

October 15, 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 \$30,185.35 were reviewed and approved.

Ronnie Tremblay, Highway Administrator, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Last week the Department mainly graded roads and hauled rock. The grader operators worked late on Wednesday and Thursday blading road to repair them from all of the moisture that has been received. The Board reviewed the Proposal from Norfolk Contracting, Inc. and Husker Steel on the replacement of the bridge on 17th Rd. Norfolk Contracting quoted the labor in the amount of \$18,900 and Husker Steel quoted Engineer stamped plans for the superstructure and materials in the amount of \$141,466. For a total cost of \$160,366 for the bridge replacement. The County will be responsible for the excavation at the abutments, furnishing the concrete (approximately 47 yards), backfill and final grading, furnishing and maintaining barricades, and removal of scrap from the job site. Mr. Tremblay is estimating between \$5,000 - \$7,000 for the concrete that will be needed. Commissioner Thurlow made the motion to sign the contacts and accept the proposal from Norfolk Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$18,900 and from Husker Steel in the amount of \$141,466 with Clay County paying for the concrete and the items that they are responsible for. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Marvin VanBlaricon, EMS Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Mr. VanBlaricon reported that the new ambulance Medic 4 is completed and has been placed in service. The meeting that they attended at CCMC concerning transfers went well. This meeting involved the KU Collaboration Center concerning 30 Emergency Services from Lawrence to Garden City. Clay County is ranked in the top 5 Services on the transfers made and how they were handled.

Lori Huber, Economic Development Director, met with the Board to discuss the billboard located just south of the intersection east of Riley on Highway #77 that Clay County once used to advertise on. Ms. Huber reported that the Travel & Tourism Committee was interested in using this billboard again and were requesting permission to use funds from the Travel & Tourism Fund for this expense. The Committee was asking what the maximum amount would be for the Commission to approve for rent of the sign per month and they were thinking of having 4 different wraps to use. One for each season with different items advertising Clay County. The property and the sign are now owned by Jordy Nelson and Ms. Huber stated that they needed to know the amount that the Board would approve for they are meeting with the Nelson's later this week. All three Board members were in agreement that they thought there was better ways to spend the funds on advertising for Clay County. No action was taken at this time.

Whitney Baer, Noxious Weed Director, met with the Board to present quotes on the replacement of a furnace located at the Landfill. The quotes were as follows:

Griggs Electric – 80% efficient - \$1,738.25
Carlson Heating & Air – 80% efficient - \$1,214.55
95% efficient - \$2,354.12

After reviewing the quotes presented, Commissioner Thurlow made the motion to accept the quote from Carlson Heating & Air for a new furnace that is 95% efficient in the amount of \$2,354.12. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Ms. Baer passed out the new law that is in effect for Noxious Weed control and eradication. Commissioner Carlson asked about the kind of chemicals being used to spray the ditches because of some crop damage that has been reported to the Board, and discussed changing the timeline that is currently being used. Commissioner Carlson feels like they need to get out and start spraying earlier in the spring so that they can cover more area and also spray trees that are growing in the ditches.

Chuck Dunn, Sheriff, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Sheriff Dunn reported that the Prisoner count has been staying pretty steady in numbers.

Kayla Wang, County Clerk, met with the Board to discuss the purchase of two laptops for the County Clerk's Office. This will replace two desk top computers that are several years old. Ms. Wang explained that when purchasing the Microsoft Surface Pro Tablets that you get a price break if you order 5 or more. The quote presented from Network's Plus includes two Tablets for the County Clerk's Office and four Tablets for the Sheriff's Office at a cost of \$2,097.02 each for a total of \$12,582.12. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to purchase a total of six Microsoft Surface Pro Tablets from Network's Plus in the amount of \$12,582.12 to be paid for out of various funds. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The Board approved overtime hours for the County Clerk's Office through the November General Election.

The Board approved the final payment for the clock repairs in the amount of \$24,480 to Smith's Bell and Clock Service Inc.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Eric A. Carlson, Chairman

Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk
October 22, 2018
Clay Center, Kansas