January 13, 2020

Commissioner Mayo, Commissioner Thurlow, and Commissioner Carlson were present at a regular meeting beginning at 8:00 a.m. The minutes were approved as printed. Payroll in the amount of $191,656.22 was reviewed and approved by the Board. Account payables in the amount of $188,069.93 for the budget year 2019 were reviewed and approved by the Board. Account payables in the amount of $359,007.29 for the budget year 2020 were reviewed and approved by the Board.

The Board received a recommendation from Pawnee Mental Health that the Board of Commissioner re-appoint Fadia Hamadah as a regular member of the Pawnee Mental Health Services Governing Board of Directors for another three-year term beginning January 1, 2020 thru December 31, 2022. Commissioner Carlson made the motion to re-appoint Fadia Hamadah to serve on the Pawnee Mental Health Board representing the County of Clay for another three-year term. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mayo made the motion to nominate Commissioner Thurlow as the Chairman of the Board for the year of 2020. Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mayo made the motion to nominate Commissioner Carlson as the Vice-Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for the year of 2020. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and he motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thurlow read the partial list of businesses for the annual meeting. Commissioner Carlson made the motion to sign the partial list of businesses for the Commissioners annual meeting which is used for the reorganization of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mayo made the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-01 setting the salaries for the Clay County Elected Officials. Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Carlson made the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-02 setting the financial statements and the financial reports of the County of Clay to be prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements as adjusted to show compliance with the cash bases and budget laws of the State of Kansas. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mayo made the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-03 setting the reimbursement of mileage at .58 per mile actually incurred in the performance of such duties by such official or employee effective January 1st, 2020. Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mayo made the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-04 to continue the Rural Opportunity Zone Program (ROZ) in Clay County. Clay County Commissioners hereby obligate Clay County to participate in the student loan repayment program. Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
Jeff Germann, Interim Highway Administrator, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Last week the Department hauled rock, bladed roads, helped with the cleanup in the Clay County Park, finished a ditching project on Prairie Rd., cleaned out ditches west and south of Vining, treated roads on Friday, Saturday, and early on Monday morning. The salt/sand treatment had a difficult time melting all of the ice on the roads. Mr. Germann stated that he had been in contact with the Rail Yard in Oklahoma to discuss the different types of tubes that could be used in the Clay County Park to replace the one that is caving in. The Rail Yard has the ½ round with the metal floor in them for $250 per ft and it would need to be 75 ft long for a cost of $18,750. This type of tube would last for a long period of time. The Board will discuss this and make a decision at the next meeting. Permission was granted to put out for bids on corrugated pipe. The bids will be opened at the February 3rd, 2020 meeting at 8:30 a.m. The Department will start hauling chips for the chip sealing project this summer. They will need to haul approximately 6,000 tons of chips from Falls Quarry in Geary County. Quotes for a tree saw attachment for the skid loader was reviewed as follows:

- Double L Manufacturing LLC- Clay Center - $10,200 (rotates 90 degrees)
  (available in 3-4 weeks)
- Circle 3 Welding & Fabrication – Longford - $10,200 (rotating)
  $9,300 (rigid)
  (will start to build in 3 months)

Commissioner Carlson made the motion to purchase a tree saw attachment from Double L Manufacturing of Clay Center in the amount of $10,200. To be paid for out of the Road & Bridge Fund. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Von Kramer joined the meeting and expressed his concerns on the slick road conditions from this last storm. Mr. Germann explained that they had treated the roads three different times with the salt/sand mixture but with no sun and as cold as it was the treatment had a hard time removing the ice.

Cherie Birkbeck, Clay County appointed Kansas Silver Haired Legislature member, met with the Board to provide a pamphlet explaining what the Silver Haired Legislature stands for and what they represent for each County. Also Ms. Birkbeck presented the Board with a copy of the 37th Annual Session Journal reporting what the Silver Haired Legislature in the 2019 year.

Susan Mall, Register of Deeds, met with the Board and asked to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to go into Executive Session under the Personnel Exemption of non-elected personnel for 10 minutes beginning at 9:55 a.m. with Commissioner Thurlow, Commissioner Carlson, Commissioner Mayo, Susan Mall, Register of Deeds, and Kayla Wang, County Clerk present. The subject to be discussed is personnel. Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The regular meeting reconvened at 10:05 a.m. with no action being taken during the session.

Rhonda Carroll, Landfill Director, met with the Board to present the propane bids received. The bids for 4,000 gallons of propane were reviewed as follows:

- Hoovers Inc - .99 per gallon
- Homeoil - .95 per gallon
- Propane Central - .849 per gallon

Commissioner Mayo made the motion to accept the bid from Propane Central for the purchase of 4,000 gallons of propane at a cost of .849 per gallon. Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed
unanimously. The Board signed an Event Approval for an employee of the Landfill to attend training in Salina, Kansas.

Chuck Dunn, Sheriff, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Sheriff Dunn presented the following tire bids for the purchase of 4 replacement tires.

- Kansasland Tire – Goodyear Wrangler Trailrunner - $608.74
- Five Creek Automotive – Firestone Destination - $808.88
- Firestone Transforce - $684.52

After reviewing the bids, Commissioner Carlson made the motion to accept the bid from Kansasland Tire in the amount of $608.74 for the purchase of 4 replacement tires. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Rocky Cramer, EMS Director, met with the Board by phone to give the weekly report. The road conditions last weekend made it difficult for the Department to make out of town transfers. The Board approved an Event Approval for an employee of the EMS Department to attend a meeting in Salina, Kansas. The E Series monitor that was sent back to Zoll has been shipped back and the issue was an internal battery that was bad. The cost to replace the battery was $53.01. The Z-Vent that was ordered has arrived and the In-Service training will be later this month.

The Board adjourned at 11:00 a.m. to travel to Wakefield. Mike Carney, Clay County Park, Dave Bloom, Chad Bloom, and Sheldon Pfizenmaier, Bloom Construction joined the Board for lunch.

The Board reconvened at 12:15 p.m. at the Clay County Park to view the damage and to discuss the cost of repairs of the Park Shop verses building a new shop. Mr. Dave Bloom explained to the Board what their schedule of work will be when they are able to work due to the weather. Mr. Carney gave a tour of the Park showing the flood damages to the shelters, electrical pedestals, and trees. The Arborist will return on the January 23rd to view the trees to see which ones need to be removed. The Board toured roads and looked at projects in the southern part of the County.

Commissioner Mayo made the motion to spend up to $600 on replacement tires for the Ford 500 County Car. Bids will be received this week and listed at the next Commission Meeting. Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board arrived back at Courthouse at 3:00 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

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Jerry F. Mayo, Past Chairman                                    Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk
                                                        January 21, 2020
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David M. Thurlow, Chairman