Regular session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 5, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Johnita Crawford, Members Gary Caspers and Bill Garrison, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Others attending were: Gail Engle; Larry Uri, Interim Concordia City Manager; Carl Eyman, KWORCC; John Denney, County Auditor.

Larry Uri, Interim Concordia City Manager discussed the Highway Transportation legislative meeting to be held in Topeka on Thursday, January 8th.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed various items with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved an adjustment to the County Clerk’s extra pay for election duties. Retroactive to 2008, the Clerk shall receive $5250 per year, plus a year end adjustment to bring the extra duty pay in compliance with the County Treasurers. The adjustment is to make the County Clerk and County Treasurers extra duty pay equal, as was done yearly prior to 2005.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the December 29th meeting as presented.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented Resolution # 01-2009 to place stop signs in the SW Corner Section 18-7-2 and NE Corner 24-7-3, which is the intersection of Iron Road and 180th Road. On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Resolution.

Asch presented a classification change for Richard Walker from Construction Laborer to Heavy Equipment Operator, at a 6 month introductory wage of $12.08, effective January 5, 2009. The change is due to an opening within the department due to employees retiring. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

Asch discussed the job descriptions for Construction Laborer; Heavy Equipment Operators; and Truck Drivers.
On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2009 Employment with Andy Asch, as County Highway Administrator/Weed Director with a base wage of $39,064.06 plus an additional $13,300.00 for Weed Director duties.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Cereal Malt Beverage license for Travis Taylor DBA The Rock Quarry.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2009 Employment Agreement with Jim Johnson, as Maintenance Manager at a rate of $15.71 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2009 Contract with Pawnee Mental Health.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2008-00079 to #2008-00080 totaling $14.72.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #02-2009 designating the Blade Empire as the Official County Newspaper for 2009.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board adopted Resolution # 03-2009 designating county depositories. Central National Bank, is designated the depository for the County Clerk and Sheriff. Citizens National Bank was designated depository for the County Attorney and United Bank and Trust for the Register of Deeds. All banks in the County were designated as depositories for the County Treasurer.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 04-2009 for the Waiver of General Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators presented the contract with Justin M. Poore, D.O. as County Health Officer for 2009, at a rate of $252.00 per month. On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the contract.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the contract with Doug Funk as Pharmacist for the Cloud County Health Department, at a rate of $35.00 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Dietary Consultant Services Agreement with Christine
Rogers for Dietician services for the WIC Program, to run from December 22, 2008 through December 31, 2009, at a rate of $45.00 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Garrison, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Employment Agreement with Diane McNichols as Co-Health Administrator with a base wage of $32,838.00, plus an additional $5,000 for Co-Health Administrator duties.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the Employment Agreement with Diana Gering as Co-Health Administrator with a base wage of $33,150.00, plus an additional $5,000 for Co-Health Administrator duties.

Gering discussed the site visit by KDHE for the Immunization Program and the installation of a phone jack in order for the department answering machine to be installed and work properly. The Board asked her to get bids for the installation of the phone jack and necessary wiring.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented a personnel classification change for Randy Sorell from Resource/Surveillance Officer to Community Resource Officer, due to a change in job duties, with a wage change from $14.00 per hour to $15.00 per hour, to be paid from grant funds and to be effective January 5, 2009. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Garrison, unanimous vote the Board approved the change in classification for Randy Sorell.

Carl Eyman with KWORCC presented the Commissioners with a 1st Place KWORCC Award for Exceptional Loss Ration in 2007. Eyman presented information on Cloud County’s work compensation statistics.

John Denney, County Auditor visited with the Board concerning accounting procedures for county operations.

The Board adjourned at 12:20 p.m., until Monday, January 12, 2009. The Board will host a reception from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. today honoring Larry Bergstrom, Sheriff; Donnie Kearn, Undersheriff; Bill Garrison, Commissioner; Jim Workman and Dan Fraser, Road and Bridge employees for their years of service to Cloud County.
Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; LeaDawn Throckmorton; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Todd Whitney, Extension Agent.

Others attending were:

County elected officials were sworn in by Magistrate Judge Steier at 8:00 a.m.

The Board approved the department payrolls totaling $119,523.68.

At 9:00 a.m. the Board conducted their re-organization. Commissioner Engle nominated Commissioner Caspers to serve as Chairman of the Board for 2009, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed various items with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the following Committee appointments for 2009:

Commissioner Crawford: Regional Planning Commission
CloudCorp Board
JJA/Community Corrections Advisory Board
Convention and Tourism Board (Ex-officio member)
Juvenile Detention Committee

Commissioner Caspers: NCK Regional Homeland Security Council
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
Tobacco Coalition Advisory Board

Commissioner Engle: Rural Lakes Local Environmental Protection Program (LEPP)
Community Resource Council
Chemical Dependency Committee
Solomon Valley E-Waste Coalition (alternate representative)

All Commissioners will serve on the following:
Solid Waste Committee
Health Advisory Board
Sanitary Code Committee
The Board also designated the County Clerk as Freedom of Information Officer; Roger Warren, M.D. as District Coroner; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager as the ADA/Safety Coordinator.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are cutting trees; crushing and screening rock at the Aurora pit; completing the annual Noxious Weed report for the State; and will be filling the mechanic, grader operator and construction laborer positions.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2008-00081 to #2008-00083 totaling $133.40.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Robert Smith as Lyon Township Treasurer. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of Kurtis Kocher as Lyon Township Treasurer.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Retta Waite and Marge Higgins as secretaries’ at the Sheriff’s Department, effective January 9, 2009.

The Board conducted their monthly department head meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported routine business.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported they have collected first half taxes Real Estate and Personal Property taxes and those funds will be distributed this week. She will be sending out delinquent Personal Property tax notices before the end of the month.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court reported the state has implemented a hiring freeze until July 1st; the Judicial Budget will be cut by 1 ½%; funding for the Senior Judge program has been cut; and there are 3 new County Attorney’s in the District.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported they had 23 parcels that had the taxes paid under protest and they have received their new ag values.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he had 2 employees retire and 1 resign.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported he is working on the year-end tonnage reports and because of the amount of recyclables that were shipped we saved shipping 16 loads to Topeka; because of the weather the NCK Vo-Tech students are unable to complete the on the Construction/Demolition Pit.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported they will start using voice-mail rather than trying to get their answering machine to work properly. Gering reported the AED policy has been written and they will be presenting it to the Commission for approval in
the near future. Vonda Pumarlo is in Manhattan completing the CPR & AED Certification classes and she will be offering classes to county employees in the near future.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator reported that on the recommendation of KDHE they should replace the refrigerator that is used for the immunization program. KDHE provided the funds for the purchase of the new refrigerator and sealed bids are being accepted for the refrigerator they are currently using. Bids will be accepted in the County Clerk’s office until 4:30 on Friday, January 16th and bids will be opened at the Commission meeting on Monday, January 19th at 10:45 a.m.

McNichols reported they are working on their grant applications which are due January 15th; the Health Dept. served 5100 people during the last 6 months of 2008; and they are conducting interviews for the Youth Coordinator interviews.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent reported the Extension District will be conducting a Weed School on January 29th, to be held Cloud County Community College.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are doing year end business; starting to get ready for the City/School Election. The filing deadline for the City/School General Election is 12:00 noon on Tuesday, January 27th.

