commissioner Crawford reported she has received a complaint concerning 260th Road South of Miltonvale. The Board asked Asch to look into this matter.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor presented a “revised” contract with Waste Management of Topeka. The revised contract was needed to correct overlapping dates in the contract, the error was found by the auditor during the yearly audit. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the “revised” contract.

Murdock reported they are ready to place the drain tube under the road to the Construction/Demolition pit. Once this is completed the road will be ready for surfacing, making it an all-weather road.

Murdock and Mills will be meeting with Cloud County Community College employees, this week, to set up a more extensive recycling program at the college.

Dan McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board gave an overview of future projects for the Cloud County Fairgrounds. McReynolds presented their 2008 appropriation request, in the amount of \$37,000 this is an increase of \$4,000. The Board will take the request under advisement.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the transfer of \$65,000 from the Road and Bridge Fund to the Special Machinery Fund, per the County audit.

The Board recessed at 11:25 a.m. and resumed open session at 1:15 p.m.

Commissioner Garrison was unable to attend the afternoon session and Commissioner Caspers was appointed Chairman pro-tem.

James Hedstrom, US Cellular reported he had visited with several of the department heads, as the Board asked, concerning the cell phone proposal he presented last week. The Board visited with Sheriff Bergstrom and Undersheriff Kern concerning the proposal. No decision was made, on the proposal, due to the absence of Commissioner Garrison.

Lee Doyen, Barbara Henry, and Susie Haver with the Tourism Committee discussed the plans for the Sampler Festival, to be held in Cloud County on May 3rd and 4th, 2008. The group also discussed the activities of the Tourism Committee and various ways of promoting Cloud County.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended a Juvenile Detention meeting, in Beloit, on Wednesday, June 20th. On Thursday, June 21st she attended a Committee meeting, with Commissioners from the 12th Judicial District, concerning Juvenile Justice and on Friday June 22nd she attended a Tabletop exercise at the Health Dept.

Commissioner Crawford and Commissioner Caspers attended a luncheon today for the official announcement, by Horizon Wind Energy, that the Cloud County Wind Farm Project will proceed this fall.

The Board adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JULY 2, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 2, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator.

Others attending were: Kevin Riddle; Guy Steier, Magistrate Judge; Gene Wilson, Phone Connections; Dennis Miller, Bill Simons, Randy Brittain, Kansas Dept. of Transportation; LeaDawn Welsh, Clerk of District Court; Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio; Bill Bunger, Mitchell County Commissioner; Kim Cudney, District Judge.

Signed Payroll and Expense Checks.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as written.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote to sign a letter of support, for the City of Concordia, for the Kansas Wireless Enhanced 911 Grant Application.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Homeland Security meeting and the Pawnee Mental Health meeting both on June 26th. On June 27th she attended a Retirement Dinner, in Manhattan, for a 20 year employee of Pawnee Mental Health.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he visited with Don Drickey of Kansas Dept. of Transportation concerning the lighting at Highway 81 and Noble Road intersection.

Asch reported he and Larry Shuler went in Wamego to look at a dozer. He informed the Board he had visited with several landowners concerning thistle problems and they will begin spraying for Johnson grass.

Commissioner Garrison reported a concern he received about 180th Road north of Hwy. 9. Asch will look into the matter.

Kevin Riddle discussed the JJA/Community Corrections Program and his termination, by the District Judge, as JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Guy Steier, Magistrate Judge, visited with the Board about the JJA/Community Corrections Program.

Gene Wilson, Phone Connections, discussed the monthly savings due to the renewal of the Plexar phone contract. The savings will be approximately \$424.80 per month or \$5,097.60 per year and during the five year life of the contract the total savings will be approximately \$25,488.

Arlene Clayton discussed the Bureau of Air and Radiation, and ethanol and water issues.

The Board recessed at 11:45 a.m. and resumed open session at 1:30 p.m.

Dennis Miller, Bill Simons and Randy Brittain with Kansas Department of Transportation visited with the Board and gave them background information concerning several eyesores in the County.

The Board, Miller, Simons, Brittain, Andy Asch and Larry Bergstrom toured the problem areas of the County.

LeaDawn Welsh, Clerk of the District Court visited with the Board about training for the District Coroner. Welsh suggested the training costs be split among the Counties in the District, like all other expenses for the district. The Board will take the request under advisement and make a decision at a later date.

Welsh presented the increase for Judicial mileage, to was effective July 1, 2007. Mileage will increase to 30.5 cents per mile for privately owned motorcycle; 47 cents per mile for privately owned automobile and \$1.07 per mile for privately owned airplane. The Board will decide next week whether or not to make the change effective for all other mileage paid by the County.

Kim Cudney, District Judge visited with the Board concerning the termination of Kevin Riddle as JJA/Community Corrections Director and the inter-local agreement. Judge Cudney stated she was not opposed to revamping the organization or the inter-local agreement. Cudney also suggested the possibility of having someone from the State meet with the County Commissioners of the Judicial District and the Advisory Board to explain program options.

Judge Cudney presented the appointment of Ellen Anderson as interim director, with additional Compensation of \$1,000 per month for a period of 60 days, which may be extended if needed.

Bill Bunger, Mitchell County Commissioner visited with the Board about the JJA/Community Corrections programs.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the new inter-local agreement, naming Cloud County as the Administrative County for the JJA/Community Corrections programs.

The Board adjourned at 6:35 p.m., until Monday July 9, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JULY 9, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 9, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Ellen Anderson, Interim JJA/Community Corrections Director;

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton; Larry Eubanks, Concordia Fire Chief; Bob Gering, Rural Fire District #4; James Hedstrom, US Cellular; Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Director; Jim Roberts, Mark Lawlor and Kyla McNabb, Horizon Wind Energy.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director, Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor, Robert Walsh, County Attorney, and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff visited about mixed loads being hauled to the transfer station and discussed the wording for a possible resolution concerning the implementation of fees for violations.

The group discussed the tour they conducted last week, with Kansas Department of Transportation employees, to view the eyesores in the county.

Andy Ash, Highway Administrator reported Reed Company of Wamego has brought a dozer for the Highway Dept. to try. They are still hot-mixing and patching of roads and they have started spraying for Johnson Grass.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as written.

The Board discussed the request made last week by Lea Dawn Welch, Clerk of the District for the allowance of travel and meeting expenses for Roger Warren, M.D. District Coroner. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved paying the training costs for the District Coroner up to a maximum of \$2000, to be apportioned District wide.

The Board conducted conference calls with the Commissioners from Jewell, Washington, Lincoln, Republic and Mitchell County to discuss JJA/Community Corrections and the inter-local agreement.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor presented information on the Recycling Center. Murdock reported that since the center opened they have received \$13,165.16 from the sale of recyclable items.

Mills asked about putting reminders in the County newspapers concerning the sorting of recyclables, listing items that can and cannot be recycled and asking for volunteer help at the recycling center. The Board felt this was a good idea.

Mills reported they will be presenting a recycling program at the Frank Carlson Library.

Arlene Clayton discussed sorghum flour and ethanol fires.

Larry Eubanks, Concordia Fire Chief and Bob Gering, Rural Fire District #4 reported they are working closely with Everton Energy and feel they are prepared in case of an incident would occur at the ethanol plant.

The Board recessed at 12:05 p.m. and will resume open session at 1:15 p.m.

James Hedstrom, US Cellular visited with the Board about the cell phone proposal. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved having the Chairman sign a two (2) year contract with US Cellular for cell phone service for Cloud County.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp; Jim Roberts, Mark Lawlor and Kylah McNabb with Horizon Wind Energy visited about the Wind Energy projects. The group presented a draft of a lease document with Cloud County and a draft amendment to the Development Agreement for Board review and explained the changes.

Ellen Anderson, Interim JJA/Community Corrections Director reported they will receive \$151,146 for the JJA/Graduated Sanctions Block Grant. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Agreement of Condition for the grant.

The Board reviewed department budgets.

The Board adjourned at 4:05 p.m., until Monday, July 16, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JULY 16, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 16, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Ellen Anderson, Interim JJA/Community Corrections Director; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor.

Others attending were: Gary Reynolds; Nicki Taylor-Morris, Executive Director Community Resource Council; Carol Miller Community Resource Council.

The Board signed department payroll checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney reported he has been contacted by an interested party about the possibility of re-opening of the Rock Quarry. Walsh has arranged a meeting with the interested party, Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff, and Danny Parker, Concordia Police Chief to discuss the matter.

Ellen Anderson, Interim JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the DOC Comprehensive Plan Amendments. Anderson also presented the DOC budget in the amount of \$94,674.06 and the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant, in the amount of \$3,737, which will be used for surveillance.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote to allow the Chairman to sign the Amendment to the DOC Comprehensive Plan, the JABG application and the DOC budget.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported they have received their permit renewals and they are ready to start work at the old landfill site to make it ready for use by the Rural Fire District.

Murdock reported they will have a recycling booth at the Cloud County Fair, this week, and they are working on a new flier, which will contain information on sorting recyclables. Murdock also reported the old Construction/Demolition pit has been capped and the new pit is in operation.

Gary Reynolds visited with the Board concerning a septic system he is installing.

Nicki Taylor-Morris and Carol Miller with the Community Resource Council presented an update on Council funding. They presented a 2008 appropriation request of an amount equal to ½ mill or 5% of the Counties sales tax receipts. The Board will take the request under advisement.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the July 9th meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2006-00163 through #2006-00172 totaling \$4,901.90.

