

February 5, 2018

Commissioner Carlson, Commissioner Mayo, and Commissioner Thurlow were present at a regular meeting beginning at 8:00 a.m. The minutes were approved as printed. Account payables in the amount of \$460,192.56 for budget year 2018 and \$14,847.16 for budget year 2017.

The following employees were presented with Longevity Service Awards for the years of employment with Clay County. For 5 years: Chandra Schwab, Joseph Stroede, and Rocky Cramer. For 10 years: Robert Wilken and Rhonda Carroll. For 15 years: Mikel Crawford. For 20 years: Raymond Geer, Dean Dunn, and Dana Rickley. For 25 years: Kayla Wang. For 35 years: Nancy Winter. The Board presented the awards and thanked the employees for all that they do and for their years of service with the County.

Dana Rickley, County Health Administrator, met with the Board to inform them that they will need to purchase a replacement vacuum sweeper for the Health Department. The bids are as follows:

B D4 Distributing, Inc – Pacer 12ue - \$355.20
Pacer 15ue - \$445.60
Dan's Fix It Shop – Titan T-400 Heavy Duty - \$265.00
Wall's True Value – San Commercial Upright Vacuum - \$299.00
San Bag Upright Vacuum - \$249.00
Oreck Commercial XL2100RHS - \$300.00

Dale Bechard, Courthouse Custodian joined the meeting to review the vacuum bids with the Board. After reviewing the bids, the Board made the decision to purchase the Titan T-400 Heavy Duty sweeper from Dan's Fix It Shop in the amount of \$265.00 and to be paid out of the County Health Fund.

The Board approved the payment of \$325 for the Kansas County Commissioner Association 2018 Membership Dues. This is to be paid out of the Commissioner's Fund.

The Board approved a bill from Redi Systems for the repairs made to the sound system in the Courtroom in the amount of \$2,295.42 to be paid out of County General.

Ronnie Tremblay, Highway Administrator, met with Board to give the weekly report. One bid was received for galvanized steel bridge planks and opened as follows:

Welborn Sales, Inc. – (50) 10 ft long - \$8,110.00
(40) 16 ft long - \$10,380.80
Total \$18,490.80

Commissioner Mayo made the motion to purchase the galvanized steel bridge planks from Welborn Sales, Inc. in the amount of \$18,490.80. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Last week the Department hauled rock, bladed roads, snow removal, completed a ditch job on 24th Rd., and a tree job and the placement of a culvert south of Vining.

Marvin VanBlaricon, EMS Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. They are almost finished with the specification for a new ambulance. The specs will be distributed soon and the bids will

be opened on March 12, 2018. Kansas Board of EMS was here last week to do the inspections on the service, training records, programs, and the Ambulance Units. All inspections had passing results.

Abatements 2017A50 thru 2017A53 in the amount of \$2,222.24 were reviewed and approved by the Board.

Bruce Wingerd, Attorney, met with the Board as per request of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Thurlow made the motion to go into Executive Session under the Attorney – Client Privilege Exception for 20 minutes beginning at 9:58 a.m. with Commissioner Carlson, Commissioner Mayo, Commissioner Thurlow, Kayla Wang, County Clerk, and Mr. Wingerd present. The subject to be discussed is legal concerns. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The regular meeting reconvened at 10:17 a.m. and Commissioner Mayo made the motion to hire Mr. Wingerd as a part time County Counselor for Department Heads and the Commissioners to use if legal matters arise and the County Attorney is busy with Court trials. The County will pay Mr. Wingerd on a case by case basis only when he is used. Mr. Wingerd will draw up a contract to sign. This will be paid for out of the County Attorney’s budget. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board signed the Engagement Letter with Varney & Associates for the firm to do the 2017 County Audit.

Chuck Dunn, Sheriff, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Sheriff Dunn informed the Board that they will be putting specs out for two new patrol vehicles at the end of the month. Commissioner Carlson expressed his concerns about having enough emergency lights on the patrol vehicles to be seen easily and for the safety of our Officers. Also Sheriff Dunn requested that they purchase half cages to put in the back seat to transport individuals that are out of control. This would contain them in a smaller space and make it harder for them to damage the vehicle and cause an injury to themselves. The Board granted permission to purchase two cages for the two new patrol vehicles. Commissioner Mayo asked to go into Executive Session under the Personnel Exception of non-elected personnel for 5 minutes beginning at 10:35 a.m. with Commissioner Carlson, Commissioner Mayo, Commissioner Thurlow, Kayla Wang, County Clerk, and Sheriff Dunn present. The subject to be discussed is personnel. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The regular meeting reconvened at 10:39 a.m. with no action being taken during the session.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Eric A. Carlson, Chairman

Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk
February 12, 2018
Clay Center, Kansas