The Department Head meeting ended at 10:30 a.m. and the Board resumed open session at 10:40 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they had shipped a load of clothes and shoes Friday and they are baling plastic at the Recycling Center.

Murdock is asking that anyone bringing their fireplace ashes to the Transfer Station, for disposal, to be sure they are cold and to please stop at the office and ask where they are to be deposited.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved 2009 Employment Agreement with Justin Murdock as Solid Waste Director at an hourly rate of $16.85 per hour.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m., until Monday, January 19, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JANUARY 19, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 19, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the
Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator.

Others attending were: Raymond Kindel; James Hedstrom, US Cellular; Larry Bergstrom.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2008-00084 to #2008-00090 totaling $849.46.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved paying the 2009 dues to the North Central Regional Planning Commission in the amount of $3,500.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 05-2009 to cancel outstanding checks and warrants issued by the County Treasurer, totaling $1,782.98.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a letter appointing Commissioner Caspers to the North Central Kansas Homeland Security Council.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the January 12th meeting as presented.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator and Raymond Kindel discussed the road problem he reported at the December 29th meeting, concerning the replacement of gravel on a road, in his area. Kindel thanked the Board for installing stop signs at the corner of 180th and Iron Road.

Asch presented a classification change for Gilford Hale from Mechanic to Heavy Equipment Operator. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change.

The Board acknowledged the retirement of Dan Fraser, effective January 3, 2009.

Asch reported the Kansas One Call meeting will be held on Thursday, January 29th at 6:30 p.m. at the Concordia Country Club.

Asch reported he has met the requirements for approval by the Kansas Dept. of Agriculture to certify him as Cloud County Weed Director under the Kansas Noxious Weed Law and Regulations, for 2009.
Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed the Recycling Trailer that is available for use on the week-ends and after hours. This trailer is to be used for recyclables only and if people continue to leave trash and leaves in the trailer he may have to discontinue having a trailer available. Murdock discussed various other items with the Board.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Convention and Tourism meeting held on Tuesday, January 15th.

At 10:45 a.m. the Commissioners opened the 3 sealed bids received for the refrigerator that was being sold by the Health Dept. Bids were received from Jennifer Koch $250; Gloria Hanson $175; Billie Payne $51. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the high bid of $250 from Jennifer Koch.

Diana Gering presented the Conditions of Participation for Home Health Agencies designating Diana Gering, RN and Diane McNichols, RN to act as Administrators for the Cloud County Health Dept. and Home Health Agency. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Condition of Participation.

Gering presented the Official Authorization of the Home Health Agency to continue the operation of a Home Health Agency in Cloud County. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Authorization.

Gering presented the completed AED (Automated External Defibrillator) policy and procedures for approval. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Authorization.

James Hedstrom, U S Cellular presented information regarding the renewal of the County’s cell phone contract. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the renewal of the cell phone contract for 24 months with U S Cellular.

Larry Bergstrom stopped by for a visit.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon, until Monday, January 26, 2009.
Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Barry Porter, County Appraiser, Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director.

Others attending were: Chris Hillman, CHS Government Student; Lisa Davies, Director of Environmental Services for Rural Lakes Region; Gary May, District Sanitarian; Tim Sjogren; Larry Eubanks, James Wilson, Donna Garst, Cloud County EMS Association.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $115,751 and reviewed the monthly department expense vouchers.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser gave an overview of the educational requirements and duties of the County Appraiser. Porter presented the Interlocal Agreement and Contract with Republic County for services of Porter as County Appraiser in both counties. The contract is for four (4) year period beginning July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2013. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the contract.

Brian Marks, Sheriff gave an overview of changes he will be implementing at the Sheriff’s Department and reported he will be accepting applications through February 13th for a full-time secretary.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented personnel classification sheets for two (2) new hires: Dan Hyman as a mechanic and Larry Sulanka as a heavy equipment operator both at an hourly wage of $13.14, and both effective February 9, 2009. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the two (2) new hires.

Asch discussed various other items with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2008-00091 thru #2008-00094 totaling $133.12.

The County Clerk presented a check from Cloud County Rural Fire District #4, in the amount of $50 for the use of the building at the old landfill site.

The Board wanted to clarify the January 5th minutes regarding the contract for Christine Rogers: wages for WIC services are covered 100% by grant funds and services for Home Health consultations is charged at a rate of $45 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approve the minutes of the January 19th meeting as presented.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved and allowed the Chairman to sign the bonds for the following Township Treasurers: Richard Blackwell, Aurora Township; Glenn H. Larsen, Buffalo Township; Joyce Peterson, Center Township; Mary F. Nicholas, Elk Township; Marcia Jensen, Grant Township; Barbara Mosher, Lawrence Township; Leann Schmidt, Meredith Township; Rick Hanson, Sibley Township; Patricia A. Dowlin, Solomon Township; Richard R. Phelps, Starr Township; Melissa Loeffler, Summit Township.

Lisa Davies, Director of Environmental Services for Rural Lakes Region presented the Cooperative Agreement between the Cloud County Commission and the Junction City-Geary County Health Department for participation in the Local Environmental Protection Program (LEPP). On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the Cooperative Agreement.

Davies discussed fee increases for private water supply wells and private on-site wastewater systems. She explained the increases are necessary because of a decrease in amount of grant funds to be received from the State. The fee increases include: New Construction from $220 to $250; Wastewater System Installer Maintenance Application and Annual Fee $50; Water Testing for Private Wells for Bacteria and Nitrate (both) from $15 to $20, Bacteria (coliforms & E.coli) only from $5 to $10 and Nitrate Only from $5 to $10; Real Estate Inspections from $150 to $200. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the proposed 2009 fee increases for Rural Lakes, to be effective March 1, 2009.

Gary May, District Sanitarian gave his monthly update and Tim Sjogren, appearing on behalf of Jim Sjogren, asked the Board to approve a variance in the separation distance, from 100 ft. to 80 ft., for a well and lateral absorption field. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the variance for Jim Sjogren.

Larry Eubanks, James Wilson, and Donna Garst, Cloud County EMS Association presented information concerning the EMS Association programs and funding. The group asked to be considered for funding during the next budgeting process.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported he will be advertising for a fulltime equipment operator at the Recycling Center, due to a resignation. Murdock reported he and Commissioner Engle will be attending the E-Waste meeting in Osborne on Thursday, January 29th; and reported he will be a mentor for Dean Scott’s Senior Project on recycling; and discussed various other items with the Board.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Community Resource Council meeting on January 20th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Juvenile Detention Center meeting in Junction City on January 21st.
The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 2, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 2, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending were: Burl Maley and Steve Breeding, Chemical Dependency Committee.

Signed department expense checks.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2008 – 00095 to #2008-00102 totaling $387.66.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the January 26th meeting as presented.

