

January 30, 2023

Commissioner Thurlow, Commissioner Carlson, and Commissioner Mayo were present at a regular meeting beginning at 8:00 a.m. The minutes were approved as printed.

Joel Mason, County Attorney, met with the Board to discuss County business. Mr. Mason stated that we received notice of the new recent National Opioid Settlements that will require action from Mr. Mason to participate and receive a small percentage of the settlement. Mr. Mason asked the Board to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to go into Executive Session under the Attorney-Client Privilege Exception for 5 minutes beginning at 8:35 a.m. with Joel Mason, County Attorney, Commissioner Mayo, Commissioner Thurlow, Commissioner Carlson, and Kayla Wang, County Clerk present. The subject to be discussed is pending litigation matters. Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The regular meeting reconvened at 8:40 a.m. with no action being taken during the session.

Bobby Shomper, Highway Administrator, met with the Board to give weekly report. Last week the Department removed snow on Saturday and Sunday, bladed roads, and did repairs on spreaders. The railroad tanks have been delivered at the two locations in the County. When the weather is better, they will start the two bridge replacement projects. Mr. Shomper stated that the new mowing tractor has been ordered and the Tiger mower is being built. Mr. Shomper presented bids for the purchase of 2 new pickups as follows:

Glavan Ford – 2023 Ford F350 4x4 Regular Cab- \$49,133.16

2023 Ford F350 4x4 Super Cab - \$56,289.16

2023 Ford F350 4x4 Crew Cab - \$61,910.16

Friesen Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram – 2023 Dodge Tradesman Regular Cab - \$52,442

2023 Dodge Tradesman Crew Cab - \$55,215

The Board instructed Mr. Shomper to contact Glavan Ford to purchase the 2023 Ford F350 4x4 Regular Cab pickup when it arrives in the amount of \$49,133.16 and to contact Friesen to order the 2023 Dodge Tradesman Crew Cab pickup in the amount of \$52,442 which they say will be here in 12 weeks.

Rocky Cramer, EMS Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Mr. Cramer reported that the Department was extremely busy. They worked 32 emergency runs or out of town transfers last week. Medic 8 will be taken in for the routine maintenance this week. Mr. Cramer stated that they have been going around to the County facilities checking the AED units to make sure that the batteries are good and that the pads are within dates. The pads have a life date of 5 years. Mr. Cramer asked that if they were to purchase AED pads for other locations, what fund would we pay for those out of? The Board agreed that the pads will be paid for out of the County General Fund for the County AED locations. The Board granted permission to pay the 2023 KEMPSA Membership in the amount of \$515. This membership includes the employee Squad Membership. Mr. Cramer stated that they are needing to replace and order Department uniforms at an estimated cost of \$2,600. The Board granted permission to order new uniforms as needed for the EMS Department.

Pam Kemp, Emergency Manager, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Ms. Kemp reported that she attended a Homeland Security meeting last week and the cybersecurity testing for Clay County has not been completed at this time, but should be done in 2023. Networks Plus is also providing cybersecurity testing for their customers.

Dana Rickley, County Health Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Ms. Rickley stated that we are down to 4 positive cases of COVID in Clay County. Clay Counts sponsored the movie A Man Named Otto on Saturday night at the theater. They were pleased with the turnout of 83 individuals attending.

Alan Benninga, Sheriff, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Sheriff Benninga reported that they are needing to purchase tires for several of the Deputy vehicles. The bids were reviewed as follows:

- Kansasland Tire and Service – Goodyear Eagle Enforcer - \$852 for 4 tires
- FriesenAuto – Goodyear Eagle Enforcer – \$1,083.80 for 4 tires
- General G-Max Justice - \$1,243.80 for 4 tires
- General G-Max Justice - \$1,295.80 for 4 tires
- Goodyear Eagle Enforcer AW - \$1,147.80 for 4 tires

Sheriff Benninga stated that they were really in need of 4 sets of tires for the patrol units. After reviewing the bids Commissioner Carlson made the motion to purchase 4 sets of tires from Kansasland Tire for a total amount of \$3,408. To be paid out of the Sheriff's budget. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Bobby Shomper, Highway Administrator, reported back to the Board that the 2023 Ford F350 4x4 Regular Cab pickup for \$49,133.16 is no longer available to the County, for it has been assigned to someone else. The Board pulled the bids for review again and after much discussion, Commissioner Mayo made the motion to purchase both the 2023 Dodge Tradesman Regular Cab pickup in the amount of \$52,442 and the 2023 Dodge Tradesman Crew Cab pickup in the amount of \$55,215 from Friesen, Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram. Both pickups will be order with a estimated delivery time of 12 weeks. Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Rhonda Carroll, Landfill Director, met with the Board to present a quote for tires for the Ford Pickup as follows:  
Kansasland Tire – Workhorse AT – 4 tires - \$745.50

- Five Creek Automotive – KUMHO Tire - \$1,169.23
- Kelly KS Tires - \$1,107.34
- Kendra Klever A/T2 - \$1,009.80

After reviewing the bids Commissioner Carlson made a motion to accept the quote from Kansasland Tire for 4 Workhorse AT Tires in the amount of \$745.50. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Ms. Carroll also presented a quote for 4 tires for the recycling trailer as follows:

- Kansasland Tire – M108+FRSTR - \$533.00
- Five Creek Automotive – Carlisle Sport Trail – \$630.28
- Power King HD Radial - \$500.44

Commissioner Carlson made the motion to accept the quote from Five Creek Automotive on 4 Power King HD Radial tires in the amount of \$500.44. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The Board granted permission for Ms. Carroll to take the Green Ford truck to the shop for repairs to be made.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

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David M. Thurlow, Chairman

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Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk  
February 6, 2023  
Clay Center, Kansas