Commissioner Caspers reported he and Commissioner Garrison attended the Health Dept. Advisory Board meeting on Thursday, July 12, 2007.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the JJA Advisory Board meeting held on Wednesday, July 11, 2007.

The Board acknowledged and approved the invoice to North Central Regional Planning in the amount of \$4,000 for the Rural Water District #1 Grant Project.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of John Cyr to the North Central Kansas Regional Solid Waste Management Planning Committee.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2007 North Central Kansas Solid Waste Management Plan.

The Board adjourned at 11:35 a.m. until Monday, July 23, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JULY 23, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, July 23, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers, and Johnita Crawford and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending was: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kearns, Undersheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Ellen Anderson, Interim JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Others attending were: Kathryn Carter; Ron Phillips and Gary May, District Sanitarians; James Hedstrom, U S Cellular; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp; Jim Roberts and Kylah McNabb, Horizon Wind Energy.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he has sent the Right of Way Use Permit to the State for the installation of a light at the intersection of Highway 81 and Noble Road.

Asch reported he has visited with Rolling Hills Electric Company regarding the monthly cost of a light. A 400 Watt overhead mercury vapor light would cost \$16.80 per month for maintenance and electricity and a 1000 Watt light would cost \$33.45 per month for maintenance and electricity. No decision will be made on the type of light that would be installed until the permit is received from the State.

Asch reported they are still patching road and spraying for Johnson Grass.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor presented a letter from Frank Carlson Library thanking them for presenting the program on recycling.

Murdock asked about temporarily changing the hours at the Recycling Center because of the extreme temperatures in the building. The new hours would be 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. beginning Tuesday, July 24 and continue through the end of August. The Board felt this would be advisable for safety reasons.

Ellen Anderson, Interim JJA/Community Corrections Director gave the Board background information on the Risk Reduction Grant and the procedure for applying for this grant. The deadline to apply for this grant is October 4th.

Anderson presented Resolution #07-24 appointing Frank Rytyck, Republic County Commissioners to the 12th Judicial District Juvenile Justice Advisory Board. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment.

The Board approved sending a letter to the Kansas Department of Commerce requesting an extension for the Cloud County Rural Water District #1 Grant Project. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved having the Chairman sign both the letter to Ks. Dept. of Commerce and the Amendment Request Form.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the elimination of the mileage payments to Commissioners for travel to and from regular Monday Commission meetings.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved increasing the mileage rate paid County employees to 47 cents per mile for privately owned automobile; 30.5 cents per mile for privately owned motorcycle and \$1.07 per mile for privately owned airplane.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the July 16th meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved sending notification to the Lincoln Township Board regarding an application for a Cereal Malt Beverage License, for the Rock Quarry, made by Travis Taylor.

Ron Phillips and Gary May, District Sanitarians visited with the Board about inquires they had received concerning the requirements for livestock waste material. Phillips reported they had referred the inquiries to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, since they only permit residential wells and septic systems.

May discussed several permit issues with the Board.

James Hedstrom, U S Cellular stopped by to ask if there have been any problems reported since the new cell phones were activated.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Homeland Security meeting in Beloit on July 17th and the Juvenile Detention meeting in Junction City on the 18th.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Chemical Dependency meeting on Friday, July 20th.

The Board recessed at 12:05 p.m. and resumed open session at 1:15 p.m.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp; Jim Roberts and Kylah McNabb presented information on Horizon Wind Energy, Cloud County Wind Farm LLC and the Meridian Way Wind Farm of Cloud County.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved having the Chairman sign the Wind Energy Lease Agreement and Grant of Easements and the Memorandum of Wind Energy Lease and Agreement. Cloud County Wind Farm LLC will lease 120.1A of land belonging to Cloud County at a rate of \$6.00 per acre, plus \$14.72 per acre from the land owner payment fund for a yearly compensation to Cloud County of approximately \$2,488.47.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioners Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Amended and Restated Development Agreement with Horizon Wind Energy.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff and Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff discussed various items with the Board.

The Board adjourned at 3:50 p.m. until Monday, July 30, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS

JULY 30, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 30, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; JoAnne Rice, Secretary for JJA/Community Corrections.

Others attending were: James Wahlmeier, Administrator Cloud County Health Center; Susan Retter, Chairman of Cloud County Health Center Board; Steve Womack, Cloud County Health Center Board Member; Toby Nosker and Taylor Kline, KNCK Radio.

The Board reviewed department expense vouchers and signed department payroll checks.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator presented a "Memorandum of Agreement for Child Care Licensing" for the counties of Cloud, Republic, Jewell, Mitchell, Osborne, Smith and Lincoln. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign each of the agreements.

Weber presented the Memorandum of Agreement with Republic County for the Family Planning Program. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Rural Lakes Region to refund the permit fees paid by Randal Holbrock.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported the Right of Way Use permit from the State of Kansas should be mailed to us today. The Board suggested he call Rolling Hills Electric when he receives the permit and have a 400 watt overhead mercury light installed at the intersection of Highway 81 and Noble Road. The monthly charge for the light will be taken from the County General Fund.

Commissioner Crawford reported she had received a call from Herman Koch regarding the corner at 270th Road and Oat Road. Asch will look into the matter.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the July 23rd meeting as presented.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Pawnee Mental Health meeting in Junction City on July 24th.

Commissioner Garrison reported he attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting in Beloit on Thursday, July 26th.

James Wahlmeier, Administrator of Cloud County Health Center, Susan Retter, Chairman of the Board and Steve Womack, Board Member presented information on the history of the Cloud County Health Center and presented information on the Health Care Survey.

The group requested a 15 minute executive session to discuss acquisition of property. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 15 minute executive session at 10:50 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:05 a.m. Also included in the session was the County Clerk.

The group requested a second 5 minute executive session to continue the discussion of acquisition of property. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive session at 11:06 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:11 a.m. Also included in the session was the County Clerk.

JoAnne Rice, Secretary in the JJA/Community Corrections office asked permission to install a bulletin board outside the JJA/Community Corrections Office. The Board suggested they hang the bulletin board inside the office rather than on the marble or brick work in the basement hall.

The Board acknowledged the receipt of the Advisory Recommendation from the Lincoln Township Board granting the Cereal Malt Beverage License to Travis Taylor for the Rock Quarry. Commissioner Garrison signed the license.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
AUGUST 6, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 6, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor.

Others attending were: Donald Dean, Campbell & Johnson Engineers; Arlene Clayton; Dr. Richard Underbakke, Cloud County Community College.

The signed department expense checks.

Donald Dean, Campbell & Johnson, Engineers discussed the annual bridge inspections with Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported Bridge Project 15C-4113-1 has been completed and the bridge is open.

Asch reported he has visited with Rolling Hills Electric and the light at the intersection of US Highway 81 and Noble Road will be installed the end of this week or early next week. Asch reported they are working to repair the water damage on County roads.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported they are ready to build fence at the West Site (the old landfill site) which will be used by the Rural Fire District.

They have installed the erosion control at the old Construction/Demolition pit. They will be adding another tube under the road to the pit, as per Engineers instructions.

Murdock presented an estimate of approximately \$6890 for doors and electrical work for the back building at the Recycling Center.

Murdock reported they had shipped a load each of clothes, mixed paper, cardboard and a partial load of plastic last week.

Arlene Clayton discussed the meeting between Cloud County Community College representatives and the Board members of the Salina Vo-Tech and facilities at the Vo-Tech.

Dr. Richard Underbakke, President of Cloud County Community College visited with the Board concerning the possible merger with the College and the Salina Vo-Tech.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

The Board recognized the resignation of Julie Sallman as a Road Officer for the Sheriff's Dept. effective August 1, 2007.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 07-25 to cancel check #107176 in the amount of \$340.00, due to the payment amount was doubled.

Commissioner Garrison reported he attended the CloudCorp meeting on Tuesday, July 31st.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the JJA meeting on Friday, August 3rd

The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon until Tuesday, August 7, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
AUGUST 13, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 13, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kern, Undersheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Pat Gerhart and Amanda Lott, Extension Agents; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Sherry Nelson, Secretary Transfer Station.

Others attending were: Pam Gordon, Susan Harrington, and Jackie O'Neil, North Central-Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging; Estalene Harrington, Concordia Senior Center.

Signed Department Payroll Checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney placed a call to Craig Ballou concerning an amended lease agreement for the Arion Rock Pit Property.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff requested a 5 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive session at 9:15 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:20 a.m. Also included in the session were the County Attorney, the County Clerk and Undersheriff Donnie Kern.

Bergstrom presented the results of a wage survey conducted by Austin-Peters, for the Sheriff's Dept. employees. The Board will review the survey.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are still repairing water damage from the recent storms and they are hauling hot-mix. In Weed Dept. matters Asch reported they are continuing to spray for Johnson Grass.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their regular monthly department head meeting.

Pat Gerhart, Extension Agent introduced Amanda Lott, Extension Agent from Republic County. Lott will be working in the Concordia office of the River Valley Extension District while Todd Whitney is attending classes at Kansas State University to finish his Masters Degree.

Gerhardt reported they are preparing for the State Fair and the Extension District will be offering money management classes which will be held Oct. 17, 24, November 7 and 14 in Concordia and parenting classes to be held in Washington County.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are still repairing water damage from the recent rain storms; patching roads and will start sealing roads in a couple of weeks.

Jerry Collins, IT Technician reported the Cloud County Historical Society now has a link on the County Website (www.cloudcountyks.org).