Commissioner Crawford reported the sales tax and compensating use tax for December, 2008 was $64,491.30 compared to $60,250.96 for December 2007. The amount received for January 2009 was $71,334.07 compared to $61,412.77 for January 2008.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attend the NCK Regional Planning meeting on Thursday, January 29th, in Beloit; the CloudCorp annual meeting on Saturday, January 31st; and the Kansas One Call meeting on Tuesday, January 27th.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the NCK Homeland Security meeting in Beloit on Tuesday, January 27th.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Kansas One Call meeting on Tuesday, January 27th and the Solomon Valley E-Waste meeting, in Osborne, on Thursday, January 29th.

The Board acknowledged the termination of Jane Lervold, as Corrections Officer, effective January 27, 2009.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved personnel classification changes for Richard Stutsman, effective January 14, 2009 and Kevin Diers, effective February 1, 2009, due to a satisfactory evaluation by the Sheriff and reaching their anniversary date, in accordance with the new pay scale implemented for the Sheriff’s Dept in February of 2008.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various items with the Board.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented a resignation for Larry Sulanka, as equipment operator, effective February 6, 2009. Sulanka will be transferring to the Road and Bridge Dept.

Murdock presented the revised Rules and Regulations for the Construction/Demolition Site; reported that Cloud County did receive the ALCOA grant, sponsored by National Recycling Coalition and Kansas Organization of Recyclers. Cloud County will be receiving 168 22 gallon recycling bins. Murdock gave a report on the Solomon E-Waste meeting and reported Cloud County has shipped 6 loads of E-waste to Osborne.

Burl Maley and Steve Breeding with the Chemical Dependency Committee presented the 2009 Funding Agreement totaling $15,780. One-half (1/2) of the funding will be used for Public Education and Prevention and one-half (1/2) will be used for Indigent Alcohol Counseling. Maley presented information of the way the funds were used in 2008. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2009 Funding Agreement.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director visited with the Board about equipment that is available to County’s through the use of Homeland Security Funds.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed their Physical Therapy Services for their out-of-town patients. Gering stated she will prepare a contract with Mt. Joseph to provide these services when the Cloud County Health Center is unable to provide the services.

McNichols reported Paige Rudolph has been hired to fill the position of Youth Coordinator for the Tobacco Program.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a 5 minute executive session to discuss attorney client privileges. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive session at 11:25 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:30 a.m. Walsh discussed various items with the Board.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon, until Monday, February 9, 2009.
Adjourned session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 9, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Todd Whitney, Extension Agent; Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Others attending were: Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director; Curt Fraiser, Fraiser and Johnson; Bob Johnson, Cloud County Coop; Jeff Bechard, President of AgMark, LLC; Toby Nosker, KNCK.

Approved department payrolls totaling $110,967.64.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board. Marks presented a new hire for Masson Johnson as Undersheriff, effective February 17, 2009, at $16.39 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

The Board acknowledged the removal of the following persons from the Sheriff’s payroll, effective February 9, 2009, because they have not worked for several months: Wayne Loy; Nick Gerard; Jessica Beck; Danielle Wilson; and Anna LaBarge.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented the 2008 Annual Noxious Weed Report for approval. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board accepted the 2008 Annual Report as presented.

Asch presented the 2010 Annual Noxious Weed Management Plan for approval. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2010 Management Plan as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a letter to Leland Tice with KDOT requesting a Miltonvale
City sign be installed at the west entrance of Miltonvale on US 24 and City Street West 4th St.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing letters of congratulation to Jim and Jean Franey and Roger and Tricia Koester for receiving Conservation Awards from the Cloud County Bankers Association.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #06-2009 to cancel check # 113765, in the amount of $1,073.20 and Resolution #07-2009 to cancel check # 113752, in the amount of $306.40.

At 10:00 a.m. the Commissioner conducted their monthly department head meeting.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are getting ready for the City/School General Election.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported they are verifying the information in ORION their new Appraisal software.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported they are working with the alarm company to upgrade the system codes.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent reported they are working on their winter meetings and the Cloud County Conservation Annual meeting is Thursday evening.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator reported they are working on grants which are due March 15th, and tetanus shots were given at the Clifton/Clyde schools.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported the CPR and AED classes for county employees have been scheduled for Friday, March 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Employees will only need to attend one session and the sign-up sheets will be available in the County Clerk’s office. The Health Dept. will charge $15.00 for each employee enrolled in the class to cover the cost of the supplies. The Department heads agreed this cost should be taken from each department’s budget and not paid by the employee.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they will be attending the WORKS Conference, March 24-26, in Lindsborg.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he has been installing new computers in several departments and is trying to get caught up from when he was gone on medical leave.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported his department is cutting trees and he has completed the annual Weed Department reports.
Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they are cleaning and painting at the Sheriff’s Department; he has hired Masson Johnson as Undersheriff and he will be coming to work on February 17th; and he will be accepting applications for a fulltime secretary, until February 13th.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court thanked the maintenance department for moving their roller shelves to the storeroom; there is a bill in the Legislature that would allow the Supreme Court to increase fees to cover additional budget cuts.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported heavy truck and trailer tag renewals are due by February 27th. This year everyone will receive a new tag when they renew their vehicle tags, with the exception of heavy truck and trailers which will be issued new tags next year.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they have sent in their year-end reports and they are helping the Senior class research their Deadman projects.

The Board resumed open session at 10:35 a.m.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager, Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators discussed a request they received from Early Head Start about some remodeling they would like to do to the space they rent at the Health Dept. building. Johnson presented a drawing and explained the proposed changes. The Board approved the remodeling request if a proposal is presented to them showing the detailed specifications before the work begins.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Bond for Marvin Revell as Colfax Township Treasurer.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented a new hire for Steve Horkman as a fulltime Equipment Operator at the Recycling Center, effective February 23, 2009, at $11.83 per hour, with a 6 month introductory period. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

Murdock reported the Transfer Station and the Recycling Center will both be closed on Monday, February 16, 2009, for the Presidents Day Holiday.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2008-103 to #2008-112 totaling $962.18.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director reported they did receive their Unexpended Funds for DOC in the amount of $4,405.85: presented a classification change for Jennifer Blochlinger from a part-time to a fulltime Adult Intensive Supervision Officer, effective February 9, 2009. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.
Anderson presented Resolution No. 08-2009 appointing Brian Marks, Sheriff to the JJA/DOC Advisory Board replacing Larry Bergstrom. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment.

The Board recessed at 11:55 a.m. and resumed open session at 1:30 p.m.

Curt Frasier presented background information of how and why AgMark was formed. Jeff Bechard presented statistics on the number of bushels of grain that is handled by AgMark each year, the number of people employed at the facility and its benefit to the Region. Bechard reported that in 2006, the Cloud County Commission approved the issuance of $8 million in Industrial Revenue Bonds and related property tax exemptions. Phase 1 of the project was completed at a cost of approximately $5 million. AgMark is now ready to begin Phase 2 of the project, which will include the addition of 2 large steel bins and also additional office space for the grain inspection station. The approximate cost of Phase 2 will be approximately $3.1 and $3.5 million.

The Courthouse and County offices including the Transfer Station and Recycling Center will be closed on Monday, February 16th in the observance of Presidents Day. The Commissioners will meet on Tuesday, February 17th.

