

April 9, 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 \$166,240.26 was reviewed and approved by the Board.

The Chairman presented a signed copy of the Lease Agreement between Clay County and Union State Bank for the 2018 Caterpillar 12M3 Motor Grader in the amount of \$200,000 at 2.74% interest for 2 years.

Ronnie Tremblay, Highway Administrator, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Personnel within the Department was discussed. Mr. Tremblay reported that he has purchased a 2012 Kenworth T800 with 268,000 miles for \$46,650 to replace the one that was totaled in an accident. Last week the Department replaced several pipes throughout the County, multiple dirt jobs, and removed trees in different locations.

Chuck Dunn, Sheriff, met with the Board to give the weekly report. The Board granted permission for Clay County Sheriff's Department to add Washington County Sheriff's Department to their radio frequency to improve the communication across County lines. The cost of adding this frequency is \$599 and the work will be done by TFMComm, Inc. Sheriff Dunn reported that Undersheriff Bogart has been awarded a vehicle temperature alarm for the K9 Unit. The one that was awarded is the basic unit and they would like to upgrade to a better alarm with a paging system with deployment. The cost of the upgrade is \$500 and will be paid out of the Sheriff's Department Benefit Fund. The Board granted permission to upgrade the temperature alarm for the K9 Unit in the amount of \$500. Sheriff Dunn also asked the Board to consider a change in the purchasing of the Law Enforcement Firearms for the Department. Currently the Officer pays for their own weapon at the time of purchase. The Department would like to change it to have the County purchase the weapon and the Officer reimburse the County through payroll until the total cost of the weapon is paid in full and then owned by the Officer. The Board stated that since the County requires the Officer to provide their own duty weapons they would agree to this change. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to adopt the change on the purchasing of Law Enforcement Firearms. The County will pay for the Firearm up front and the Officer will reimburse the County through payroll until the weapon is paid for in full. This change will also be added to the County Handbook Policy for the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Brandy Riggs, Wakefield City Councilwoman, met with the Board to inform them that the Community is making great strides to better the quality of life for the Citizens of Wakefield. The Wakefield Pride group is in the beginning phase of adding a Disc Golf course to the City of Wakefield. Disc Golf is a great family activity and a fun, fast growing, and exciting sport. Mrs. Riggs reported that they have gotten the verbal approval from the Corp of Engineers and is asking for the approval from the County since the City of Wakefield sub leases this piece of property from the County. The County granted permission to move forward with the building of the Disc Golf course. The cost of the mid-level equipment is \$5,000 with the Lions Club providing the labor to build the course. They currently have received \$2,800 in donation and was wondering if the County would be willing to make a donation towards this project. They feel that

the Clay County Park will benefit off of this activity also. After much discussion, Commissioner Mayo made the motion to donate \$1,000 from the Parks and Recreation Fund for the Disc Golf project in the City of Wakefield. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Deb Luthi, Chief Dispatcher and PSAP Coordinator, along with Lisa Ray, Sherry Coberly, Tera Barber, Krista Bowser, and Lynda Bishop, Sheriff's Department Dispatchers were present for the presentation of the Proclamation for the National 911 Telecommunicator Week April 8-14, 2018. Ms. Luthi presented the Dispatchers present with an Above and Beyond Award Certificate in recognition and appreciation for the many hours of effort and selfless that they each give to their job. Ms. Luthi stated that Clay County has a great group of Dispatchers at this time. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to adopt the Proclamation honoring National 911 Telecommunicator Week April 8-14, 2018. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Shawn Smoke, Restoration & Waterproofing Contractors, Inc., met with the Board to discuss the stone cleaning and the tuckpointing on the outside of the Courthouse. Arnie Knoettgen, County Maintenance, was also present. The Board visited with Mr. Smoke about which issues that need to be done first and he said that he would try to come up with a plan that would state the projects of repair in the order that they should be done along with the costs. The Board wants to move forward with the repairs that will keep the Courthouse in great shape. They are currently waiting on one additional proposal to be presented and then will hopefully make a decision next Monday.

The Board adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

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Eric Carlson, Chairman

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Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk  
April 16, 2018  
Clay Center, Kansas