

August 28, 2023

Commissioner Thurlow, Commissioner Carlson, and Commissioner Mayo were all present at a regular meeting beginning at 8:00 a.m. The minutes were approved as printed.

The Board approved a bill from Spangenberg Phillips Tice, LLC Architecture in the amount of \$234.00. This is for the construction administration of the new Clay County Event Center.

Event approvals for 2 employees within the District Court were approved and signed by the Board. One is to be held in Manhattan on October 4 through October 6 and the other is to be held in Mayetta from October 18 through October 20.

Joel Mason, County Attorney, met with the Board to discuss County business. The Board asked for clarification on employee benefits and a brief discussion took place.

Bobby Shomper, Highway Administrator, met with the Board to give his weekly update. Mr. Shomper reported that even though it was a hot week his department kept busy with blading dirt roads, mowing, trimming trees in Longford. They also hauled off metal from 26th & Limestone. Mr. Shomper also asked for approval for an employee of his department that has not been here a year to use 1 day of vacation. Approval was granted. The Board and Mr. Shomper also discussed trouble he had with a tire on one of the new pickups.

Alec Trembath, EMS Director met with the Board and informed them that they are at 585 runs for the year. He also stated that they have filled the fulltime position. Mr. Trembath informed the Board that he has been in contact with USD 379 and they will be setting up training. Mr. Trembath also stated that they are working on getting prices for new beds at the EMS Department.

Pam Kemp, Emergency Manager, met with the Board to discuss training that she had attended on Cybersecurity. She also gave the Board a handout on the new AI policy that the Governor issued. Ms. Kemp also discussed different zoning policies and options.

Dana Rickley, County Health Administrator, met with the Board to give her weekly update. Ms. Rickley informed the board that she is still waiting to hear back on a few grants that she has applied for. She also stated that the Health Department is fully stocked on all of their vaccines.

Alan Benninga, Sheriff, met with the Board to give his weekly report. Mr. Benninga discussed personnel and informed the Board that he has a dispatcher that is leaving.

Rhonda Carroll, Landfill Director, met with the Board to present Propane bids for 4,000 gallons. They are as follows:

Propane Central	\$1.499/gal
Sapp Bros	\$1.29/gal
Hoover's	\$1.29/gal

After a brief discussion it was decided to flip a coin due to the tie in price per gal between Sapp Bros and Hoover's. It was decided that Hoover's would be heads and Sapp Bros would be tails. The coin was flipped and it landed heads up. Commissioner Carlson made the motion to accept the bid for 4,000

gallons of propane from Hoover's in the amount of \$1.29 per gal due to the flip of the coin. Commissioner Mayo seconded and the motion passes unanimously. Ms. Carroll also discussed the water sampling at the landfill. She also informed the Board that she has another load of Ewaste going out this week.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

David M. Thurlow, Chairman

Attest: Shelby Crimmins, Deputy County Clerk
September 5, 2023
Clay Center, Kansas