

October 13, 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.

Bobby Shomper, Highway Administrator, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Last week the Department graded roads, hauled rock, mowed roadsides, installed a culvert on 5th Rd. between Hackberry Rd. and Indian Rd., cleaned and trimmed trees around the Broughton bridge area, did ditch work and built up the road on 29th Rd. between Indian Rd. and Jayhawk Rd., worked in the shop cleaning and organizing the tool room and the parts cage, and removed a log jam on 17th Rd. between Valleyview Rd. and Countyline Rd. Mr. Shomper reported that they had to replace the water cooler dispenser for the office. They purchased one at Clay County Lumber & Supply in the amount of \$189.99.

Jeanna Fancella, Daughters of American Revolution, met with the Board to give a report on the 2019 Wreaths Across America. Last year, the volunteers were able to honor 600 local Veterans by placing a wreath on their graves. This year they have donations of 750 wreaths so far and their goal for 2020 is to have 1,000 wreaths. Then every year after that they hope to have a wreath for every Veteran in Greenwood Cemetery. Ms. Fancella stated that they very much appreciated the donation that the County made last year and would ask that they consider making a donation for 2020 and invited the Board to join them on December 19th, 2020 to volunteer with the placement of the wreaths on the Veterans graves. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to donate \$1050 to purchase 70 wreaths. This will be paid for out of the Alcohol Fund. Commissioner Carlson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Permission was granted to purchase a water cooler dispenser for the County Clerk's Office from Clay County Lumber & Supply in the amount of \$189.99. This will be paid for out of the County General Fund.

Dana Rickley, County Health Director, met with the Board to give an update on the COVID-19 pandemic. Ms. Rickley reported that she has been assisting the School District with a modified quarantine of one classroom. Ms. Rickley stated that the School District was well prepared and that everything went as planned. Clay County currently has 6 active cases and they are following 24 contacts. Ms. Rickley reported on the hours that herself and the Department have been working through the COVID-19 pandemic. Ms. Rickley would like to purchase two additional faucets that are hands free to be placed on sinks that the staff wash their hands at all the time. These faucets can be paid for out of the SPARKS Funds. The Board granted permission for the purchase of the two hands free faucets and will have County Maintenance order them. Ms. Rickley asked if someone could take over the project of replacing the flooring in the public area. The Board stated that they will visit with Maintenance about this also.

Arnie Knoettgen, County Maintenance, met with the Board to discuss the replacement of the two faucets at County Health and the handling of the flooring project. Mr. Knoettgen stated that he will get the faucets ordered and that he will visit with Wardcraft Homestore about laying the new flooring before the end of the year.

Marlene Stamm, NCK Environmental, met with the Board to give a sanitation report for Clay County. Ms. Stamm reported that she has been busy with permits in Clay County. The report stated that there were 13 Tank/Lateral, 9 Water Test, 1 Lagoon, 1 Real Estate, 3 Laterals, 1 Tank, and 4 Well permits in the last three months. Usually the permits slow down during the winter months. The training that she normally attends has all been cancelled with the pandemic event.

The Board approved the annual renewal of the digicert certificate for our mail server from Networks Plus in the amount of \$250.

The Board adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

David M. Thurlow, Chairman

Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk
October 19, 2020
Clay Center, Kansas