The Board adjourned at 2:25 p.m., until Tuesday, February 17, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 17, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 17, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Mason Johnson, Undersheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Jerry Collins, IT Technician.

Others attending were: Susie Haver, Tourism Director; Larry Eubanks, Concordia Fire Chief.

Brian Marks, Sheriff introduced Mason Johnson as his new Undersheriff and discussed various other items with the Board.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed various items with the Board.
Walsh requested a 3 minute executive session to discuss attorney-client privileges. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 3 minute executive session at 9:27 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:30 a.m. Also, included in the session was Andy Asch, Highway Administrator.

Susie Haver, Cloud County Convention & Tourism Director informed the Board that Cloud County will be hosting the North Central Kansas Tourism meeting on Thursday, February 19th and invited the Board to be their dinner guests, which will be held at the Huckleberry Tea House, that evening. Haver thanked the Board and Andy Asch for the work that was done by the Highway Dept. at the National Guard Armory and also on the county roads.

Asch discussed the hot mix plant; reported they are crushing rock and cutting trees.

Larry Eubanks, Concordia Fire Chief discussed the contracts the City of Concordia has with the townships for ambulance service.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech presented a contract for the licensing agreement with Manatron, Inc. and discussed the maintenance agreements for county use of their software. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing Collins to sign the contract with Manatron, Inc. on behalf of Cloud County.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Convention and Tourism meeting on Tuesday, February 10, and the amount received from the Transient Guest Tax for the 4th quarter of 2008 was $41,981.01.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on Friday, February 13th and he had attended the New Commissioner Training on February 5th and 6th in Topeka.

The Board received a letter from the Kansas Historical Society stating that as of January 22nd the Clyde Grade School has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Reva Coash, to a 2 year term, as Cloud County’s Representative to the North Central Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting if additional information is added to clarify that the Early Head Start remodeling would be at their expense.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approve Abatements #2008-113 to #2008-119 totaling $1,168.38.
On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the bonds for Arvine Hiner as Shirley Township Treasurer and Linda Richard as Oakland Township Treasurer.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved notifying the Lincoln Township Board of the application for Cereal Malt Beverage License by the Cloud County Fair Board.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m., until Monday, February 23, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 23, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 23, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Steve Nelson, Cloud County Conservation District; Gary May, District Sanitarian; Jim Menard.

Review monthly department expense vouchers.

Approve department payrolls totaling $112,344.39.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.


On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 09-2009 establishing a 14 day burning ban for Cloud County, beginning February 24, 2009 thru March 9, 2009, as requested by the Miltonvale Rural Fire District # 3.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various items with the Board.
The Commissioners attended the North Central Kansas Tourism meeting on Thursday, February 19th.

Commissioner Engle received a Certificate of Attendance for attending the Introduction to the Commissioners Job training class sponsored by the Kansas Association of Counties.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various items with the Board. Murdock reported that beginning March 9th the hours at the Recycling Center will change to 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. year round.

Steve Nelson, Cloud County Conservation District presented a Joint-Road-Terrace Use Permit with Larry Nobert for the installation of terraces in the SE ¼ 17-7-1. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the permit.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators presented personnel classification change for Vonda Pumarlo from part-time Home Health RN to a fulltime Health Educator for the Health Dept., with no change in wage, to be effective March 1, 2009. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

Gering presented the Health Department’s Accounts Receivable Write-offs as of December 31, 2008, in the amount of $32,334.82. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the write-offs.

McNichols reported they are conducting preliminary discussions with the Cloud County Health Center about the possibility of conducting evening health clinics; and other possible programs that can be introduced in the future.

Gary May, District Sanitarian reported he had issued 2 new permits and 1 permit last month.

Jim Menard visited with the Board about the installation of a system on property he owns which may need a variance. The Board asked May to check the sight and report back to them concerning the variance.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented the 3 proposals received for trimming trees on the Courthouse property. Proposals were received from: Paul’s Tree Service $300; Mendenhall Tree Service $325; and Stone Ridge Tree Service $640. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote to accept the lowest proposal from Paul’s Tree Service for $300.

The Board adjourned a 11:45 a.m.
Regular session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 2, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Mason Johnson, Undersheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court.

Others attending were:

Signed department monthly expense checks.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Mason Johnson, Undersheriff reported they conducted interviews on Friday for the Secretary position and will be making a decision soon. Marks reported he met with Glasco Grade School officials regarding the DARE Program.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the February 23rd meeting as presented.

The Board signed the State of Disaster Emergency Proclamation for the Burning Ban that was issued last week.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented 2 applications, for signature, to the Kansas Department of Transportation for Request for Construction Project Using Recovery Funds 2009. The applications were for the following projects: bituminous overlay (2”) of County Road from Aurora City limits north approximately 4 miles and bituminous overlay (2”) of County Road from approximately 4 miles north of Aurora, Kansas, North to K-9 Highway. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2 applications to the Department of Transportation.

Asch reported he will be attending the Kansas Weed Directors Conference in Lawrence March 3 – 5.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Cereal Malt Beverage License for the Cloud County Fair Board.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the resignation of Connie Istas as Aurora Township Trustee and approved the appointment of Michael Istas as Aurora Township Trustee.

The Board discussed information received from Gary May, District Sanitarian regarding the variance request from Jim Menard. A decision was tabled until the Board could contact Mr. May to request more information.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various items with the Board.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security meeting, in Beloit, on Tuesday, February 24th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Pawnee Mental Health Board meeting on February 24th, in Clay Center and also the North Central Regional Planning meeting in Beloit on Thursday, February 26th.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Paige Rudolph as part-time Youth Coordinator for the Health Department, at a 6 month introductory wage of $11.33 per hour, effective March 2, 2009.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 10-2009 canceling check # 113828, in the amount of $44.24.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2008-121 and Abatements #2008-160 thru #2008-165, totaling $538.78.

At 10:45 the Board conducted the bid opening for the 2000 Chevy Lumina and the 2004 Ford Taurus, being sold by the Sheriff’s Department. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the high bids received for each vehicle. High bids received were from Everett Ford in the amount of $3,111.11 for the 2004 Ford Taurus and from Christy Dorman in the amount of $1,500.00 for the 2000 Chevy Lumina.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of the District Court visited with the Board about updating the window treatments in the court room. Throckmorton will check into options available and cost concerned and report back to the Board, before a decision is made.

At the Board’s request, Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators, presented information on vouchers that were submitted for payment from their department. After receiving the requested information the Board approved paying the expenses.
Gering and McNichols discussed various other items with the Board.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MARCH 9, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 9, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Todd Whitney, Extension Agent; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court; Jerry Collins, IT Technician.

Others attending were: Larry Sharp, KCAMP Representative.

Approved Department Payrolls totaling $114,282.36.

It was reported the Sales Tax and Compensating Use Tax for February 2009 was $58,564.73.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, 2\textsuperscript{nd} by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2008-166 to #2008-176 totaling $664.78.

Commissioner Caspers reported he received a call from Gary May, District Sanitarian regarding the variance request for Jim Menard. May asked the issue be tabled at the time.