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported they are putting up a fence around the old landfill site, since the Rural Fire District will be using the building at the site.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported they have repaired the Air Conditioning System at the Health Dept and will be repairing the Courthouse Air Conditioning System in the future.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported the annual data collection is approximately 90% complete. Porter also reported that in a few weeks they will be adding Aerial Photos to the county website, with information available by Section, Township and Range.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator reported beginning September 4th clients will be required to make appointments to receive services at the Health Dept. On August 15th at 10:00 a.m. the Chamber of Commerce will conduct a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Health Dept. On August 31st the Health Dept. will celebrate their 50th Anniversary with an open house from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff reported Jesse Payeur and Kevin Diers graduated from the Law Enforcement Academy on Friday, August 10th.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they have been working on budgets and are scanning voter registration information into the new ELVIS program.

The department heads and the Board discussed the possibility of scheduling CPR classes for county employees. Sheriff Bergstrom offered to check into the cost of the classes and report back to the group next month.

The department head meeting ended at 10:40 a.m.

The Board and County Clerk discussed transferring old enumeration records and the County Clerk's copies of older tax rolls and various statistical reports to the Cloud County Historical Society. The Clerk will meet with the Museum Board on Thursday, August 16th to discuss this.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the August 6th meeting and the August 7th work session as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Planned Service Agreement with Comfort Controls in the amount of \$1,495 for services at the Health Dept. and \$1,785 for services at the Courthouse.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor and Sherry Nelson, Solid Waste Dept. Secretary presented the list of 2006 Unpaid Accounts totaling \$6,000. At 11:00 a.m. the Board conducted the Delinquent Solid Waste Hearing. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2006 Solid Waste Delinquent list and any amounts still unpaid as of 4:00 p.m. on August 13th be attached to the 2007 tax roll.

Murdock informed the Board that Martin Tractor will be demonstrating a 420 Backhoe at the Transfer Station on Thursday, August 16th, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and invited the Board to view the machine.

Pam Gordon, Suzanne Harrington, Jackie O'Neil with North Central-Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging and Estalene Harrington with the Concordia Senior Citizens Center gave the Board an overview of services provided by the North Central-Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging. Gordon asked the Board to consider a supplemental funding request. The Board will take the request under advisement.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a letter to the North Central-Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging for the Senior Care match for 2008 in the amount of \$3,881.

The Board adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
AUGUST 20, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 20, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Interim Director;

Others attending were: Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio; Gary May, District Sanitarian.

At 9:00 a.m. the Board conducted the 2008 Budget Hearing. Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff were the only persons in attendance. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 07-26, for financing the 2008 budget, and approved the 2008 Budget as published.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he has signed an agreement with Martin Tractor for the purchase of a 1992 E6 dozer for a price of \$75,000.

Asch reported they will begin sealing roads after Labor Day. The roads included in this years sealing plan will be 170th Road (old 81 Hwy) from the County line to Union Road; 190th Rd from Highway 9 to the River; and 280th Road (Agenda Road) from the County line to Union Road.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on Friday, August 17. The Committee has established a “Drug and Alcohol Hotline” which will be manned by volunteers 24 hours per day 7 days per week. The phone number for the hotline is 785-275-1822.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Juvenile Detention meeting on August 15th in Junction City. Crawford reported the Detention Center will be lowering the daily per diem rate, this starting possibly in September.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Convention and Tourism Committee meeting held on August 14th.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor presented information on the CAT 420 backhoe which Martin Tractor demonstrated Thursday, August 16th. Murdock will be sending out bid specifications and bid forms this week.

Murdock and the Board discussed entering the Recycling pickup in the Fall Fest Parade. The Board felt this would be a good idea.

Gary May, District Sanitarian discussed a variance that is needed for the absorption system permit at 1520 Country Club Drive. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board allowed a variance to allow a 30% reduction in the size of the absorption system.

May also discussed a variance that is needed for the absorption system permit at 2585 Rust Road. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a variance to locate an absorption system within 25’ of a stream and 5’ from outbuildings.

May asked the Board to consider implementing a requirement that all systems must be inspected anytime a property is sold or changes hands.

Ellen Anderson, Interim JJA/Community Corrections Director visited with the Board about a computer server that was previously sold to the District Court. Anderson reported the District

Court will no longer be using the server and requested permission for JJA/DOC to purchase the server back from the District Court. The Board gave Anderson permission to do this.

The Board has been invited to attend the interviews that will be held with candidates for the position on Concordia City Manager.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m., until Monday, August 27th.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
AUGUST 27, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 27, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator.

Others attending were: Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director; Wm. Blake Hendrix, P.E. with Everton Energy; Walter Morgan.

The Board reviewed department expense vouchers and signed department payroll checks.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director presented a grant proposal with Brake & Associates LLC for the development of a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the grant proposal from Brake and Associates, LLC.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a personnel classification change for Robert Letourneau, due to having completed the 6 month introductory period as a Heavy Equipment Operator. The change is to be effective August 19, 2007, with a change in wage from \$11.60 per hour to \$12.62 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

Asch reported the Road and Bridge Department would be returning to regular hours beginning Tuesday, September 4, 2007.

Asch reported the light is up at the intersection of US Hwy 81 and Noble Road. The Board suggested sending a letter to KDOT asking them to install a turning lane at the intersection.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director and Wm. Blake Hendrix, P.E. with Everton Energy presented an update on the progress of the ethanol plant project.

Walter Morgan stopped by and visited with the Board.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor visited with the Board about the recycling center and the increased volume of recyclables. The Board set up a study session for Tuesday, September 4, 2007 at 1:15 p.m. to discuss this further.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator presented an amendment to the contract with KDHE and Cloud County for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response contract. The amendment extends the dates of the contract from September 1, 2006 to November 30, 2007. Cloud County would receive \$5,675 in additional funds. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the amended contract.

Weber presented the Board with the Risk Communication Plan for Cloud County. Weber reminded the Board about the Health Dept. 50th Anniversary Open House to be held on Friday, August 31st from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the August 20th meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the hiring of Ashley Davis as a part-time office assistant for the County Clerk's office at \$6.00 per hour, effective August 23, 2007.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2006-173 thru #2006-175 totaling \$31.72.

At 11:20 the Board, County Clerk, Health Administrator and Maintenance Manager toured the Medical Building that was acquired at the tax foreclosure sale.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
SEPTEMBER 4, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 4, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the

Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers, and Johnita Crawford and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending was: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor.

Others attending were: Everett Palmer; Chelsey Davis and Sarah Swanson, CHS Government Students; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director.

The Board signed department expense checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Everett Palmer visited with the Board about property that was acquired by the County as the result of the tax foreclosure sale. Palmer is interested in purchasing the vacant lot at 604 W. 6th St., in the City of Concordia. Walsh reported that Kansas Statute allows for the sale of property, within six months of the date of the tax sale, for the amount of the delinquent taxes plus \$200. If the property is to be sold after the six month time frame the County would have to advertise and accept sealed bids for the sale.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator requested a 5 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive at 9:42 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:47 a.m. Also included in the session was the County Attorney.

Asch presented the draft of a letter to be sent to the Kansas Department of Transportation regarding the addition of a turning lane at US Hwy 81 and Noble Road.

Asch presented a Right of Way Use Permit for Larry Koch for a waterline from 2nd Street, in the City of Clyde, along Shell Road, crossing 275th Road to he residence at 1969 N 275th Road. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the permit.

Asch presented a letter from Arlene Clayton regarding 10th Road, north of Teal Road.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board nominated Commissioner Garrison as voting delegate to the KWORCC annual meeting, in Wichita, in November.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board nominated Commissioner Caspers as alternate delegate to the KWORCC annual meeting, in Wichita, in November.

The Board acknowledged the Reappointment of Ellen Anderson as Interim JJA/Community Corrections Director for an additional 30 days and may be extended if a permanent director has not yet been appointed.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 07-27 canceling check #107600 in the amount of \$75,829, due to the amount being incorrect.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-28 canceling check #107328, in the amount of \$13,775.18, due to the check being lost in the mail.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the August 27th meeting as presented.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director visited with the Board concerning expenditures from the Emergency Preparedness portion of the County budget.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the final payment to North Central Regional Planning for the Rural Water District #1 grant project.

Commissioner Caspers reported he will be attending the informational meeting on Wednesday, September 5th, at Cloud County Health Center.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended Homeland Security meetings on August 23rd in Lincoln and on August 28th in Beloit. On August 21st she attended the Pawnee Mental Health meeting in Manhattan.

Commissioner Garrison reported he attended the North Central Regional Planning meeting in Beloit on August 30th.

The Board recessed at 11:45 a.m. and resumed at 1:15 p.m. at the Recycling Center for a study session.

At 1:15 p.m. the Board and County Clerk met at the Recycling Center with Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor. Mills and Murdock discussed the process for sorting recyclables and the increased volume of recyclables being received at the center.

Murdock reported Brandon Snavely is working at the Recycling Center for his Senior Project and for On-the- Job Training and the Recycling Center is now back to regular hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 3:40 p.m. until Monday, September 10, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
SEPTEMBER 10, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 10, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Ellen Anderson, Interim JJA/Community Corrections Director; Sheryl Williams, Co. Treasurer; Jerry Collins, IT Technician; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Barry Porter, Appraiser; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator.

Others attending were: Brandon Snavelly, Jake Morrissette, and Spencer Reynolds, CHS Government Students; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director; Barbara Henry, Tourism Director; Dustin Daniels, Martin Tractor Co.; Adam Hoffman, Murphy Tractor.

Signed department payroll checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a letter to be sent to Randy West with KDOT and others regarding the possible installation of a turning lane at the intersection of US Hwy 81 and Noble Road. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the letter.

