

March 16, 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 \$60,175.39 were reviewed and approved by the Board.

Abatement 2019A53 in the amount of \$321.80 was reviewed and approved by the Board of Commissioners.

The Board signed two Event Approvals for the Register of Deeds Office to attend meetings in Mankato and Kansas City, Kansas.

Bobby Shomper, Highway Administrator, and Jeff Germann, Assistant Administrator, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Last week the Department worked in the shop repairing tires, doing maintenance on equipment, repairing a truck, built a metal box to be used for a small bridge, moved sealing chips to other locations, hauled rock, bladed roads, worked at the Clay County Park removing the vaulted toilets, hauled several loads of sand to fill in the area where the vaulted toilets were, replaced window in loader, and filled the rock that had settled on the newly installed culvert. Mr. Shomper and Mr. Germann met with Dickinson County Road & Bridge to discuss the bridge located just west of Industry, Kansas. This bridge is shared by both Clay County and Dickinson County. Clay County will be responsible of approximately 25% of the repairs or replacement of this large bridge. This being scheduled for work a year from now, so that the Counties can budget for it in the 2021 budget year. The tube that has been purchased to replace a bridge on Osage Road is to be delivered this Thursday depending on the weather and the condition of the road to get the semi in and out.

Rocky Cramer, EMS Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. There were 4 instead of 5 EIG Grants approved by the State for the students that are currently taking EMT class. Mr. Cramer will hold interviews this week to fill the vacant AEMT position. The new desktop computers have arrived and now will get them scheduled for installation. Mr. Cramer reported that the Department has masks but are in need of gowns that they will need to wear for the COVID-19 virus.

Jonathan Lang, KCLY, joined the meeting.

Mike Carney, Clay County Park Manager, met with the Board to present the electrical bid for the rebuild of the H frames and the Pedestals including breakers, GFI's, and receptacles. The bids are as follows:

Border States Supply Chain Solutions - \$11,972.23 (172 units)

Menards - \$20,672.61 (200 units)

A bid was received from Bloom Construction for repairs to three shelter houses in the amount of \$7,938.00. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to accept the electrical bid from Border States in the amount of \$11,972.23 and the bid to repair three of the shelters in the amount of \$7,938.00.

Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed unanimously. This is to be paid for out of County General and reimbursed when FEMA funds become available. The Park Board held a meeting last week and will try to have the entire park open by May 1st, 2020. Mr. Carney stated that as he completes an area, he will allow campers to move in earlier if they would want to. The State Forester spent the day

at the Park on Friday inspecting the trees that had been in flood water up to 9 months. Mr. Carney reported that there are 53 trees that are dead from the flood and will need to be removed and also there are 51 trees that have died before the flood. The Highway Department will be helping with the removal of all the trees that need to be removed. The Forester will return next month to check a few more trees that they were not able to determine. Mr. Carney reported that the vaulted toilets have been removed and filled with sand.

Melissa Stellner, District Court Clerk, met with the Board to report that their printer in District Court, has a maintenance kit that needs to be replaced. Ms. Stellner received a quote from Central Office Service & Supply in the amount of \$399 for a HP Brand kit plus \$50 for installation and to check the machine over. Their printer is 8 years old, so a quote to replace it with a new one would be \$899. The Board asked if they needed a new printer and Ms. Stellner stated that their current one was working fine and she didn't feel that they needed a new one. Commissioner Carlson made the motion to purchase the HP maintenance kit from Central Office Service & Supply in the amount of \$399 plus \$50 installation. This will be paid for out of the District Court Budget. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Kayla Wang, County Clerk, met with the Board to present a quote for the purchase of 4 new office chairs from Central Office Service & Supply. Commissioner Carlson made the motion to purchase 4 new office chairs for the County Clerk's Office from Central Office Service & Supply and to allow up to \$661.72 for the purchase. This will be paid for out of the County Clerk's Budget. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Chuck Dunn, Sheriff, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Sheriff Dunn reported that they have the basic safety supplies to deal with COVID-19. They will not be allowing any visitors at the jail for a period of time.

Dana Rickley, County Health Administrator, and Pam Kemp, Emergency Manager, met with the Board to discuss the COVID-19 virus. Ms. Rickley stated that County Health has a supply of the protective items that they will need to use at the Health Department. They are still recommending that you cancel an event if it has 50 or more people attending. The Chairman signed a Grant Application for the State of Kansas Department of Health and Environment for the period of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. Ms. Kemp stated for individuals that are looking for factual resources need to use the following websites for information: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

<http://www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus/index.htm>

These websites are updated several times a day with current and factual information.

Lori Huber, Economic Development Director, met with the Board to give the quarterly report. Ms. Huber presented the Clay County Economic Development Group Finance Report to the Board for review. She also reported that eight businesses have transitioned to new ownership: 34 jobs were retained and 13 new jobs were formed. The Job Fair was held, 14 businesses responded to the survey and of those 11 said that they would grow with new jobs. Ms. Huber stated that at this time they are trying to help and take care of the current businesses in Clay County.

Rhonda Carroll, Landfill Director, met with the Board to present tire bids. The bids on 4 replacement tires were reviewed as follows:

Kansasland Tire and Service – Patagonia A/T - \$541.00
Goodyear Wrangler TrailRunner - \$550.44
Friesen – Goodyear Wrangler TrailRunner - \$544.85
Toyo Open Country - \$613.85
Firestone Transforce - \$631.85
Five Creek Automotive – Nex Roadian - \$692.44
Iron All Country - \$583.72

Commissioner Carlson made the motion to purchase 4 Goodyear Wrangler replacement tires from Friesen in the amount of \$544.85. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Permission was granted to get quotes on repairing the mower deck. Ms. Carroll also reported to the Board that all records are up to date on the Leachate Pond.

The Board adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

David M. Thurlow, Chairman

Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk
March 23, 2020
Clay Center, Kansas