Commissioner Caspers attended the Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting and luncheon at the Concordia Senior Citizens Center on Thursday, March 5\textsuperscript{th}.

The Board did not extend the burning ban that was implemented on February 23\textsuperscript{rd}.

Commissioner Engle and Commissioner Crawford attended the Leadership for a Productive Work Force meeting on Thursday, March 5\textsuperscript{th}, in Junction City.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a new hire for Jack Tyler as fulltime Construction Laborer, effective March 16, 2009, at $11.02 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

Asch invited the Board to attend the NCK Hwy Officials Association meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 1st in Salina. All of the Commissioners will try to attend this meeting; Road and Bridge employees will be attending the CPR/AED classes either on Tuesday, March 10 and Wednesday, March 11; discussed various other items with the Board.

The Board conducted their monthly department head meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they are working on a project to locate and map the older school districts and school houses in the County.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported that due to state cut backs that as of April 1st persons renewing their vehicle tags would not be receiving new tags; new personalized tags will be issued next year and residents can begin ordering them in September; they will be doing distributions next week and they are getting ready to print second half tax statements.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court reported they are working on their Emergency Preparedness and Continuity of Operations Plan.

Jerry Collins, IT Technician reported he has been installing new computers in various offices and he will be going to the Manatron Users Conference in May.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are beginning to work on Road Projects, weather permitting and he is waiting on information concerning the Stimulus Funds.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported the Vo-Tech school is getting close to being done with the Construction/Demolition Site; beginning on March 11th the Transfer Station will begin staying open until 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings; Steve Horkman has started working at the Recycling Center.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser discussed the procedure for the disposal of excess county property.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed their visit to the Topeka on Thursday, March 5th; Paige Rudolph started last week as Tobacco Youth Coordinator; April 16th will be Ladies Night to promote Heart Health and Cancer Awareness.
Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed taking some of the surplus equipment to the Optimist Sale; and reported they have finished trimming the trees on the Courthouse square.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent reported they are starting 4-H Projects and Tractor Safety Training is scheduled for the end of April.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are preparing for the April 7th City/School General Election; Voter Registration books will close on March 23rd and Advance Voting for the City/School Election will begin on March 18th, reminded Department Heads to turn in their 2009 Inventories.

Commissioner Crawford asked the department heads if they felt the Commissioners should visit their departments to see what they are doing and answer any questions or hear concerns the employees may have. The Department heads felt this would be something the Commissioner should consider doing.

The Commissioners and the Department Heads toured the storage areas of the Courthouse.

The Board resumed open session at 11:00 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director and Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed various items with the Board.

Larry Sharp, KCAMP came in to introduce himself and gave a brief overview of the services provided by KCAMP.


The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m., until Monday, March 16, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MARCH 16, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 16, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.
County staff attending were: Burton Nondorf, Deputy; Marilyn Bogart, Secretary; Mason Johnson, Undersheriff; Hans Hanson, Deputy; Charles Lindberg, Deputy; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators.

Others attending were: Jessica LeDuc, Blade Empire; Chuck Nondorf.

On behalf of the Cloud County Commission, Commissioner Caspers presented a plaque to Burton Nondorf, who will be retiring April 1st, for his years of service to Cloud County.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement #2008-177, in the amount of $321.72.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Tourism Board meeting held on March 10th and that plans are moving along for the Kansas Sampler Festival, to be held May 2nd and 3rd, in Concordia.

Last week each of the Commissioners spoke to the government classes at Concordia High School.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a Right of Way Use Permit for Cloud County Rural Water District #1 to bury a waterline across Eagle Road at 1635 Eagle Rd. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the ROW Use Permit.

Asch discussed the sale of chemicals to county landowners. The landowner will pay 75% of the total cost, which includes the cost of the chemical, plus an additional $2.00 per gallon for storage and handling. The percentage amount is the same as last year.

Asch reported they will be purchasing a 2007 IHC Dump Truck, with less than 75,000 miles, from Roberts Truck of Salina for $61,000 plus the cost of freight.

Asch; Larry Shuler, Shop Foreman; and Rick Casey, Hot Mix Plant Operator will be going to Atchison on Tuesday, March 17th to look at a used hot-mix plant; and Michels began making repairs on 210 Road, last week.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various items with the Board.

The Board acknowledged the receipt of a letter from the Adjutant Generals Office for appointments to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) as follows:

Chairman: Bob Gering, Rural Fire Dist. #4
Vice-Chair: Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director
State/Local Official: Gary Caspers, Commissioner
Jon Puckett, Mayor of Miltonvale
Law Enforcement: Brian Marks, Cloud County Sheriff
Dan Parker, City of Concordia Police Chief
Emergency Management: Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director
Firefighting: Bob Gering, Rural FD # 4
Dave Jones, City of Clyde Fire Chief
Arvid Flewelling, Rural FD #1
Larry Eubanks, City of Concordia Fire Chief
Richard Schultz, City of Miltonvale Fire Chief
Eric Jochems, City of Jamestown Fire Chief
Steve Graham
Mike Brayton
Max Coleman

Emergency Medical Services: Chuck Nondorf, Concordia Fire Dept/EMS
Health: Cynthia Weber, Cloud County Health Dept.
Local Environmental Group: Larry Brunridge, Valley Fertilizer
Hospital: Marleen Parker, Cloud County Health Center
Transportation: Andy Asch, Cloud County Road & Bridge
Broadcast Media: Joe Jindra, KNCK Radio Station
Community Group: Janet Eubank, Cloud County Community College
Niki Taylor-Morris
Cathy Feriend
Beverly Mortimer, Superintendent of School
Facility Owners/Operators: Larry Brunridge, Valley Fertilizer

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators presented the Public Grant Applications for the Cloud County Health Dept. as follows: State Formula $7,000; Chronic Disease Risk $77,439; Family Planning $62,410; AIDS Counseling and Testing $2,681; Maternal & Child Health $20,954; Child Care Licensing $42,435 and Immunization Action Plan $36,553, for a total of all programs of $249,472. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote to allow the Chairman to sign the Grant application for the Cloud County Health Dept.
McNichols presented the Chronic Disease Risk Reduction Coalition (CDRR) members list for signature. By signing the members list the Board acknowledges the Commission supports the organization as an active member of the coalition and supports the coalitions request for Grant funding. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the acknowledgement to support the Tobacco Youth Prevention Program sponsored by the CDRR.

McNichols presented information on the WIC Site visit conducted by Kansas Department of Health and Environment last week and the upgrades that were suggested by KDHE.
Brian Marks, Sheriff presented several classification changes for his Department, as follows:
New Hire for Roberta Alexander as a fulltime Office Specialist, at $10.14 per hour, effective March 18, 2009; a step increase for Jamie Koch, Jail Administrator from $14.31 per hour to $15.19 per hour, with Sheriff’s approval, effective March 15, 2009, as per pay scale adopted in October 2007; and presented a new hire for James D. Lynn, Jr., as a part-time corrections officer at $10.00 per hour, effective March 16, 2009. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the new hires and classification change.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Greg Lagasse as Deputy for the Sheriff’s Department, effective March 14, 2009.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the purchase of a DestroyIT 4005 Shredder for the Courthouse, from File Safe of Salina, at a cost of $4400.