Asch reported they are close to completing the sealing projects and spraying for Johnson Grass.

Ellen Anderson, Interim JJA/Community Corrections Director visited with the Board concerning the use of leave time by one of her employees.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly department head meeting.

Sheryl Williams, Co. Treasurer reported they are printing 2006 delinquent real estate tax list and are getting ready to distribute taxes that have been collected.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they will be completing their sealing projects this week.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported Infinetec will be coming next week to do the RVI upgrade. Collins advised there is a new virus that is being sent in the form of e-cards and if one is received that does not have a senders name it should not be opened.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported they will be accepting bids for a new backhoe and they have the fence posts installed at the old landfill site getting ready for Rural FD # 4 to use the property.

Barry Porter, Co. Appraiser reported that they will be in pre-production of the new Orion Appraisal system in about 3 weeks. They will be converting data and have a chance for testing before they go into real time next year.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator reported they are now taking appointments at the Health Dept. Weber reported they will be scheduling flu shot clinics and the Health Fair will be held on Saturday, October 20th. Weber presented an article that appeared in the Topeka paper about the Cloud County Task Force and Health Dept. promoting a healthy alternative to the use of smokeless tobacco at the rodeo and mud races that were held during the Cloud County Fair.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff reported Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator presented a History of Health at the Lions Club meeting last week.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are getting ready to start on final valuations shortly and they have been cleaning the basement storeroom.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director reported they are working on the Risk Reduction Grant for DOC and they will be changing the way they deal with adult offenders.

The Department Head meeting ended at 10:20 a.m.

The Board resumed open session at 10:35 a.m.

ON motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Commissioner Garrison as voting delegate to the KAC annual convention.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board appointed Commissioner Caspers as 1st alternate KAC voting delegate at the annual convention and Commissioner Crawford as 2nd alternate KAC voting delegate.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the September 4, 2007 meeting as presented.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor and Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director suggested that due to an oversight and some options not being included on the specification sheets the Board should reject all bids received for the backhoe and new specification sheets be sent. The Board

agreed and bids received were returned unopened and new spec sheets and bid sheets will be mailed today.

The Board discussed the study session held last week at the recycling center. The Board suggested that due to the increased volume of recyclables Mills should possibly hire 2 part-time people for the recycling center.

Murdock discussed his visit with Bucher Willis & Ratliff and KDHE about the need for compaction testing of the Construction/Demolition pit. KDHE stated we will not have to do the test at this time.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director presented a grant application for the Emergency Management Planning Grant, in the amount of approximately \$2800 to \$3000, to be used to conduct the required NIMS Training classes. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the grant application.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon until Monday, September 17, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
SEPTEMBER 17, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 17, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Everett Palmer; Carol Miller, CASA Director; Jenny Parker, SRS; Deb Ohlde, North Central Regional Planning; Eric Johnson, Campbell and Johnson.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Everett Palmer visited with the Board about the property at 604 West 6th St. Mr. Palmer has decided to purchase the property from Cloud County. Walsh will draw up a contract for the sale of the property.

Carol Miller, CASA Director, Jenny Parker with SRS reported they will be applying for a grant from the National Children's Alliance to establish a Child Advocacy Center in Cloud County. Miller asked about the possibility of the County donating the use of space at the Service Center (Health Dept.) for their use. The Board agreed to allow the use of space at the Health Dept for the Center.

Walsh and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff visited with the Board about the problem of people dumping trash along county roads.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he has received prices for the paint for their striping projects. The price received from Paving Maintenance Supply (PMSI) of Wichita was \$10,788.45 and Sherwin Williams of Concordia was \$10,021.40. The Board agreed to purchase the supplies from Sherwin Williams.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the September 10th meeting as presented.

The Board considered a request from the Concordia Senior Center for supplemental funding in the amount of \$2,130. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the funding request.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported they are looking for another stock trailer. The City of Clyde has requested a trailer be placed in their city for the collection of cardboard.

Murdock reported they will be accepting applications for two (2) part-time positions, at the Recycling Center, until Friday, September 21st.

Murdock reported he will be a mentor for Brandon Snavelly for his Senior Project.

Murdock discussed the purchase of tank heaters to be used on the balers at the Recycling Center. He plans to purchase them from Continental Hydraulic of Salina for \$364 each.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a letter of authorization for Justin Murdock. This will allow Murdock to sign any documents necessary for the purchase of a backhoe for the Transfer Station.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved a Resolution to allow the delinquent Solid Waste fees to be added to the tax rolls.

At 10:45 a.m. the Board and Deb Ohlde, North Central Regional Planning Commission conducted the final performance hearing for the Rural Water District #1 grant. Ohlde explained the final paperwork to the Board and the Chairman signed the necessary paperwork for the completion of the grant.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager, Eric Johnson, Campell and Johnson, and Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator visited with the Board about the medical building. No action was taken.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m. until Monday, September 24, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
SEPTEMBER 24, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 24, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Ellen Anderson, Interim JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Others attending were: Everett Palmer; Kathryn Carter; Gary May, District Sanitarian; Carol Miller, CASA Director; Dustin Daniels, Martin Tractor Co; Adam Hoffman, Murphy Tractor.

The Board reviewed the monthly department expense vouchers and signed department payrolls.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney presented the "Order of Sale" and deed for the sale of property at 604 W. 6th St. to Everett Palmer. Mr. Palmer will have his attorney review the documents and contact Walsh if he wants to continue with the purchase.

Walsh presented the revised Cash Farm Lease with Craig Ballou for the Arion Rock Pit property. A revision was made in the term of the lease (September 1, 2007 to October 31, 2007) and in the amount of the lease payment, since a portion of the property has been sold. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved having the Chairman sign the revised lease.

The Board received a call from Bud Cowan, KCAMP Attorney, to discuss several personnel issues.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they have completed their sealing projects, both for the County and also the City of Miltonvale.

Asch reported the Road and Bridge Department will permanently change their hours to 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. year round, this will eliminate the changing of hours in the summer due to the heat.

Commissioner Crawford reported she had received a call from Larry Nobert concerning the cleaning of a ditch in the Ames area. Asch reported the ditch will be cleaned when the irrigation water in the ditch dries out.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Supervisor and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor were present for the bid openings for a backhoe, for the Transfer Station. Bids were received from Martin Tractor Company in the amount of \$63,769 and Murphy Tractor & Equipment in the amount of

\$58,949.00. The Board asked Mills and Murdock to review the bids and report back next week with a recommendation before a decision is made.

Murdock reported that Richard Loeffler has allowed the Recycling Center to use a 2 wheel trailer, which he owns. Murdock asked about mowing a lot north of the Recycling Center, which Loeffler owns, as payment for the use of the trailer. The Board approved this request.

Kathryn Carter and Ellen Anderson, Interim JJA/Community Corrections Director presented information on the Risk Reduction Grant Proposal. Carter asked the Board to sign the grant application and asked the Board for a letter of support which would be submitted with the grant. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the grant application and the Board to sign the letter of support.

Gary May, District Sanitarian visited with the Board concerning several issues. The Board asked May to gather more information and report back.

Carol Miller, CASA Director visited with the Board about the county's health insurance.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as corrected. (Paint prices for Sherwin Williams should have been \$10,788.45 and for Paving Maintenance \$ 10,621.40).

The Board approved a request by Parents as Teachers for a link on the County website at www.cloudcountyks.org.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved having the Chairman sign a Mutual Aid Agreement between Miltonvale Rural FD #3 and Ottawa County Rural FD #4.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Junction City, on September 19, 2007. The Detention Center may be lower the per diem rate charged from \$125 to \$115 per day.

Commissioner Caspers reported on the Chemical Dependency meeting he attended on September 21st.

Commissioner Crawford attended the Tourism Board meeting on September 11th.

Commissioner Garrison and Commissioner Crawford attended the Meridian Way Wind Farm Land Owners Dinner held on September 20th.

Kathryn Carter returned and visited about information received concerning a training session to be held November 27 – 29, in Topeka. Carter asked the Board to allow the addition of \$1200 to the Risk Reduction Grant to cover the cost of this training session. On motion by Commissioner

Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the addition of the training costs to the grant.

Larry Bergstrom visited with the Board about setting up a work session to discuss wages for the Sheriff's Dept. The Board set the work session for Tuesday, October 2nd at 9:30 a.m.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
OCTOBER 1, 2007
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 1, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Dustin Daniels, Martin Tractor Co.

The Board signed department expense checks.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a Utility Agreement with Rural Water District #1 for a buried waterline to be located approximately ½ mile South of Hwy 24 on 110th Road. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the utility agreement.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor and Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director reported they had reviewed the backhoe bids and recommended the purchase of a CAT 420E Loader/Backhoe from Martin Tractor. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the purchase from Martin Tractor and also the finance proposal from Merchants Capital of Minneapolis, Mn with an interest rate of 4.75% for 36 months, with 2 payments yearly of approximately \$11,546.74.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Darrell Kearn and Charles Metro as part-time employees at the Recycling Center, effective October 1, 2007, at \$8.00 per hour.

Murdock reported he and Larry Sulanka attended an e-waste seminar in Salina on Wednesday, September 29th and Murdock will be attending the C & D Landfill Operators Training Course in Wichita on November 6th – 8th.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney reported Everett Palmer has decided not to proceed with the purchase of the property at 604 W. 6th St. at this time.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-30 to cancel check # 107759 in the amount of \$24.23 recipient did not want to be paid for jury duty.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator discussed the Kansas Equipment Exchange and reported they may have a need for temporary storage space for the medical equipment they collect, which is waiting to be refurbished and distributed. The Board agreed to allow the use of space at the Health Dept. for this temporary storage.

