

January 27, 2020

Commissioner Thurlow, Commissioner Carlson, and Commissioner Mayo were present at a regular meeting beginning at 1:00 p.m. The minutes were approved as printed. Payroll in the amount of \$177,214.33 was reviewed and approved by the Board. Account Payables in the amount of \$68.26 was reviewed and approved by the Board. Ryan Wilson, Clay Center Dispatch, started the Live Stream on Facebook at 1:30 p.m.

Abatement 2019A49 in the amount of \$236.12 was reviewed and approved by the Board.

The Board signed three Event Approvals for employees of the County Treasurer's Office to attend training in Topeka, Kansas.

The Board received an email inviting Clay County to be a part of the Kansas Byways Guide in the 2020-2021 distribution. Previously the County had placed a quarter page ad advertising Clay County. The cost of the same size ad for 2020-2021 would be \$695. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to place a quarter page ad in the Kansas Byways Guide for 2020-2021 in the amount of \$695 out of Travel & Tourism Fund. 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 worked in the shop doing maintenance on equipment, snow removal, and bladed roads. Mr. Germann stated that they had to close the Broughton Bridge again for water was over the road in three different areas. The Board discussed the road conditions with all of the moisture and the melting of the ice. The Board signed the contract agreement for Preliminary Engineering with Kirkham Michael on the KDOT Bureau of Local Project for the painting of the white lines on all County blacktop roads. This project will be done at no cost to the County. Mr. Germann reported that the Rail Yard had been in contact and stated that they currently have a 9 ft culvert that could be cut in half to use to replace the culvert at the Clay County Park. The 4.5 ft height would be larger than the current tube. Rail Yard stated that for a fee they could cut it down to 3.5 or 4 ft which would work better to replace the current one. The cost would be \$250 per foot plus the fee to cut the height of the tube down. The Board granted permission to order this culvert for the Clay County Park. This will be paid out of General Fund and reimbursed with FEMA funds when available.

Rocky Cramer, EMS Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. The Department continues to stay busy with emergency runs, so far in 2020 they have had 72 runs. The in-service training on the new Z-Vent from Zoll was done last week. This piece of equipment will be a very good advantage for the Department. The replacement of a furnace has been put out for bids. Permission was granted to take bids on two new replacement computers.

Marlene Stamm, NCK Environmental LLC, met with the Board to give the Sanitarian quarterly report for Clay County. The report stated that there were 1-refinance permit, 2-tank permits, 1-vault/lateral permit, 2-no laterals, 12-tank/lateral permits, 2-well permits, 2-lateral permits, and 2-lagoon permits. Ms. Stamm reported on meetings and training that she has attended in the last 3 months.

Chuck Dunn, Sheriff, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Sheriff Dunn stated that they are needing to purchase two replacement office chairs for the Dispatch area. They would like to purchase two chairs from Central Office Service & Supply in the amount of \$149 each. Permission was granted to purchase the two chairs from Central Office Service & Supply in the amount of \$149 each and to be paid for out of the Sheriff's budget.

Kenny Blair, Cook, Flatt, & Strobel, called the Board by phone. Commissioner Mayo asked to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to go into Executive Session under the Personnel Exception of non-elected personnel for 20 minutes beginning at 3:35p.m. with Commissioner Thurlow, Commissioner Carlson, Commissioner Mayo, Kayla Wang, County Clerk, and Kenny Blair by phone present. The subject to be discussed is personnel. Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The regular meeting reconvened at 3:55 p.m. with no action being taken during the session.

John and Eva Bond met with the Board to discuss the small area of property on 10th Road that is owned by the Corp of Engineers on 10th Road and leased by KDWPT. This piece of property connects to the Bond's driveway and KDWPT is to maintain it. The County maintains 10th Road up to the Corp owned property. Mr. Bond expressed that the road is in bad shape and that he has been in contact with KDWPT representative and has received negative response with nothing getting done for maintenance on that piece of property. Mr. Bond asked if the County would be willing to do the maintenance on this small piece of road. Commissioner Thurlow stated that if they would do this for them then they would have to do it for others in the County. The Board decided that they would draft a letter to KDWPT individuals in support of the Bonds and express the need of maintenance to be done to this part of the road.

The Board conducted interviews on four applicants for the vacant Highway Administrator position.

The Board adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 6:15 p.m.

The Board adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

David M. Thurlow, Chairman

Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk
February 3, 2020
Clay Center, Kansas