

September 17, 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.

Abatement 2017A66 in the amount of \$39.00 was reviewed and approved by the Board.

Eric Davis asked the Board if they could use the Westside of the Courthouse Square for Cruise Night on Friday September 28, 2018. The Board granted permission for this event.

Ronnie Tremblay, Highway Administrator, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Last week the Department worked on hauling rock, grading roads, mowing roadsides, and patching blacktop roads. The rains that we recently have had have caused a lot of damage to roads where the water has ran across and caused deep ruts. The graders are out trying to grade all roads to get them ready for harvest.

Marvin VanBlaricon, EMS Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Bids were taken on the replacement of one tire that needs to be replaced. The bids were opened as follows:

Kansasland Tire - \$160.24

Glavan Ford of Clay Center - \$262.25

Five Creek Automotive - \$287.30

After reviewing the bids, Commissioner Thurlow made the motion to purchase one tire from Kansasland Tire in the amount of \$160.24. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Stryker Unit was out and inspected and serviced all 4 power cots for an estimated cost of \$1,000.

Lori Huber, Economic Development Director, met with the Board to give the quarterly report. Ms. Huber reported that Network Kansas has redesigned their community support funding. We will only receive \$2,000 from them to use for our entrepreneur programs. We will still have access to up to \$15,000 to support their approved programs, Young Entrepreneur Challenge and maybe Ice House Entrepreneurial Training. They are considering changing the Young Entrepreneur Challenge to a fall event instead of spring. It has tentatively been set for December 6, 2018 along with the Rotary meeting. The cooperative ad that was marketed has been completed and will be placed in the Kansas Travel Guide. This ad was paid by one half Clay County Travel & Tourism and one half from Businesses in Clay County. The Clay County Action Network Group has received initial designs for wayfinding and streetscaping signage. There will be a public meeting on November 1st, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the museum to gather the public's input. Ms. Huber has been working with USD 379 and Rotary Club to redesign Career Day. The Chairman of the Board of Commissioners signed the 2018-2019 Agreement between Clay County and Clay County Economic Development Group. The County will contribute the same amount funds of \$60,000 as they did in the 2017-2018 year.

Pam Kemp, Emergency Manager, met with the Board to report that she is filling in as the Emergency Manager for Ottawa County. The Ottawa County Emergency Manager has been deployed to North Carolina to help with the damage caused by hurricane Florence.

Christine Swaim, County Treasurer, and Rick James, County Attorney, met with the Board to discuss an issue that they have had with properties that will be listed on the delinquent tax sale. Ms. Swaim reported that certain parcels are listed on the tax sale because the taxpayers have not continued to make their payments on the plan that they agreed to and signed. Ms. Swaim feels that the County has given individuals several chances to make the payments and to help catch their payments up. Mr. James stated that he feels that Ms. Swaim has done a good job in offering the payment plans and taking payments to help individuals with their taxes. The Board agreed and will not reinstate payment plans that are delinquent on payment. The bids for the abstract work on the parcels that will be on the next tax sale were opened as follows: Republican Valley Title, LLC - \$130 per parcel

Clay County Abstract and Title Co. - \$130 per parcel

Since both of the bids came in at the same amount per parcel, both names were put into a drawing and Clay County Abstract and Title Co. was the one drawn out and will be awarded the bid at the price of \$130 per parcel.

Chuck Dunn, Sheriff, met with the Board to give the weekly report. The jail count and the cost of housing were reviewed. Commissioner Carlson asked how the two new Ford Explorers were working and if there were any issues. Sheriff Dunn stated that the new Explorers were working out good and that the Deputies were pleased with them. The timeline for the purchase of two replacement patrol vehicles for the 2019 budget year were reviewed.

Kayla Wang, County Clerk, met with the Board to discuss the contract on the postage machine that will expire at the end of October. Currently the County is in contract with Neopost through Midwest Single Source in Wichita, Kansas. The new proposed contract with the State of Kansas pricing will be \$190.66 per month for 60 months. Commissioner Thurlow made the motion to sign the new contract with Neopost through Midwest Single Source in the amount of \$190.66 per month for 60 months. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Rhonda Carroll, Landfill Director, met with the Board to present the contract with Ebert Construction Co. Inc. for the construction of a 1.5+acre municipal solid waste leachate storage and evaporation pond that will be located at the Clay County Landfill. Chairman Carlson signed the contract between Clay County, Kansas and Ebert Construction Co. Inc.

The Board adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Eric A. Carlson, Chairman

Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk
September 24, 2018
Clay Center, Kansas