Weber reported Cloud County Health Center would be offering Vascular Screening, for \$20, the week of October 15th at the Radiology Dept. at the hospital. The Health Fair will be held on Saturday, October 20th at the National Guard Armory from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Commissioner Garrison reported he attended the CloudCorp meeting on Tuesday, September 25th.

The work session scheduled for October 2nd with Sheriff Larry Bergstrom was cancelled and re-scheduled for Monday, October 8th at 1:30 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
OCTOBER 8, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 8, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; July Lambert, Register of Deeds; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff; Marge Higgins, Sheriff Dept. Secretary; LeaDawn Welch, Clerk of District Court.

Others attending were: Steve Richard; Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio.

Signed Department Payroll checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed various items.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he had sent letters of interest to seven consultants, last week, for Bridge Project 15-C-3919.

Commissioner Caspers asked Asch to check on a tree problem at Plum Road and 110th Road (1/2 mile West of Hwy 9 on Plum Road).

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 07-31 to cancel check #107552 in the amount of \$32.50, due to a double payment.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of Commissioner Garrison as KCAMP voting delegate and Commissioner Caspers as KCAMP alternate voting delegate to the KCAMP annual meeting in November.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly department head meeting.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator reported the Health Fair would be held Saturday, October 20th from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at the National Guard Armory. Weber stated the Cloud County Health Center would be offering Vascular Screening Test the week of October 15th and should be scheduled at the Radiology Department at the Hospital. The Health Dept. is in the process of scheduling flu shot clinics. County employees will be able to receive flu shots on October 22nd.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are in the process of scanning voter registration cards into the new voter registration system and they are getting ready to start on final valuations and set levies.

Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent reported they are teaching nutrition classes in the schools and are preparing for the 4H achievement program.

LeaDawn Welch, Clerk of District Court reported they have installed the new Juvenile Compliance program and will be going to the other 5 counties in the district to conduct their training. Welch attended the Court Security and Emergency Preparedness Training in Manhattan last week.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they are continuing the scanning and imaging of old documents into the system. Jana Rousch, Deputy Register of Deeds attended an informational meeting on the new ORION appraisal system last week, to learn how this will affect the Register of Deeds Office.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported they are finishing out the 2006 tax year and will be ready to run tax statements when the final valuations and levies are set.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they have completed their sealing and striping projects.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he has been doing updates and he will be attending a free seminar of the PKI (Public Key Infrastructure).

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported the Recycling Center had an entry in the Fall Fest Parade. Murdock reported he and Larry Sulanka attended a Recycling Conference in Salina. Murdock and Mills will be visiting the Elementary School to present programs on Recycling.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported they will be installing the new ORION Appraisal Program, to be used for testing, by the end of the month.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed security measures for the court system and the courthouse.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported the City has sealed the street and parking area North of the Courthouse and they will be doing the striping next week. The Road and Bridge Department will be bringing dirt to fill in around the Courthouse and will have the downspouts on the Courthouse extended.

The Department Head meeting ended at 10:35 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor and Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director presented a copy of a letter from KDHE listing the new requirements for our annual Solid Waste permit. Murdock reported the Recycling Center is ready to ship a load of cardboard and they will be visiting the Elementary School during the next two weeks to present programs on recycling. They have installed the storm water drain tube under the road to the Construction/Demolition Pit. Murdock reported the backhoe is here and they will be getting it ready to go.

Murdock and Dana Ringer will be attending a KDHE C/D Landfill Operators Training Course in Wichita, November 6th thru 8th.

Murdock asked permission to get estimates for an addition and repairs to the office at the Transfer Station.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the Statewide Performance Measures for DOC for Fiscal Years 2007, 2008 & 2009 and The Year End Outcomes for Fiscal Year 2007, 2008 and 2009. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner

Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign both the Year End Outcome Report and the Statewide Performance Measures.

The Board acknowledged the resignation for JoAnne Rice as Secretary for JJA/Community Corrections, effective September 28th.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Dawn Blazek and Secretary/Administrative Assistant for JJA/Community Corrections, effective October 5, 2007 at \$13.35 per hour.

The Board recessed at 12:00 noon and resumed open session at 1:00 p.m.

At 1:30 p.m. the Board conducted a work session with Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff concerning ways to recruit and retain officers.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved raising current deputy wages to \$13.64 per hour, to be effective the first day of the next payroll period. Deputies hired after October 8, 2007, who have not successfully completed the academy, will have a starting wage of \$13.64 per hour, will be paid a signing bonus of \$1,000, which will be paid at the end of the 1st year of employment. Deputies hired after October 8, 2007, who are certified and have successfully completed the academy will receive \$13.64 per hour plus a one time signing bonus of \$2500 to be paid at the end of the 1st year of employment.

The Board adjourned at 4:15 p.m. until Monday, October 15, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
OCTOBER 15, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, October 15, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers, and Johnita Crawford and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending was: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Diana Gering, RN/Assistant Health Administrator; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff; Marge Higgins, Sheriff Dept. Secretary; Jim Bourne and David Fisher, Road Supervisors.

Others attending were: Janet Lancaster, Blue Cross Blue Shield; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Michelle Hawkins, Al Jung and Don Ruthledge, Horizon Wind Energy.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign a letter to be sent to the Duclos Foundation for a grant for the Miltonvale Rural Fire District #3, in the amount of \$2,012.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the procedure for the disposal of the medical building, which was acquired at the tax foreclosure sale. Walsh also discussed a reported nuisance located within the county.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various routine items for the Weed Dept and Road and Bridge Dept.

Janet Lancaster, Blue Cross and Blue Shield Representative presented the 2008 Renewal for the county employee medical insurance. The total premium for each type of contract is: Employee (Single Contract) \$410.15; Employee/Children \$791.86; Employee/Spouse \$880.91; Employee/Dependent Coverage \$1,262.62. This is an approximate increase of 15% from the 2007 premiums. No decision was made concerning the renewal.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator and Diana Gering, RN/Assistant Health Administrator discussed budget and funding concerns for the Health Dept.

The Board recessed at 12:15 p.m. and resumed open session at 1:30 p.m.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Marge Higgins, Secretary; and Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff discussed several options for compensating the deputies for call out time and the possibility of rewriting some job descriptions for the Sheriff's Dept.

The Board requested a 20 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 20 minute executive session at 2:30 p.m. and resumed open session at 2:50 p.m. Included in the session were Sheriff Bergstrom and the County Clerk.

The Board requested a second 10 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a second executive session at 2:51 p.m. and resumed open session at 3:01 p.m. Included in the session were Sheriff Bergstrom and the County Clerk.

Michelle Hawkins, Al Jung, and Don Ruthledge, Horizon Wind Energy presented and reviewed the road plans for the Meridian Wind Farm Project in Cloud County. Ruthledge discussed the process for submitting the road designs and the repairs and improvements that will be made on 15.4 miles of county roads, to accommodate construction traffic during the project. Roads in the east phase of the project will be Iron Road from 140th Road (US Hwy 81) east to 200th Road for a total of 8.2 miles. Roads in the west phase of the project will be Hawk Road from 140th (US

Hwy 81) west to 100th Road; 1 mile North to Iron Road and west to 80th Road for a total of 7.2 miles.

The Board and Horizon personnel asked Asch, Jim Bourne and David Fisher to review the plans and they also suggested that Campbell & Johnson Engineers review the plans as well.

The Board discussed the Blue Cross Blue Shield renewal rates and options presented. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board moved to continue (renew) the employee medical insurance coverage with Blue Cross and Blue Shield for 2008 and continue with the same benefit coverage as in 2007 (Option 1 presented) with the employee continuing to pay 20% of the total premium and the county paying 80% of the total premium.

The Board adjourned at 4:40 p.m. until Monday, October 22, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
OCTOBER 22, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 22, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff; LeaDawn Welch, Clerk of District Court.

Others attending were: Jerry Burgess, AFLAC Representative; Gary May, District Sanitarian.

Signed department payroll checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the procedure to be followed for the sale of the medical building, and terms and conditions of the sale. Walsh presented Resolution # 07-32 stating the property is no longer required or cannot be used for public purposes, which is required to start the sale process. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-32 regarding the sale of the medical building in Lost Creek Hills Addition.

Walsh requested a 10 minute executive session for the discussion of non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 10 minute executive session at 9:09 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:19 a.m., also included in the session was Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various items with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the October 15th meeting as presented.

The Board reviewed a letter from District Judge Kim Cudney and acknowledged the appointment of Ellen Anderson as the new Director of JJA/Community Corrections.

Commissioner Caspers reported on the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting he attended on Friday, October 19, 2007.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director reported he would be scheduling the annual meeting of the Solid Waste Committee in the near future.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Mike Hake as Equipment Operator at the Recycling Center, to be effective October 26th.

Mills presented a classification change for Justin Murdock, due to the end of his 6 month introductory period. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the Employee Christmas Dinner, to be held on December 17th from 11:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Johnson presented an estimate, in the amount of \$549.00, from Greg Wiesner Construction for repairs to the downspouts on the Courthouse building. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the estimate of \$549. from Greg Wiesner Construction for the repairs.

Johnson, Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff and Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff discussed the emergency generator at the Law Enforcement Center.

Bergstrom presented classification sheets for the hire of Christopher Rupert and Anna LaBarge as part-time corrections officers, effective October 29, 2007. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hires.

Bergstrom discussed the inspection, conducted last week, of the Law Enforcement Center by the State Fire Marshall.

