

May 14, 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 \$533.90 were reviewed and approved by the Board.

Ronnie Tremblay, Highway Administrator, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Last week the Department bladed roads, patched holes, removed trees, hauled rip rap to a bridge on Frontier Rd., and on 4<sup>th</sup> Rd and Meadowlark they placed a pipe across the intersection to stop the water from running on the road. On 10<sup>th</sup> Rd. and just off of Valleyview Rd. there is an issue with a concrete box falling apart. There is a discrepancy with Kansas Department of Wildlife as to who is responsible for the replacement of this box. It was decided that KDWP will purchase the replacement pipe and the Highway Department will install it. Mr. Tremblay met with Keystone Pipeline to decide on a haul route for the placement of the new pumping station. The County will need to place a 45-foot pipe at 17<sup>th</sup> & Redwood Rd to make it wide enough for the trucks with large loads to make the turn. Keystone Pipeline will pay for the cost of the pipe and the placement. Keystone Pipeline would also like an estimated cost to re-rock the entire route at the end of the project. Mr. Tremblay will work up an estimate and be in contact with Keystone Pipeline. The Board asked Mr. Tremblay to get a written contract with Keystone Pipeline stating the haul route and the amount of payment that they will provide the County for repairs.

Marvin VanBlaricon, EMS Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Rocky Cramer, EMS Assistant Director, Courtney Spillman, Lucas Nunemaker, Alex Trembath, and Jacob Hudlin joined the meeting to designate the week of May 20 – 26, 2018 as Emergency Medical Services Week. Ms. Spillman read the Proclamation to the Board stating that emergency medical services is a vital public service and the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury. Commissioner Thurlow made the motion to adopt May 20 – 26, 2018 as Emergency Medical Services Week and to sign the EMS Week Proclamation. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Mr. VanBlaricon reported that the Legislature passed the 20% increase on Medicare payments to EMS Services. The Board authorized up to 10 hours of overtime hours for the bookkeeper to work on the Medicare payments received.

Danny Mesalles, County Appraiser, met with the Board to discuss the purchase of shirts with the County logo on them for the Data Collectors to wear to help identify that they are an employee of the Appraiser's Office. The Board thought that the shirts would be a good idea. Mr. Mesalles reported that they would be certifying Personal Property values soon so that values can be set for budgets.

Rhonda Carroll, Landfill Director, met with the Board to give a report on the damage to the building that was caused when an individual was backing into the recycling center and backed into a steel beam. The Board instructed Ms. Carroll to get an estimate on the cost to make the repairs. Permission was granted for the Landfill to close on Saturday May 26<sup>th</sup> to observe Memorial Day.

Commissioner Mayo made the motion to allow up to \$2,100 for a replacement awning located at the Clay County Economic Development Office. This is to be paid out of the Economic Development Fund. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Chuck Dunn, Sheriff, met with Board to give the weekly report. Sheriff Dunn gave a report on prisoner count and an estimated time that they are to receive the two new replacement patrol vehicles.

Abatements 2017A58 thru 2017A63 in the amount of \$130.48 were reviewed and approved by the Board.

Rick James, County Attorney, provided the Board with information about participating in litigation against drug manufacturers and distributors for creating a national crisis of opioid addiction. The Board agreed to participate in this litigation concerning opioid addiction.

The Board adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

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Eric Carlson, Chairman

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Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk  
May 21, 2018  
Clay Center, Kansas