The Board adjourned at 11:32 a.m., until Monday, March 23, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MARCH 23, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 23, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present. Chairman Gary Caspers was not in attendance.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Gary May, District Sanitarian.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Commissioner Crawford as Chairman Pro-Tem in Commissioner Caspers absence.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $118,633.29.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he will be calling VanDiest, Vegetation Management and Crop Production Services (formerly UAP) and checking the prices of various chemicals. Chemicals will be ordered from the company quoting the lowest price for each type of chemical needed.

Asch reported he will be sending out specifications for tire bids. Bid will need to be returned by April 10th and opened on April 13th during his regular appointment with the County Commission.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2008-179 to #2008-180 totaling $223.02.

The Commissioners signed letters to the members of the CHS Girls Basketball team and their coaches to congratulate them for winning the Class 4A State Championship.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported he and Steve Horkman will be attending the WORKS Conference on March 24th thru 26th in Lindsborg.

Murdock discussed a request received from All Roads Company asking about the disposal of material from the striping of roads from the Ottawa County line to the Republic County line. No action was taken.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Resource Council meeting on Tuesday, March 17th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the CloudCorp meeting on Tuesday, March 17th.

Gary May, District Sanitarian gave his monthly update regarding the number of permits issued and closed.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; and Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented a proposal received from Early Head Start regarding the remodeling of the space they lease at the Health Dept. building. Early Head Start is requesting the county pay $800, which is ½ of the cost of an electrical box to be installed on the 2nd floor of the building. The balance of the remodeling costs will be paid by Early Head Start. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Health Dept. to pay $800 for ½ the cost of the electrical box for the 2nd floor of the Health Dept. building.

The Board adjourned at 11:30 a.m. until Monday, March 30, 2009.
Adjourned session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 30, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director.

Others attending were: Marcia Johnson.

The Board reviewed the department monthly expense vouchers.

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented classification changes for step increases for Teresa Benson and Christopher Rupert from $13.12 per hour to $13.92 per hour. The increases are due to reaching their anniversary date and upon recommendation by the Sheriff. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the step increases.

Marks reported they will be having a reception on Thursday, April 2\textsuperscript{nd}, from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m., in the Courthouse meeting room to honor Burton Nondorf, who retired on April 1\textsuperscript{st}.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Marks discussed various items with the Board.

Marcia Johnson stopped by to visit with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board appointed David Forshee as Trustee for Lyon Township.

Commissioner Caspers reported the sales tax and compensating used tax for February totaled $67,308.44.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Bond for Sherry Trost as Lincoln Township Treasurer.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed the wind damage received at the Transfer Station last week; the WORKS Conference they attended last week and various other items with the Board.
Commissioner Engle and Commissioner Crawford will attend the North Central Kansas Highway Officials Association meeting in Salina on Wednesday, April 1st.

The Board adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
APRIL 6, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 6, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Deb Ohlde, North Central Regional Planning.

Signed department payroll and expense checks.

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented the following personnel classification changes for his department: Hans Hanson and Charles Lindberg each received a one year step increase, due to reaching their anniversary date and with Sheriff’s approval, from $14.31 per hour to $15.19 per hour plus each will receive the $1,000 sign-on bonus; Chris Rupert from fulltime corrections officer to fulltime Road Officer, effective April 6, 2009, at $14.31 per hour; Charles Wes Riley from part-time corrections officer to fulltime corrections officer, effective April 6, 2009, at $13.12 per hour; and James Lynn, Jr. from part-time corrections officer to fulltime corrections officer, effective April 6, 2009 at $13.12 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the changes.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the bond for Pam Blochlinger as Arion Township Treasurer.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved notifying the Lyon Township Board of the Cereal Malt Beverage application made by the Glasco Country Club.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement #2008-00183 in the amount of $9.72.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a Joint Road-Terrace Use Permit with Loren Koester for the NE ¼ 21-6-2. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Use Permit.

Asch reported he was approached by persons representing Ducks Unlimited asking if the county would be willing to donate a 2.3 acre, rectangle shaped, tract of land, located north of Jamestown, which is owned by Cloud County, to Ducks Unlimited. After discussion the Board decided the county should keep the 2.3 acre tract because of the access to the bridge located there.

The Board reported they had received a check, in the amount of $3,031.50, from Horizon Wind Energy for damages done to roadways and pasture during their construction process. The Board asked Asch to deposit the funds back into the Road and Bridge fund in the County Treasurer’s office.

The Board received a letter from the Cloud County Commission on Aging asking the following people be appointed their Board of Directors: from Concordia: Bob Burns; from Glasco: Patty Jones, Jean Kosar and Jacqueline Murphy; and from Miltonvale: Leona Hamel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board accepted the presented appointments to the Commission on Aging Board.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign a Proclamation designating April as Fair Housing Month.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director wanted to thank the Concordia Fire Department and the Rural Fire Departments, Tex Mills, Transfer Station Employees, Larry Henderson and Casey Fraser for all of their help during Saturday’s fire.

A KCAMP representative inspected the Transfer Station Building for damage after the recent high winds. The damage found was not something that would be covered by the county’s insurance but could possibly be the result of a construction problem. Murdock presented a proposal from Peltier Foundry, in the amount of $5,650, for the placement of 2 corner trusses for the purpose of stabilizing the west wall of the Transfer Station building. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the proposal with the funds to be taken from the Special Building Fund.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign a grant application for the City of Aurora for recycled tires to be used on the playground for the Aurora City Park.
Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the Fireman’s Relief Fund.

Susie Haver, Director of Cloud County Convention & Tourism presented the following appointments to the Tourism Board: Larry Sorell representing Rustic Remembrances Bed & Breakfast; Pat Lynch representing the Cottage on the River; and Jacquie Aytes representing the Holiday Inn Express & Suites. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointments and also to allow the use of the Courthouse as an emergency shelter, if needed, during the Sampler Festival.

Deb Ohlde, North Central Regional Planning Commission discussed the Low to Moderate Income Survey that must be completed to be eligible to apply for Block Grant Funds.

The Board will meet on Friday, April 10, 2009 at 8:00 a.m. to canvass the City/School General Election results.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m., until Monday, April 13, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
APRIL 13, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 13, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Todd Whitney, Extension Agent.

Others attending were: Jeff King with King’s Communications & Security, Inc.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the bond for Steven E. Lindsey as Nelson Township Treasurer.

The Board recognized the resignation of Heather Workman as Center Township Clerk.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2008-184 to #2008-189 totaling $2,801.58.
On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the April 6th regular meeting and the April 10th canvas, as presented.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the JJA Advisory Board meeting on April 8th.

Commissioner Engle will be attending the Wind Energy Seminar, to be presented by Kansas Association of Counties, in Salina on Friday, April 17th.

The Board reviewed the inventories for the following departments: Solid Waste and Recycling; District Court; Appraiser; Commissioners; County Clerk; County Treasurer; Register of Deeds; Health; Maintenance; and IT Dept.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented Resolution #12-2009 for the Removal of Weight Limit Signs from Bridge #649, located between Sec 9 & 10 – 6-4, which spans the West branch of Wolf Creek. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the Resolution.