Jerry Burgess, AFLAC Representative visited with the Board about their renewal for their Section 125 election for 2008.

Gary May, District Sanitarian visited with the Board concerning permits within the County.

LeaDawn Welch, Clerk of District Court discussed the procedure for the appointment of Deputy District Coroners. Welch reported Dr. Roger Warren, District Coroner had attended the Medicolegal Death Investigator Training Course in St. Louis, held October 1 – 5, with the cost of the training to be apportioned among the Counties of the Judicial District.

Welch discussed the Full Court computer system and on-line access to court information that will be installed in January 2008.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor and Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director discussed information received from KDHE concerning a grant being offered by the Coca Cola Company. This grant will allow counties, who are awarded the grant, to receive recycling bins at no cost. The Board felt the County should apply for this grant.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m. until Monday, October 29, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
OCTOBER 29, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 29, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Shella Thoman, County Bookkeeper.

Others attending were: Elaine Bowers, State Representative; Leland Tice, KDOT Area Engineer; Kristy Rizek, KDOT; David Greiser, KDOT; Ron Elniff; Toby Nosker and Taylor Kline, KNCK; Dustin Daniels, Martin Tractor Co.

The Board reviewed department expense vouchers.

Kristy Rizek, KDOT presented information on a traffic study that was conducted at the intersection of US 81 and Noble Road. According to the information and statistics collected KDOT felt a turning lane could not be installed using State Funds. The Board conducted a discussion, with the group in attendance, regarding alternative safety measures (such as road markings and signage) that could possibly be done to improve the safety at the intersection.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor presented an updated list of members of the Solid Waste Committee for 2007. Appointed to the Committee were: Johnny Adams; Kevin Bergstrom; Darrell Hosie; John Puckett; Sherry Nelson; Roy Reif;

Barbara Henry; Gary Champlin; Cynthia Weber; Richard Mills; Martin Molter; Justin Murdock; Randy Smith; Commissioner Caspers; Commissioner Garrison; and Commissioner Crawford. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointments to the Solid Waste Committee.

Murdock and the Board set December 5th, at 7:00 p.m., as a tentative date and time for the annual Solid Waste Committee meeting, as required by KDHE.

Murdock reported the grant application, for recycling bins, has been submitted to KDHE and they have painted the office building at the Recycling Center.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented information for the consultant selection for Bridge Project 15-C-3919-01. The Board, Asch and County Clerk served as the selection and negotiating committee. Construction and Engineering responses were received from: Bucher, Willis & Ratliff; Campbell & Johnson Engineers; Cook, Flatt & Strobel; KAW Valley; Kirkham Michael; and Schwab Eaton. Campbell and Johnson Engineers were selected as consultants for the project.

Janet Lowell, Central National Bank presented information about direct deposit of employee payroll checks. The Board asked Lowell to return on November 13th to present the information at their monthly department head meeting.

Jerry Collin, IT Tech reported the VFW and American Legion now have websites and would like to have links on the County website (www.cloudcountyks.org). Collins also reported on an e-mail he received from a lady in Holland. She has put a link to the Cloud County web-site on her web page.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff presented a classification change for Ruth Merrill from correction officer to Corrections Sergeant, on a temporary basis, to be effective October 28th, with a change in wage from 12.21 per hour to 12.69 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the temporary change.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the October 22 meeting as corrected. (Should have read Resolution #07-32 stating the property is no longer required or cannot be used for public purposes by Cloud County).

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Pawnee Mental Health meeting on October 23rd in Clay Center and the JJA Advisory Board meeting on October 24th.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
NOVEMBER 5, 2007

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 5, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Sheryl William, County Treasurer; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator.

Others attending were: Don Menard, Cloud County Representative to the Silver Haired Legislature; James Wahlmeier, Susan Retter, and Patricia Moyer, Cloud County Health Center; Toby Nosker, KNCK.

Signed department Payroll and expense checks.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer visited with the Board about the taxes on the properties that were sold on the tax foreclosure sale.

The Board received a call from Steve Samuelson with the Kansas Department of Agriculture concerning the flood insurance program. At the time the program was implemented Cloud County was included in the emergency phase of the flood insurance program, which allowed the property owner to purchase insurance up to a maximum of \$35,000. Samuelson felt that after being in the program for more than 1 year Cloud County should be included in the regular phase of the program, which would allow property owners to purchase insurance up to a maximum of \$250,000. Samuelson requested the Board send a letter requesting the change be made to include Cloud County in the Regular Phase of the Flood Insurance program.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Jessica Beck as part-time corrections officer to be effective November 12, 2007.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director reported they had received a call stating they will receive DOC SB 14 Risk Reduction Grant in the amount of \$69,384.01.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they have completed their spraying for the year and are selling chemicals. Asch reported his department has completed their review of the blueprints for road improvements that were presented by Horizon Wind Energy and they will be meeting with Horizon personnel in the near future.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor presented the only estimate received for an addition and repairs to the office at the Transfer Station. The

estimate was received from Loeffler, Inc. of Jamestown in the amount of \$43,314.21. On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the estimate and proceeding with the addition and repairs.

Murdock presented a personnel classification for the hire of David Walker as a fulltime equipment operator at the Recycling Center, to be effective November 5, 2007, at a wage of \$11.36 per hour for a 6 month introductory period. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff presented information on an upgrade for the generator at the Law Enforcement Center. The Board suggested they contact Sherry Angell regarding the availability of grant funds, thru Homeland Security, for this type of upgrade.

Don Menard, Cloud County Representative to the Silver Haired Legislature gave a summary of the Silver Haired Legislature that was held in Topeka on October 1 – 3, 2007. Menard reported the Board of Silver Haired Legislature has asked its county representatives to seek funds to help offset the costs of the sessions, for 2007 would be approximately \$300 per county.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator and Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported Youthville has requested additional office space. The space requested, in the basement of the Health Dept. building, is approximately 158.4 square feet, at a cost of \$7.50 per square foot, for a total of \$99.00 per month, plus 1% of the utilities. The Board asked Weber to contact the County Attorney concerning a lease agreement for the space.

The Board acknowledged the termination of Marleen Parker, effective November 9, 2007.

James Wahlmeier, Susan Retter and Patricia Moyer with Cloud County Health Center presented results of a feasibility study that was conducted to evaluate the existing hospital facility. Moyer also presented a strategic plan for the future.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

The Board approved signing a letter to the Juvenile Justice Authority acknowledging the appointment of Ellen Anderson as the new Director of the 12th Judicial District Community Corrections/Juvenile Justice Authority.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the management representation letter to Pierce, Faris & Co. Chartered for the 2006 County Audit.

The Courthouse and County offices will be closed on Monday, November 12th in observance of Veteran's Day.

The Board adjourned at 12:42 p.m., until Tuesday, November 13, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
NOVEMBER 13, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 13, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Jerry Collins, IT Technician; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator

Others attending were: Janet Lowell, Central National Bank.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-33 cancelling check # 108163 in the amount of \$254.00, due to the check being issued to the wrong vendor.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 07-34 allowing for the abatement of a portion of real property taxes on property sold at Judicial Tax Foreclosure, totaling \$2,763.56 and Resolution #07-35 allowing for the abatement of special assessments on property sold at the Judicial Tax Foreclosure sale, totaling \$928.41.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 07-36 Ordering Preparation for a Tax Foreclosure Sale.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board accepted the bid from Larry Doyen for meals for the Employee Christmas Dinner at \$6.75 per person. Doyen's bid was the only bid received.

The Board opened bids for the sale of the Lost Creek Medical Building. The only bid received was from Casselrock Inc., John Hood Coordinator, in the amount of \$1,218. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board accepted the bid.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a 5 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into an executive session at 9:27 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:32 a.m. Also included in the session was Sheriff Larry Bergstrom.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented Resolution #07-37 establishing the maximum speed limit at 45 miles per hour beginning at the NW Corner of 2-6-3 thence east to the NE

Corner of 1-6-3 (Rock Road between 160th and 180th Road). Asch also presented Resolution # 07-38 establishing the maximum speed limit at 45 miles per hour beginning at the SE Corner of 36-5-3 thence north on 180th Road to Highway No. 9 (Rock Road North to Hwy 9 on 180th Road). On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved both Resolutions.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly department head meeting. Janet Lowell with Central National Bank presented information and answered questions concerning direct deposit of employee payroll checks. The department heads will present the information to their employees.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported Everton Energy is checking land records and the High School classes have been visiting her office to find out the requirements for buying real estate.

Sheryl William, County Treasurer reported tax statements have been mailed and they are starting to collect taxes.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are continuing to work on road projects.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney reported that he, Joe Allen, Wanda Backstrom, and Larry Bergstrom will be presenting a program to students at Clifton-Clyde HS, grades 7 – 12, next week. They will be discussing the various laws and the court system.

Jerry Collins, IT Technician reported he attended a PKI Seminar, in Topeka, presented by the Secretary of States office. Collins discussed the new e-notary system.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported he and Dana Ringer attended the Construction/Demolition Landfill training in Wichita November 6 – 8.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported they are continuing routine maintenance projects.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator reported the Health Fair was a success and they have finished conducting the Flu Shot Clinics and to date they have given over 1000 shots. However, flu shots are still available at the Health Dept. Weber reported November 15th is the Great American Smoke Out.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff reported his department has been contacted by both Everton Energy and Horizon Wind Energy concerning security and increased patrolling by the Sheriff's Dept. during their construction.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they have presented classes to the High School Government students regarding voter registration and elections. Bogart also presented information on new Employee History forms that will be used to collect information for employee personnel files and on updates made to the Personnel Classifications Forms.

