

June 25, 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.

Doug McKinney, North Central Regional Planning Commission, stopped in to visit with the Board. Mr. McKinney informed the Board that the NCRPC Annual Banquet will be held in Clay County this year. The North Central Kansas Food Council has made a Community Food Survey and would like as many people to complete it as possible in the 12 County area. There are paper surveys available or you can also go online at <https://surveymonkey.com/r/NCKFCSurvey> to participate in the survey.

Ronnie Tremblay, Highway Administrator, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Rick James, County Attorney and Malanie Schulze were also present. Mr. James introduced Ms. Schulze and informed the Board that she had some concerns about a road issue located at 30th Rd. and Osage Rd. There are hills on both sides of this intersection and when you are meeting someone at the top there is not room to get over because of dirt ledges on each side. It is so dangerous because semis, tractors, farm equipment, and even the grader when they are going over the hills, they are in the middle of the road. Also, speed is an issue. Vehicles fly down 30th Rd. and someone is going to get killed. After discussing with Mr. Tremblay what he thought the County could do to help this matter, the Board instructed him to contact Kenny Blair, Cook, Flatt, Strobel to have him look at this issue and make a recommendation on how to correct the road and an estimated cost. Commissioner Carlson stated that we have a lot of the same issues throughout the County and if we start to fix one we will have several more to consider. Last week the Department hauled rip rap to a bridge, trimmed trees, and helped the city lay asphalt in exchange for using the City's packer. Mr. Tremblay stated that it would be an estimated cost of \$10,000 to fix the steel wheeled packer or it would cost \$5,500 per month to rent one. The County ended up with 12,051 tons of asphalt mixed and 800 tons of that goes to the City of Clay Center.

Darlene Rosiska appeared before the Board to express her concerns about some items that she had purchased from an outside firm. Ms. Rosiska was going to proceed on to the Law Enforcement Center after the meeting.

The Board approved overtime hours in the County Clerk's Office for the August Primary and the November General Elections.

A letter from the City of Wakefield was received asking permission to utilize the water's edge on the southeast section of the Clay County Park for the annual 4th of July Fireworks celebration. The Board granted permission for this request.

Marvin VanBlaricon, EMS Director and Rocky Cramer, Assistant Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Mr. VanBlaricon presented the EMS 2019 proposed budget to the Board. The budget was left for review. Mr. Cramer gave a report on two different ways that they could update the 1905 unit in the 2019 budget year. (1.) They could get a new Chassis and place the current box off of 1905 that would be refurbished and have an E350 for \$130,000 (2.) They could purchase a new Chassis and a used

box that would be larger and refurbished E450 from Osage Ambulance for \$120,000 and it would be performance load compatibility. Mr. VanBlaricon made the recommendation to leave the \$150,000 in the Capital Outlay request for the 2019 budget so that they would be able to make a decision on the 1905 unit. Commissioner Thurlow made the motion to accept the written pre-employment requirements from Dickinson County EMS on Curtis Osland so that he can work PRN in Clay County. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The Board instructed Mr. VanBlaricon to continue the Physical Performance Exam that is currently a policy for pre-employment for the EMS Department.

Dana Rickley, County Health Administrator, met with the Board to present the 2019 proposed budget request. Ms. Rickley made a couple of changes to the proposed budgets and feels that the Health Department will keep the one County vehicle that they currently have until it is done and then they will not purchase another County car. It works better to just pay mileage for the three employees that work out in the County instead of the expenses of a County vehicle. The proposed budget was left for review.

Susan Mall, Register of Deeds, met with the Board to present the 2019 proposed budget request. The budget was left for review. Ms. Mall asked that they go into Executive Session. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to go into Executive Session under the Personnel Exception of non-elected personnel for 15 minutes beginning at 10:15 a.m. with Susan Mall, Register of Deeds, Commissioner Carlson, Commissioner Mayo, Commissioner Thurlow, and Kayla Wang, County Clerk present. The subject to be discussed is Personnel. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The regular meeting reconvened at 10:30 a.m. with no action being taken during the session. The Board is allowing the part time temporary scanning person to become a part time administrative assistant until a permanent part time employee can be hired. The Board instructed Ms. Mall to run her employment ad in the local newspaper.

Chuck Dunn, Sheriff, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Sheriff Dunn presented the 2019 proposed budget for the Sheriff's Department. It was left with the Board for review. Sheriff Dunn reported that the quote that was reviewed last week concerning the purchase of tasers covers all of the cartridges, batteries and warranty coverage for 5 years. The total cost for 7 tasers with 5 years of warranty coverage is \$14,013.00. This cost will be paid over a 5 year period of 5 payments. The first initial payment for the first year will be \$2,953 with the remaining four years being \$2,765 each. Commissioner Thurlow made the motion to purchase the 7 tasers with the 5 year warranty to be paid for over a 5 year period. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The windshield on the Crown Victoria is cracked and needs to be replaced. The Board instructed Sheriff Dunn to get bids and to go with the lowest bid, and to report the bids at the next Monday's meeting. Arnie Knoettgen, County Maintenance, joined the meeting to discuss the front office in the Law Enforcement Center that has never had any heating or air conditioning supplied to it and it really needs to have this service for this office is used by the Undersheriff and the Sheriff's Officers. The Board instructed Mr. Knoettgen to contact Carlson Heating and Air to find out what our options are and the cost that it would be to supply those services to that office and to report back to the Board next week.

Arnie Knoettgen, County Maintenance, met with the Board to discuss the different types of numbers and hands that are available for the tower clock. The Board agreed to stay as close to the type that is currently on the clock face.

Jeff Gaiser, Clay County Museum, met with the Board to present the 2019 funding request. Mr. Gaiser stated that the request will be left the same as the funding in 2018. This has been a busy year for the Museum with more visitors than usual and they have had a lot of people just stop by since the Museum has moved down town and is easy to find. They are continuing to work on displays and to log and inventory every item that is brought into the building for future references.

The Board adjourned at 12:28 p.m.

Eric A. Carlson, Chairman

Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk
July 2, 2018
Clay Center, Kansas