

June 14, 2021

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. Payroll in the amount of \$190,229.22 was reviewed and approved by the Board.

Joel Mason, County Attorney, met with the Board to discuss County Business. Mr. Mason discussed the membership dues in the amount of \$350 for the Kansas County & District Attorneys Association, and Kansas Prosecutor Training & Assistance Institute. Mr. Mason stated that he feels that it would be beneficial to him for training that is provided by this membership. The Board granted permission to pay the \$350 for membership dues.

Alan Benninga, Sheriff and Joel Mason, County Attorney, met with the Board to wait for a phone call from a concerned person that called last week and wanted to talk to the Board of Commissioners. No phone call was received.

Rocky Cramer, EMS Director, met with the Board to give the weekly report. Mr. Cramer stated that they are still having issues with Medic 3 with the def system. Medic 5 was on an emergency transfer to Topeka when on Interstate 70 a tire came off of a truck that was passing the unit and flew up and damaged the ambulance box. The quotes for repair are as follows:

Perfection Auto Body, Inc. - \$1,812.98

Wilder Auto Body, Inc. - \$1,454.70

After reviewing both quotes, Commissioner Mayo made the motion to accept the quote from Wilder Auto Body, Inc. to do the repairs on Medic 5 in the amount of \$1,454.70. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Cramer reported that he is getting prices on new 800 MHz radios and replacement batteries for the current radios. The Board granted permission to purchase a replacement battery backup from Central Office Service & Supply for one of the computers at EMS.

Pam Kemp, Emergency Manager, and Dana Rickley, County Health Director, met with the Board to give an update on the COVID-19 pandemic. Ms. Rickley reported that Clay County currently has zero positive cases of COVID-19. Last week, County Health administered 32 vaccine shots and have approximately 30 more this week scheduled. County Health has plenty of vaccine on hand if others would like to get the shot. The County Health Fair is currently going on and there will be many labs pulled this week. Ms. Rickley would like to purchase a new Lab Chair for the Health Department. The quotes for the chair are as follows:

McKesson Medical – Surgical - \$759.45- Free Shipping – 700 lb. Capacity

Universal Medical - \$760.00 + \$343.57 Shipping – 400 lb. Capacity

Commissioner Mayo made the motion to purchase the new Lab Chair from McKesson Medical for \$759.45. Commissioner Thurlow seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Ms. Rickley also stated that they are needing to replace the Pharmacy Freezer that they currently have. Whichever one that the County chooses, KDHE will pay for 50% of it. The quotes are as follows:

Migali Scientific Evolution Series – 4.2 Cubic Ft. - \$2,791.60/\$1,395.80 – 50% our share

Summit Vaccine Freezer – 3.2 Cubic Ft. -\$2,683.00 /\$1,341.50 – 50% our share

Accucold All Freezer – 1.8 Cubic Ft. - \$1,012.00/\$506 – 50% our share

After reviewing the quotes, Ms. Rickley made the recommendation to purchase the larger 4.2 cubic ft. freezer for the Health Department. Commissioner Thurlow made the motion to purchase the Migali Evolution Series Vaccine freezer in the amount of \$1,395.50. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Ms. Kemp reported that the State Emergency Declaration will expire on Tuesday and KDHE currently does not have a plan in place as to what they will do. Kansas Board of Education provided a grant with American Recovery funds for School Districts to apply for. There were 34 Districts that received funds and USD 379 was one of the recipients. Ms. Kemp attended a webinar on the Flood Plain and the Lower Republican Watershed. This organization will be working with the City of Morganville to update the Flood Plain Maps. Ms. Kemp asked the Board to consider upgrading our GIS mapping within County. Some of the recovery money could be used for this project. There is so much more layers and information available with GIS then we currently are using. We are not maximizing our mapping system that is available. Ms. Kemp reported that the Clay Center Presbyterian Manor held a table top exercise that was very organized and went well. Ms. Kemp stated that the vacuum sweeper at ESA needs to be replaced. She has a quote for two different sweepers from Danny's Fix It Shop as follows:

Titan Vacuum Sweeper TL6000 - \$280

Titan Vacuum Sweeper TL4000 - \$295

The Board instructed Ms. Kemp to go and look at them both and they would grant up to \$300 for the purchase of a new vacuum sweeper.

Jeff Gaiser, Clay County Museum, Kerri Speilman, Museum Board President, Jim Beck, Board Secretary, Deborah Hammond, Board Member, Marlin Mugler, Board Member, and Grace Linder, KSU Intern met with the Board to present the proposed 2022 budget funding request. Ms. Speilman explained the increase in funds that they are requesting. Everything is costing more and paid positions have not had an increase in salary for over four years. Ms. Hammond stated that she had no idea what it cost to run a museum until she was asked to serve on the Board. The hours that the volunteers donate are huge. It takes a passion for history to run the museum. Mr. Beck reported that exhibits and re-enactments are very costly to get here but it does bring people into the museum. The 2022 budget funding request was left with the Board for review.

Mike Blaske, Architect, met with the Board to discuss the modification project in the District Court Office to install bullet proof glass for security reasons and to possibly remove the drop ceiling and restore back to the original. The Board asked Mr. Blaske if he would look at the Office and come up with some ideas as to what they could do to make this project happens. Mr. Blaske stated that he gets \$70 per hour, but he would be fair and would draft some drawings for the Board to review. They would then present them to DaLanna Nichols, District Court Administrator, for approval. The Board also asked Mr. Blaske if he had any ideas on what they could do to help with the acoustics in the Courtroom. Mr. Blaske stated that he would be willing to look at the sound in the Courtroom also. The Board agreed to move forward with Mr. Blaske on this project. Mr. Blaske will return with his drawing ideas and estimated costs to see if they want to proceed with the project.

Jerry Orr, J & J Sales, met with the Board to discuss window coverings for the upper moon shaped windows to help with the echoing and sound in the Courtroom. Mr. Orr bought in a sample shade that would be like the one that he would recommend for this. Three of the windows that are located on the east would need to have blackout shade behind the front shade to keep the sun from shining in the

Courtroom. All of these shades would have solar powered remote controls to raise and lower the shades. There would be 7 windows that they would need to deal with but they would need 10 shades. The cost would be between \$7,500 and \$8,500 to do this project. The Board stated that they like the idea of the shades but would like to wait to see what Mr. Blaske come up with after looking into the acoustics in the Courtroom. The Board will get back with Mr. Orr at a later date.

The Board adjourned 12:40 p.m.

Eric A. Carlson, Chairman

Attest: Kayla Wang, County Clerk
June 21, 2021
Clay Center, Kansas