The Board resumed open session at 11:08 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor presented a letter from Osborne County Commissioners concerning the Solomon E-Waste Coalition meeting to be held on December 4, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Garrison will go to this meeting with Murdock and Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director.

Murdock reported the contractor will begin work on the addition and repairs at the Transfer Station in a couple of weeks.

Murdock stated they should hear this week if we received the grant from the National Recycling Coalition/KDHE/Coca Cola Co. for recycling bins.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved a letter to the Kansas Dept. of Agriculture asking that Cloud County be converted from the emergency phase of the National Flood Insurance Program to the regular phase of the program.

Commissioner Crawford reported she spoke to the High School Government classes on Thursday, November 8th.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the November 5th meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2007-00001 totaling \$1,709.67 and Added Tax #2007-00024 totaling \$612.66.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator presented a lease agreement with Methodist Youthville for the lease of additional office space at the Health Dept. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the lease agreement for the additional office space with a monthly lease amount of \$99 per month (based on the square footage leased) plus 1% of the utilities.

Weber presented information on the upgrades Early Head Start has made to the area they lease on the upper floor of the Health Dept. building.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a grant request to the Cloud County Children's Trust for \$2,000. Grant funds would be used to provide funding for the Cloud County TASK Force for training for high school aged youth in Cloud County.

The Board discussed the closing of County offices for the Christmas holiday. The Board decided to close County offices at noon on Christmas Eve, December 24th.

The Board visited with Sheriff Larry Bergstrom regarding a committee that is being formed to evaluate the Sheriff Department's wages and procedures. Members of the committee will be

Steve Richard, Rita Dondlinger, Steve Womack, Brad Berk, Linda Blanken, Trish Duncan and Robert Walsh.

The Commissioners will not meet on Monday, November 19th since all the Commissioners will be attending the Kansas Association of Counties annual meeting in Wichita, November 18 – 20.

The Board adjourned at 12:20 p.m. until Monday, November 26, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
NOVEMBER 26, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 26, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kearns, Undersheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor.

Others attending were: Gary May, District Sanitarian; Barbara Henry, Tourism Director; Karl Jacobson; Toby Nosker, KNCK.

The Board reviewed department expense vouchers.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Karl Jacobson discussed the cash farm lease for the Transfer Station property. Mr. Jacobson was farming the property in partnership with Joe Melhus and would like to continue the lease. The Board tabled the matter until next week.

Walsh and Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff gave a report on their visit last week with the Clyde H.S. Students, Grades 7-12, concerning the law and their rights.

Barbara Henry, Tourism Director visited with the Board concerning her employment status, whether she is considered a county employee or not. The Board will research this matter further.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented Resolution # 07-39 for the Removal of Weight Limit Sign on Bridge #5234, located between sections 32-5-2 and 5-6-2, the bridge spans Plum Creek. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the Resolution.

Asch presented Resolution # 07-40 for the Weight Limit change for Bridge #5231, located between sections 27-5-2 and 28-5-2, the bridge spans Salt Creek. The resolution would lower

the weight limit to 3 tons for all classes of vehicles from the previous 5 to 10 tons for all classes of vehicles. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the change in weight limit.

Commissioner Caspers reported on a complaint he had received concerning the 5 corners area.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Supervisor and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported Cloud County did not receive the grant for the recycling bins from the National Recycling Coalition.

Murdock discussed the meeting they will attend in Osborne on December 4th to discuss e-waste and the Solid Waste Committee meeting to be held on December 5th.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Correction Director presented Resolution # 07-41 for appointments to the JJA Advisory Board for the term July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009. Appointees are: Larry Bergstrom, Cloud County Sheriff; Shawn Brandmahl, NCK Regional Detention Center; Craig Cousland, Beloit City Council; Gary Frint, Belleville Chief of Police; Frank Gent, Beloit Chief of Police; Brian Grace, Lincoln County Magistrate Judge; Gene Helms, Washington County Commissioner; Bev Mortimer, USD # 333 Superintendent; Jennifer O'Hare, Lincoln County Attorney; Mark Rothfuss, Outpatient Therapist; Denis Shumate, General Public Representative; Guy Steier, Cloud County Magistrate Judge; Robert Walsh, Cloud County Attorney. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointments.

Anderson presented a classification change for Dawn Blazek, Secretary/Administrative Assistant, to change the hourly rate from \$13.35 per hour to \$14.45 per hour due to receiving the SB14 Risk Reduction Grant and because of additional responsibilities for monitoring the grant and assisting with future grant writing and budget preparation. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change with the stipulation that if the grant funding is not available the hourly wage will be reduced.

Anderson reported they have hired Randy Sorell as Fulltime Resource/Surveillance officer, effective November 26, 2007.

Gary May, District Sanitarian reported since his last visit with the Board he has written 1 new permit and closed 1 permit. May also discussed several permit issues with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved having the Chairman sign a letter of support to the North Central-Flint Hills Agency on Aging for application for funds from the Older Workers Outreach Program.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the November 13th meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2007-00025 through #2007-00035 totaling \$437.78.

Commissioner Crawford and Ellen Anderson, JJA Director will be attending a conference in Topeka, November 26 – 28 regarding the Community Corrections SB 14 Risk Reduction Grant.

The Board adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
DECEMBER 3, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 3, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor; LeaDawn Welch, Clerk of District Court; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Others attending were: Karl Jacobson; Beau Backstrom, Nathan Trost, Isaac Rothfuss, Ethan McKee, Daniel Grant and Trask Breault, CHS Government Students.

The Board signed department payroll and expense checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Karl Jacobson visited with the Board concerning the Cash Farm Lease for the Transfer Station Property. The Board and Jacobson agreed the rent for approximately 52 acres of cropland would be \$50 per acre and the rent for the approximately 57 acres of hay land would be \$16 per acre for a total of \$3,512 per year, with the term of the lease to start immediately and continue thru March 1, 2010. Walsh will prepare the lease and return with it later today for the Boards signature.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff discussed the recruitment of deputies with Walsh and the Board. During the discussion the Board asked the visiting government students their feelings about a career in law enforcement.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he has met with personnel from of Horizon Wind Energy concerning the road agreement they are preparing.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor discussed mixed loads being hauled to the Transfer Station and the 2008 hauling contract.

Murdock reported the fence has been completed at the old landfill site and the site is ready for use by the Rural Fire District.

Murdock reported they will be hosting a retirement reception on Friday, December 28th for Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director. Mills will be retiring on December 31st, after 30 years of service with Cloud County.

Murdock reported members of the Concordia Lions Club will be at the Recycling Center today to load bicycles for shipment to the Ellsworth Correctional Facility where they will be refurbished. A number of the bicycles will be returned to Cloud County for distribution to children in need.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved offering County employees the option of direct deposit for their payroll checks, beginning January 2008. The Board asked the County Clerk to contact Janet Lowell at Central National Bank to start the process for direct deposit.

LeDawn Welch, Clerk of District Court discussed the new computer system they are implementing thru the Office of Judicial Administration for on-line searches and discussed the purchase of a server for the Court offices.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the November 26th meeting as presented.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk presented a personnel classification change for Charles Mathews, Assistant Maintenance Manager, changing his hourly rate from \$9.18 to \$10.20 per hour, due to his having completed his six (6) month introductory period for that position. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

Bogart presented a personnel classification sheet for the hire of Randy Sorell as Fulltime Resource Officer/Surveillance Officer for JJA/Community Corrections at an hourly rate of \$14.00, with funds being taken from the SB14 Risk Reduction Grant. On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the deed for the Lost Creek Hills Medical building, which was purchased by Casselrock, Inc.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement # 2007-00036 thru 2007-00042 totaling \$3,567.80.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director requested changing her from an hourly employee to a salaried employee beginning January 2008. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the 3 year Cash Farm Lease with Karl Jacobson for the Transfer Station property, in the amount of \$3,512.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved sending notice to the Sibley Township Board for the Cereal Malt Beverage License Application by Marjorie Walthers for Concordia Travel Plaza.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m., until Monday, December 10, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
DECEMBER 10, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, December 10, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers, and Johnita Crawford and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent; Jerry Collins, IT Technician; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor, Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; LeaDawn Welch, Clerk of District Court; Larry Bergstrom Sheriff; and Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff.

Others attending were: Mayra Escalante, Brian Fraser and Jordan Cyphers, CHS Government Students; Elisa Gerard, CHS Government Instructor; P.J. Owen with Owen Trucking; Dr. Richard Underbakke, CCCC.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement # 2007-00044 in the amount of \$8.18.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the December 3, 2007 meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved notifying the Lincoln Township Board of the application for a Cereal Malt Beverage License by Travis Taylor DBA The Rock Quarry.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended a meeting at the hospital on Tuesday, December 4, 2007.

The Commissioners attended the Solid Waste Committee meeting on Wednesday, December 5, 2007.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported his department is treating roads for the ice and snow.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly department head meeting.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they are still working with Horizon Wind Energy and they are continuing to scan old documents.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported they are collecting 1st half taxes which are due December 20th.

Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent reported they are completing their school programs and are preparing a series of programs on arthritis. Gerhardt reported Todd Whitney will be returning, from his sabbatical, around the 1st of January.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are treating roads for ice and snow.

Jerry Collins, IT Technician reported he has been dealing with several new computer problems and he is getting ready for the end of the year.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported the Solid Waste Committee had met on December 5th. During the meeting it was reported that as of November 30th there has been 20 tons more recycled this year than at this time last year. This will result in a reduction in the amount of tonnage and loads being hauled to Topeka.

