

November 13, 2018

The Board of Commissioners served as the Board of Canvassers for the November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 General Election starting at 7:00 a.m. Shelby Crimmins, Bailey Roberts, and Rhonda Carney served as the Provisional Board for the Election. No one was in attendance for the Canvass. The Board of Canvassers worked and reviewed 57 Provisional Ballots. Of those 43 were counted. Kayla Wang, County Clerk reviewed all of the totals in all races with the Board. The Provisional Board processed the 43 ballots and ran totals for Official Final report. The Board adjourned from the Canvass at 8:00 a.m.

Commissioner Carlson, Commissioner Mayo, and Commissioner Thurlow were present at a regular meeting beginning at 8:05 a.m. Minutes were approved as printed.

Commissioner Mayo reported that Laura Schwartz and Dee Dee Anderson had been in to see him and wanted to know if they would be able to receive the additional funds that they did not spend in 2017 on the Christmas Trees on the Square. On the July 16, 2018 minutes the Board made a motion for funding not to exceed \$500 for the making of decorations. After much discussion, Commissioner Mayo made the motion to donate an additional \$300 out of the Parks & Recreation Fund to Laura Schwartz and Dee Dee Anderson for the Christmas Tree Display on the Square. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Ronnie Tremblay, Highway Administrator, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Jeff Lee, APAC, was present for the opening of the asphalt bids. This job will be for the spring or summer of 2019. The bids consist of a leveling pass layer of asphalt to fill wheel ruts and low spots and then a 1" layer of hot mix asphalt on 9.4 miles of the Broughton Rd were opened as follow:

APAC Salina – \$596,073.50  
Shilling Construction Co. - \$607,160.00  
Hall Brothers, Inc. - \$1,057,698.00  
Bayer Construction Co. Inc. - \$1,070,880.00

After reviewing all of the bids, Commissioner Mayo made a motion to accept the bid from APAC Salina in the amount of \$596,073.50 for the laying of 9.4 miles of asphalt on the Broughton Rd. in the spring or summer of 2019. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Last week the Highway Department worked on replacing guardrail in the southeast part of the County and hauled rock to several locations. Rhonda Carroll joined the meeting to discuss the hauling of the debris from the bowling alley. Originally Davis Construction was cutting out the iron and hauling the clean concrete to the asphalt mixing location and the County Highway Department would use it from there. Ms. Carroll stated that one of the truck drivers told them that they were instructed by the manager at the demolition site that cutting out the iron was taking too long and that they were to haul the rest of the rubble to the C & D pit. If hauled to the C & D the trucks have to cross the scales and the cost is \$37 per ton. Ms. Carroll questioned this several times because if they cleaned the iron out and hauled it for the Highway Department it was free to dump. When demolition was completed the Landfill sent Davis Construction a bill for \$24,000. The Board visited with a representative of Davis Construction by phone. The representative was wanting to know if they could now come and cut the iron out and haul it to the free dumpsite or if the County would remove part of the cost. They stated that the manager should never have made that kind of a decision when they were paid \$30,000 for demolition and then billed \$24,000 for the cost of getting rid of the rubble. Commissioner Carlson stated that he didn't feel that the

County should have to absorb the cost of the Construction Company's error. They already had received a discount when they hauled tons of clean rubble to the asphalt mixing location for no cost. The Board decided that the bill will remain as it was sent out to Davis Construction.

Marvin VanBlaricon, EMS Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Emergency Unit 1903 will be taken to Glavan Ford for repairs. The Clay County EMS have been awarded an EIG Grant from the Kansas Board of Emergency Medical Services in the amount of \$6,900 to put towards training.

Pam Kemp, Emergency Manager, met with the Board to give an update on the Department. The Board signed an Event Approval for a meeting in Topeka, Kansas. Ms. Kemp reported that more Counties are becoming aware of the availability of the first dedicated mobile network for first responders named FirstNet. Counties need to thoroughly evaluate the details of their communications before signing on with this network through AT&T. Signage for the Emergency Management vehicle will be purchased from Katalyst and Grafix, Manhattan, in the amount of \$375.

Rick James, County Attorney, met with the Board to discuss the County's Sick Leave Policy. Mr. James will return next week with more information on handling of a situation concerning the misuse of benefits.

Chuck Dunn, Sheriff, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Sheriff Dunn reported to the Board that the Sheriff's Department would like to purchase a body shield. Commissioner Thurlow made the motion to allow up to \$1,000 to purchase a body shield for the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Permission was granted to run an employment ad to fill a full time Jailer position. The Board signed an Event Approval for two employees to attend a meeting in Newton, Kansas. Sheriff Dunn asked to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to go into Executive Session under the Personnel Exception of non-elected personnel for 10 minutes beginning at 11:02 a.m. with Commissioner Carlson, Commissioner Mayo, Commissioner Thurlow, Sheriff Dunn, 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 11:12 a.m. with no action being taken during the session.

Danny Mesalles, County Appraiser, met with the Board to present the contract with Kimble Mapping, Inc. Clay County has been with Kimble Mapping for 9 years and this is the first time that we have seen an increase in the contract. The total fee for the services to be performed in the agreement for the years 2019 and 2020 will be \$24,000. Commissioner Mayo made the motion to sign the renewal contract with Kimble Mapping, Inc. in the amount of \$24,000 for two years of service. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

LewAnn Schneider, met with the Board to give the Post Event Evaluation Presentation on the 2018 BPW/Clay Center Car Show. Ms. Schneider reported that they had 120 vehicle registrations but with the rainy weather they had 102 vehicles on site. The Organization was still very pleased with the turnout that they had. The money that is made off of this event goes towards educational scholarships. In 2018, BPW gave out ten \$500 scholarships. Five recipients were to High School Students and five were to

Continuing Education students. Ms. Schneider thanked the Board for the \$300 that was donated by the County. The donation was greatly appreciated.

Arnie Knoettgen, County Maintenance, met with the Board to discuss the electricity that is being provide to the Christmas Trees on the Courthouse Square. The Board stated that there are to be no electrical cords crossing any sidewalks. The Board reviewed a list of repairs that need to be completed at County Health with Mr. Knoettgen.

Bruce Werner met with the Board to express his concerns about the 2018 taxes and the conditions of the gravel road by his residence. The Board stated that with all the moisture that we have received, it has caused a lot of damage to the gravel roads throughout the County. Mr. Werner stated that he feels there needs to be more rock put on the roads.

The Board adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

---

Eric A. Carlson, Chairman

---

Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk  
November 19, 2018  
Clay Center, Kansas