Asch reported they are beginning to sell chemicals and they are working on purchasing the Right of Way for their next bridge project, located Southwest of Ames, between Sections 18 & 19-6-1.

At 9:30 a.m. the Board conducted the tire bid openings. Bids were received from Becker Tire, Salina and Kansasland Tire, Concordia. The Board asked Asch to review the bids before a decision is made.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly department head meeting.

Jeff King with King’s Communication & Security Inc. presented information on several different types of security cameras that are available and answered questions from the Board and department heads.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported the offices have been working with the High School Government classes on their scavenger hunts; and the quarterly reports have been sent to the banks.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported they have mailed second half tax statements and second half taxes are due May 11th; beginning July 1st the Treasurer’s office will be required to check names listed on all vehicle titles against the individuals drivers license or ID card, to be sure the names are listed the same on both. This will allow for easier computer access when looking up an individual’s vehicle records.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they are now close to having a full staff in the Sheriff’s Dept.; and he attended the Glasco and Miltonvale City Council meetings last week.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are starting to sell chemicals and the Road and Bridge Department is now at full staff after several retirements.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they are working on the Construction/Demolition pit to get it ready to be inspected by KDHE; and they will be getting the recycling bins ready for the Kansas Sampler Festival.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported Thursday, April 16th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. they will be holding Ladies Think Healthy Night at the First Methodist Church; Friday, April 24th she, Diane McNichols and Vonda Pumarlo will be attending the Homeland Security meeting in Salina.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported the new shredder has been installed.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent reported Kansas State will be conducting an open house on Saturday, April 18th, at both the Manhattan and Salina campuses; the Extension office will be conducting Tractor Safety Classes at 2 locations in the district. On, the evenings of, April 22nd and 24th the classes will be held in Concordia and on Saturday, April 25th a class will be held in Clay Center.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are finishing up the City/School General Election; and are getting ready to do the preliminary work for the 2010 budgets.

The Board and department heads discussed the security cameras and the current county security systems. Everyone felt that more information was needed before any decision was made.

The department head meeting ended at 11:00 a.m. and the Board resumed open session at 11:05 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported he was meeting with KCAMP representatives tomorrow concerning the fire damages; RMA Engineers will be sending the necessary engineering reports to KDHE for the Construction/Demolition Pit; and discussed compost piles.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m., until Monday, April 20, 2009.
Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Tech.

Others attending were: Deb Ohlde, North Central Regional Planning; Eric Jochem, Rural Fire District # 1 C&R.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $119,225.41.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he has reviewed the tire bids, that were opened last week, and they will be purchasing all of the tires from Kansasland Tire except for 1 type of loader tires which will be purchased from Becker Tire of Salina.

Commissioner Caspers reported a complaint he had received on a county road, at 250\(^{th}\) and Eagle Road. Asch will check into the matter.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Cereal Malt Beverage License for the Glasco Country Club.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Tourism Board meeting on Tuesday, April 14\(^{th}\) and the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Junction City, on Wednesday, April 15\(^{th}\).

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the County Government and Wind Farms meeting, in Salina, on Friday, April 17\(^{th}\).

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of Judy Brunkow as Center Township Clerk.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 13-2009 to cancel check # 114184, in the amount of $314.00, due to the check being issued to the wrong vendor.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various items with the Board; and asked the public be reminded to have their recyclables either bagged or boxed before they are placed in the over-nite trailer, at the Recycling Center.
Jerry Collins, IT Tech discussed the county’s computer policies and security. The Board will review the policies before a decision is made.

Deb Ohlde, North Central Regional Planning discussed the process for completing the Low to Moderate Income Survey and which areas of the county which still need to be surveyed. The county is required to complete the LMI survey before they can apply for grant funds from the Department of Commerce.

Eric Jochems, Rural Fire District # 1C&R presented a grant application to the Duclos Foundation in the amount of $2,000. If the application is approved, the funds would be used for the purchase of radio/pagers for the rural fire department. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the grant request.

Jochems reported Jamestown would hold their city wide clean-up day on Saturday, April 25th.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon, until Monday, April 27th.
Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting on Thursday, April 23rd, in Manhattan.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they have finished screening and crushing rock at the East pit; discussed the price and sale of chemicals; answered questions from the Board regarding two (2) vouchers that were presented for payment.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they would be placing recycling bins in various areas in the park during the Sampler Festival; and they will be conducting an E-Waste collection in Glasco, on Tuesday, April 28th, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., at the Glasco City Hall.

The Board acknowledged the receipt of a letter from the Kansas Development Finance Authority regarding the participation in the Beginning Farmer Program by Keaton Lambert.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech and Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the possibility of having a yearly Inter-local Agreement with the City of Concordia for the computer services being provided by Jerry Collins. Collins will arrange a meeting with city officials regarding this inter-local agreement.

Gary May, District Sanitarian gave an update regarding the number of permits issued and closed during the past month.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m. and resumed open session at 1:25 p.m.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the 2010 DOC & JJA grant applications for signature by the Board Chairman. The grant amounts requested were based on last year’s figures and the amount of grant dollars received will depend on the allocation from the legislature. Anderson reported budgets will be submitted after the grant allocation amounts are received from the legislature. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the DOC & JJA grant applications.

The Board adjourned at 2:00 p.m.
County staff attending were: Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director; Diana Gering & Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator.

Others attending were:

Signed Department payrolls totaling $115,985.31.

Signed Monthly expense checks.

It was reported the sales tax and compensating use tax collected for April was $52,775.99.

Jerry Collins discussed adding links to the county’s website. It was the decision of the Board not to allow private businesses to have links on the county’s website.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed the visit from the State Fire Marshall last week and several things that need to be corrected.

Walsh requested a five (5) minute executive session to discuss attorney-client privileges. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a five (5) minute executive session at 9:32 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:37 a.m.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported that High Plains will be here in a couple of weeks to work on the cold mix that will be used for patching county roads; starting to sell chemicals last week.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they collected 340 lbs. of cardboard and 77 lbs. of aluminum and plastic containers at the Sampler Festival; they conducted an e-waste collection at Glasco last Tuesday and collected 415 lbs. of e-waste.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2008-192 to #2008-197 totaling $4,143.91.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security meeting, in Beloit, on Tuesday, April 28th. During the meeting they evaluated the Regions strengths and weaknesses for dealing with emergencies such as tornados, terrorisms and other disaster situations.
The Commissioners will be attending the Kansas County Commissioners Association Annual Conference, in Wichita, May 6-8.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director presented the 2010 appropriation request for Emergency Preparedness. The Board will take the request under advisement at Budget time.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator presented a classification change for Mishele Longfellow, Child Care Licensing Coordinator, from $14.00 per hour to $15.00 per hour, due to having reached the end of her 6 month introductory period. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon until Monday, May 11, 2009.
On motion by Commission Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended a Financial Management workshop, on Tuesday, May 5th, in Wichita; and the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on Friday, May 8th.