Murdock stated this would be Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director's last department head meeting, as he will be retiring on December 31st. The Solid Waste/ Recycling Depts. will be hosting a retirement coffee for Mills on Friday, December 28th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Courthouse meeting room.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the procedure, if necessary, for closing the Courthouse due to inclement weather. Johnson reminded the Department heads to turn in the count for their departments for the Employee Christmas Luncheon, which will be held on Monday, December 17th from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator reported they are receiving more referrals for Home Health Services and Doris Bergstrom had been the mentor for 2 Senior Projects.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported they are doing final review of values and he will be on KNCK Coffeetime, Friday, December 14, 2007.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are continuing to scan voter registration cards and they are getting ready for the end of the year.

LeaDawn Welch, Clerk of District Court reported 2 of their 3 servers went down last week and they have installed 1 larger server to cover their needs. Welch stated she will be working with the Emergency Preparedness Directors and Court Clerks in each county to set up a court security plan.

The Department head meeting ended at 10:40 a.m.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor and P.J. Owen with Owen Trucking discussed the 2008 hauling contract, which includes a change in the cost per load hauled to Topeka from \$258 to \$262. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the contract with Owen Trucking for 2008 with an increase in the cost per load hauled to Topeka.

Murdock reported he has been a mentor for Brandon Snavely's Senior Project on recycling and had attended his project presentation.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator presented a contract for Dietary Consultation Services with Christie Rogers for home consultations, the rate of \$45. per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the agreement with Rogers.

Dr. Richard Underbakke, President of CCCC visited with the Board about the possible housing issues that could arise in the future.

The Board recessed at 12:08 p.m. and resumed open session at 1:15 p.m.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff and Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff gave a report on the jail inspection by the State Fire Marshall.

The Board adjourned at 3:35 p.m., until Monday, December 17, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
DECEMBER 17, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 17, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Others attending were: Ron Thomas; Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Director; Mark Skiles, Concordia City Manager; Donald Dean and Ken Johnson, Campbell and Johnson Engineers; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Danny McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board.

Board signed department payroll checks.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Ron Thomas visited with the Board about the county's procedure for the sale of chemicals to land owners on a cost share basis and the amount charged for chemicals.

Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff and Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the procedure for the sale of chemicals by the County. Cloud County charges the land owner 75% of the cost of the chemicals and up to 15% of the cost of storage and handling, according to Kansas Statute.

Asch discussed the snow and ice removal during the recent storms and the county's longevity pay.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the December 10th meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2007-00045, 48, and 49 totaling \$1,290.02.

The Courthouse will close at noon on Monday, December 24th for the Christmas holiday.

Due to the Holiday Schedule the Commissioners will not meet on December 24th and will conduct their regular, year-end, business meeting on Friday, December 28th and will not meet on Monday, December 31st.

Mark Skiles, Concordia City Manager stopped by to introduce himself.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Director gave an update on the projects in Cloud County. Lowell presented the 2008 Funding Agreement for CloudCorp in the amount of \$45,000. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Funding Agreement.

The Board recessed at 11:15 a.m. to host the Employee Christmas Dinner.

The Board resumed open session at 1:30 p.m.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the application for 2007 Unexpended Funds for DOC in the amount of \$7,917.15. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the application.

Anderson presented the application for 2007 Unexpended Funds for JJA in the amount of \$644.55 to be used for Juvenile Intake. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the application.

Anderson reported Tammy Hamel would be resigning her position as AISO as of February 1st.

Donald Dean and Ken Johnson, with Campbell and Johnson stopped in to visit with the Board.

Commissioner Caspers reported that on Tuesday he had signed a Disaster Declaration on Behalf of Cloud County due to the recent ice storms.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved having the Chairman sign the Cereal Malt Beverage License for the Concordia Travel Plaza.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved sending notice to the Solomon Township Board for the Cereal Malt Beverage application for the Glasco Country Club.

Danny McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board presented the following appointments to the Fair Board: Kolt Ringer; Brenda Morgan; Danny McReynolds; Pat LeDuc. The appointments are for a three (3) year terms beginning January 1, 2008 thru December 31, 2010. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointments.

The Board adjourned at 2:35 p.m. until Friday, December 28, 2007.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
DECEMBER 28, 2007
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 28, 2007 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse with Chairman Bill Garrison, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Vicki Kopsa, Paralegal County Attorney's Office; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director; Justin Mills, Solid Waste Supervisor; Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator; Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff; Jerry Collins, IT Technician; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending were: Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio.

Signed Department Payroll and Expense Checks.

Vicki Kopsa, Paralegal discussed the procedure for the sale of county property acquired at previous tax foreclosure sale. The property will be advertised for sale by sealed bid and bids will be opened at 9:00 a.m. on January 28, 2008.

Kopsa presented a corrected deed for the 5.07A tract of land, in Arion Township, sold to Dorothy Spear. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the deed.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator and Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director discussed the recent storm damage in Cloud County.

Eubanks presented documents for signatures for the acceptance of 4 generators purchased with Homeland Security grant money. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote to allow the Chairman to sign the acceptance documents for the equipment.

Asch, requested a 5 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board recessed in a 5 minute executive session at 9:56 a.m. and resumed open session at 10:01 a.m. Also included in the session was the County Clerk.

Asch presented Resolution # 07-42 to allow the transfer of funds from Road and Bridge Fund to the Road and Bridge Special Machinery Fund, with the amount to be determined at the time of the County annual audit. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Resolution.

Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Supervisor reported the office addition at the Transfer Station is progressing. Murdock reported they will be getting a computer for the recycling center, which will allow for better tracking of loads shipped. As of December 27th there has been 107.8 tons more recycled than in 2006.

Commissioner Garrison and Murdock will attend a meeting in Osborne on January 9th concerning the e-waste grant.

The Board discussed the 2 Convention and Tourism positions and it was the consensus of the Board they are not to be considered employees of Cloud County and would be considered contract employees for the Convention and Tourism Committee.

Cynthia Weber, Health Administrator presented the contract with Doug Funk as Pharmacist for the Health Dept., at a rate of \$35.00 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the contract.

Weber also presented a contract with Justin Poore, D.O. for services as Cloud County Health Officer, at a rate of \$252.00 per month. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the contract.

Weber presented an amendment to the contract for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Response Grant, changing the term on the contract to September 1, 2006 to August 8, 2008. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman sign the amendment to the grant contract.

Weber presented a contract for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response-Pandemic Influenza Grant. The term of the contract will be September 1, 2007 to August 8, 2008. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote to allow the Chairman to sign the contract with KDHE and the Cloud County Health Dept. for the Pandemic Influenza Grant.

Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff presented a personnel classification for the hire of Anna Retta Waite as a part-time secretary for the Sheriff's Dept., to be effective January 2, 2007. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Anna Retta Waite, with the salary to be determined at a later date.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Jesse Payeur as a Road Officer for the Sheriff's Dept., to be effective December 28, 2007.

Kearn requested approval to obtain a VISA Card for the Sheriff's Dept. The card would be used by officers in emergency cases while on transports. The Board approved the request.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as corrected. (The sentence concerning the sale of chemicals should read: Cloud County charges the land owner 75% of the cost of the chemicals and up to 15% for the cost of storage and handling, according to Kansas Statute. Also, the motion to approve the minutes of the December 10th meeting was seconded by Commissioner Caspers).

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board moved to reappoint Carol Chartier to a 3 year term (January 1, 2008 thru December 31, 2010) on the Pawnee Mental Health Board.

The Board acknowledged a vacancy for an alternate position on the Pawnee Mental Health Board, this term would expire December 31, 2008.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved and signed the 2008 contract with Pawnee Menatl Health.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2007-00050 to #2007-00057 totaling \$363.42.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved and signed the contract with Pierce, Faris & Co. Chartered of Hutchinson, Ks. for the 2007 annual audit and 2009 budget preparation.

The Board recessed at 12 noon and resumed open session at 1:00 p.m.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the department requests for 2007 encumbered funds totaling \$73,563.10.

Register of Deeds requested \$1,310.36 to be used to restore permanent record binder, mylar pockets, jackets for binder and tabs and the purchase of an office chair.

Maintenance Dept. requested \$3,825.00 for the purchase of a new Nobles Speed Scrub with 20" pad.

Sheriff's Dept. requested \$34,673.26 to update the Radio system, computers, cameras and weapon sights.

The Sheriff's Dept. requested \$3,954.48 be encumbered from Special Building for the installation of an intercom system in the jail and a metal door & frame to be installed in the jail.

Election Fund requested \$5,800.00 for the purchase of the Election Reporting Manager software, hardware and training.

Road and Bridge requested \$24,000 for the purchase of radio equipment.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 07-43 designating the banks for county offices for 2008.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-44 designating the Blade Empire as the official county newspaper for 2008.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #07-45 concerning Waiver of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Lisa Widen as Deputy County Clerk/Deputy Election Officer, effective January 4, 2008.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Cereal Malt Beverage License for Travis Taylor DBA The Rock Quarry.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a 2% Cost of Living raise for county employees, with the exception of the

County Commissioners whose salary will remain the same as 2007. The raises will be effective the 1st payroll of 2008.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 20 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. The Board recessed into executive session at 1:52 p.m. and resumed open session at 2:12 p.m.

Jerry Collins, IT Technician visited with the Board concerning the IT Dept.

At 2:30 p.m. the Commissioners attended the retirement reception for Richard Mills, Solid Waste Director who will be retiring as of December 31st.

The Board adjourned at 3:30 p.m.