

February 18, 2020

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. Account payables in the amount of \$36,901.59 were reviewed and approved by the Board.

The following employees were presented with Longevity Service Awards for the years of employment with Clay County. For 5 years: Kim Kendrick, Alec Trembath, and Thomas Wuehler. For 10 years: James Bogart and Whitney Baer. For 15 years: Jaylon Rush, Paul Kidwell, and Troy Smith. For 20 years: Jerry Mayo, Jeff Germann, and Alan Benninga. For 30 years: Darrin Obenland and Charles Dunn. For 40 years: Ronnie Tremblay. The Board presented the awards and thanked the employees for all that they do and for their years of service with Clay County.

Abatements 2019A50 and 2019A51 in the amount of \$49.02 was reviewed and approved by the Board.

Jeff Germann, Interim Highway Administrator, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Last week the Department hauled rock, bladed roads, mowed ditches, fixed a driveway, cleaned out pipes, and hauled chips from several locations. Mr. Germann informed the Board that he has completed the paper work for this years Federal Exchange Funds. The new mini excavator was delivered last week, but when the deal was made it did not include a new bucket for it. The old bucket is in bad shape and they would like to purchase a new 24" bucket. The new bucket cost \$1,369 less trade in of the old bucket for a difference of \$550 to be paid for out of Road and Bridge Fund. Commissioner Carlson made the motion to purchase the new 24" bucket in the amount of \$550 for the new mini excavator. This will be paid for out of the Road and Bridge Fund. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The mini excavator came with a straight blade but Mr. Germann said that they would use the angled blade a lot more but they will wait on that to see if they trade this model in next year and get one at that time.

Ryan Wilson, Clay Center Dispatch, started the live stream on Facebook at 8:55 a.m.

Rocky Cramer, EMS Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Last Thursday when pulling out of the garage during an emergency call the ambulance caught on one of the doors and damaged the bottom two panels. The Board instructed Mr. Cramer to return with two quotes to fix the door next week. Mr. Cramer stated that he will be placing an ad in the newspaper to fill the upcoming vacant EMT position. Image Trend is the State's version of Patient Care Reporting that the EMS is currently using, they are having a conference in St. Paul, Minnesota for training on using the program in depth. Mr. Cramer has applied for a Region 4 grant to pay the \$595 for the registration fee and the County would pay for the lodging, meals, and travel. The Board granted permission for Mr. Cramer to attend this conference in July.

Danny Mesalles, County Appraiser, met with the Board to give a Department update. The Board signed an Event Approval for an employee of the Appraiser's Office to attend training in Manhattan, Kansas. Personal Property Renditions are Due in the Appraiser's Office by March 15, 2020. After that date a penalty will be applied to the value. Real Estate Values will be mailed out on February 28, 2020. The

valuation overall has increased. Arnie Knoettgen, County Maintenance, joined the meeting to discuss the flooring in one office of the Appraiser's Office. Commissioner Mayo contacted the Kansas State Historical Society and received information on repairing and fixing limestone rock flooring. The Board instructed Mr. Knoettgen to contact a flooring specialist to handle this issue.

Kayla Wang, County Clerk, met with the Board to present two Cereal Malt Beverage License applications for the Longford Rodeo Club, Inc. to be approved. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to approve two Cereal Malt Beverage Licenses for the Longford Rodeo Club, Inc. Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Whitney Baer, Noxious Weed Director, met with the Board by phone call. Ms. Baer informed the Board that the front tires on the old spray truck are not fixable and that they will need to replace them before selling the truck on Purplewave. Ms. Baer was not able to find any used tires in good shape so the bids that she received are as follows:

Kansasland Tire - \$125 each

Five Creeks Automotive - \$129.50 each

The Board granted permission to purchase two tires from Kansasland in the amount of \$125 each.

The Board approved the annual payment of \$7,500 to Everbridge, Inc. for the Mass Notification Pro software that the County uses to send out emergency notification to the public that has registered to receive these notices. This will be paid for out of the Emergency Management Fund.

Chuck Dunn, Sheriff, met with the Board to give the weekly report. The bids for a replacement patrol vehicle were opened as follows:

Glavan Ford— 2020 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor AWD 3.0L EcoBoost engine - \$38,944.14

Friesen Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram – 2020 Dodge Durango Pursuit 5.7 V8 AWD - \$35,168.40

2020 Dodge Durango Pursuit 3.6L V6 AWD - \$31,992.40

After reviewing the bids, Commissioner Carlson made the motion to purchase the 2020 Dodge Durango Pursuit 5.7 V8 AWD replacement patrol SUV in the amount of \$35,168.40. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The Board signed an Event Approval for two employees of the Sheriff's Department to attend training in Salina, Kansas. Bids were opened for the seat in a patrol vehicle that was damaged as follows:

Wilder Auto Body Inc. - \$642.20 (New Seat)

Perfection Auto Body Inc. - \$682.04 (New Seat)

Perfection Auto Body Inc. - \$414.11 (Repair & Upholster)

Wilder Auto Body Inc. - \$306.00 (Used Seat in Black)

Glavan Ford - \$744.25 (New Seat)

Gary Willmann - \$110.00 (Repair & Upholster)

The Board granted permission to go with Gary Willmann to repair and upholster the seat for \$110.00.

The Board adjourned at 11:35 a.m. for lunch

The Board reconvened at 2:55 p.m.

The Board held the second interview with an applicant for the Highway Administrator position. The Board made the offer of employment to the applicant and will wait for an answer from the applicant.

The Board adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

David M. Thurlow, Chairman

Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk
February 24, 2020
Clay Center, Kansas