

February 26, 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. Payroll in the amount of \$168,192.38 was reviewed and approved by the Board.

Ronnie Tremblay, Highway Administrator, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Last week the Department started three mornings at 5:00 a.m. spreading salt and sand because of the slick roads, continued with doing odd jobs and maintenance around the County. There was a difference on the bill for bridge planks from Miltonvale Lumber Co. because there were four extra planks in a banded bunch. So the amount will change from \$6,166.56 to \$6,383.00 for the extra planks included. The bridge inspections are almost completed for this year. Kcamp Insurance has inspected the wrecked 2001 Kenworth Semi that is totaled and will be making a payment to the County for \$17,500 minus the \$500 deductible. This week they are planning to haul 185 tons of salt to replace in storage. The Board granted permission to spend up to \$50,000 for a used semi to replace the one that was wrecked.

Marvin VanBlaricon, EMS Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. This week the Department will be having a meeting along with Dr. Kelly to review a selection of emergency runs. This is so everyone can learn and have input on the different discussions that are held.

Renee Langvardt, Chamber of Commerce Director, met with the Board to ask permission to use the Courthouse Square for the following events.

March 31st – Easter Extravaganza

July 3rd – Independence Day

September 29th – Piotique Celebration

And the placement of Santa Claus House

The Board granted permission for the above list of events for the use of the Courthouse Square. Ms. Langvardt provided the Board with a bill and copies of the invoices for the 2017 Holiday Season Advertising campaign that the County agreed to pay \$3,000 towards out of the Economic Development Fund.

Mayor James Thatcher joined the meeting.

Mike Argo, Fairboard President, met with the Board to discuss the possibility of having a beer garden to help draw people to attend the music concert that is going to be held at the 2018 Clay County Fair. Commissioner Mayo asked Mr. Argo how they were deciding on which event at the Fair could host a beer garden so that more people would attend. Mr. Argo said that they were only going to let the concert possibility have one. Mr. Mayo asked if that was fair for the rodeo or the races. All three Commissioners had received more negative feedback than positive concerning the beer garden, so at this time they have decided not to allow a beer garden at the 2018 Clay County Fair. Mr. Argo stated that they would need to try a different approach on advertising to see if they could more people to attend the events this year.

Chuck Dunn, Sheriff, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Sheriff Dunn informed the Board that they will be sending specs out for two new replacement patrol vehicles today. The bids on two new replacement patrol vehicles will be opened at 10:30 a.m. on March 12th, 2018 in the County Commission meeting. The o-rings on the air bottles that are kept on the rescue vehicle need to be replaced. This will be an estimated cost of \$300 to get fixed. Permission was granted for this repair.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Eric A. Carlson, Chairman

Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk
March 5, 2018
Clay Center, Kansas