All of the Commissioners attended the Kansas County Commissioners Association meeting in Wichita on May 6th and 7th.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported High Plains will be here today to start work on the cold mix and they are starting to haul rock and spraying of county Right of Ways. Asch will be in Wichita on May 14th and 15th to attend the Kansas County Highway Association’s Spring Conference.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly department head meeting.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported Horizon Wind Energy has begun the research for Phase 4 of the Wind Project.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court reported they are waiting on information regarding the budget cuts.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are starting to do rock jobs and they will begin doing some spraying.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported on the visit by the State Fire Marshall and he is trying to complete the paperwork concerning the visit; and Chris Rupert will be attending the Law Enforcement Academy, beginning May 18th.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he will be working on Employee ID Cards and if anyone needs to have their picture retaken to let him know.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they are rebuilding their compost pad and gave a report on the amount or recyclables collected at the Sampler Festival.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator reported they handed out hand sanitizer to the vendors at the Sampler Festival; and have been conducting conference calls with KDHE concerning the H1M1 virus and guidelines to follow if needed. Wyandotte County and Johnson County are the largest areas to be affected by the virus. No cases have been reported in Cloud County.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent discussed the condition of the wheat crops in the area and livestock prices; 9 students were certified for the Tractor Safety Training in Cloud and Clay Counties; they will conduct a Master Gardener’s Spring Field Day at Morganville on Sunday, May 31st, from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.
Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported they are getting the Air Conditioners ready to go and completed repairs to the elevator, at the Courthouse, last week.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported she and Marylu Fellows, Deputy Election Officer attended the Kansas County Clerk & Election Officials Association Spring Conference, in Hutchinson, May 6 – 8; they are working on the addresses for the Low to Moderate Income Survey; and they are starting the duplicate check of the voter registration rolls.

Gail Engle, County Commissioner reported the Commissioners attended the Commissioners annual Spring Conference held in Wichita last week.

The Board asked about setting up times to visit the various departments.

The Department head meeting ended at 10:40 a.m.

The Board resumed open session at 11:00 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director thanked Elmer Collins for his years of service to Cloud County. Collins began employment with Cloud County on April 9, 1949, with the Road and Bridge Department and retired from his fulltime position on May 1, 1984. He has continued as a part-time equipment operator at the transfer station and will be leaving that position on May 11, 2009.

Murdock reported they sold a load of steel and aluminum cans last week.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Tom Kearn as part-time equipment operator at the Transfer Station, effective May 12, 2009, at $8.00 per hour.

Lisa Davies, Director of Rural Lakes Region presented a budget request in the amount of $2,000. They will be requesting the same amount of each of the 6 counties in the Rural Lakes/LEPP Region. Davies explained how they will be dealing with the state budget cuts, which could range from 29% to 40% of the operating budget. The Board will take the request under advisement at budget time.

Davies presented policy information on the fees that have been implemented for Wastewater Contractors Licensing. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved to allow the Chairman to sign the Licensing Policy.

The Commissioners and County Clerk will be attending a meeting, on Wednesday evening, May 13th with officials from the City of Concordia, Cloud County Community College and USD #333, for discussion of the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Program.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon, until Monday, May 18th.
Adjourned session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 18, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Jerry Collins, IT Tech.

Others attending were: Susie Tuggle; Susan Sutton; Larry Uri, Concordia Interim City Manager; Stacy VandenBroeder, Gertrude Poe and Don Ramseyer, Cloud County Commissioner on Aging; Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio.

The Board approved County payrolls totaling $115,477.02.

Susie Tuggle and Susan Sutton expressed concerns about the proposed purchase of the sound systems by the Tourism Committee for use at CCCC. Commissioner Crawford suggested representatives from any organization promoting Tourism attend the Tourism committee meetings, which are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 12:00 noon at the Museum Annex.

The Board discussed concerns they have received from the community regarding Tourism and the use of Tourism Fund. The Board made a call to invite the Tourism Committee to attend the Commissioners meeting on Tuesday, May 26th, at 9:00 a.m. to visit about the concerns they have received.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported High Plains is here and is beginning to make cold mix for the patching of county roads.

Commissioner Crawford reported a road problem on 240th Road North of Union Road. Asch will look into the problem.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented an application for the waiver of Construction/Demolition fees for property located at 507 East 6th St. in Concordia. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the application.

Larry Uri, Interim Concordia City Manager presented the contract for IT Services for approval and signature. The contract will begin June 1, 2009 and will be reviewed in December 2009. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner
Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 7 month contract with the City of Concordia for IT Services in the amount of $480 per month.

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented a personnel classification change for Marlin Nelson from $13.12 per hour to $13.92 per hour, due to reaching his anniversary date and upon recommendation by the Sheriff. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the May 11th meeting and the May 13th Joint meeting as presented.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Tourism meeting on Tuesday, May 12th.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a letter of Support for NCK CASA for their grant application to the State Crime Victims Assistance Fund for Child Abuse and Neglect.

Stacy VandenBroeder, Gertrude Poe and Don Ramseyer with Cloud County Commission on Aging presented their 2010 Budget Appropriation request in the amount of one (1) mill. The Board will take the request under advisement at budget time.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of Reva Coash to the Cloud County Commission on Aging Board.

Diana Gering, Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators and Jerry Collins, IT Tech discussed the OASIS paperwork required by Medicare for Home Health patients. Gering gave an overview of the OASIS computer program and the advantages of acquiring the new program. It will allow for more accurate reporting and allow for a possible increase in the reimbursement amount received from Medicare. The program is available for a 30 day free trial and if at the end of that time it is decided to continue with the program the cost for 2 users will be $426 per month. The Board felt they should try the program for the 30-day trial period.

McNichols presented classification changes for Vonda Pumarlo from Home Health Educator to Assistant Home Health Coordinator and Kay Berk Public Service Coordinator to Assistant Public Health Coordinator. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the changes for both Pumarlo and Berk, due to increased duties during the Administrators absences, with an increase from $16.73 to $16.98, effective May 24th.

The Board recessed at 11:55 a.m. and resume at 1:30 p.m. with a tour of the Law Enforcement Center and the Health Department.
The Courthouse and County Offices will be closed on Monday, May 25th, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

The Board adjourned at 4:12 p.m., until Tuesday, May 26, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MAY 26, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 26, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff.

Others attending were: Lee Doyen, Dolores Landry, MaDonna Sorell, Convention & Tourism Committee; Susie Haver and Tammy Britt, Co-Directors of Cloud County Tourism; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Sharon Coy, Blade Empire; Gary May, District Sanitarian; Tim Sjogren; Arlene Bray and Tom Trost, Cloud County Conservation District; Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director.

Reviewed department expense vouchers.

The Board explained their reasons for inviting members of the Convention and Tourism Committee to attend today’s meeting and explained the concerns they have received from the Community. The concerns were discussed.

Susie Haver reported they have completed the paperwork to become a Visitor’s Center and before a determination is made the Division of Tourism will conduct a site inspection on June 18th.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported the compost pad is complete at the Transfer Station and they have received the debris from the 1st home under the 2009 Construction/Demolition Waiver program.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.
On motion by Commission Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved a Proclamation designating May as Motorcycle Awareness Month in Cloud County.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the approved the hire of Burton Nondorf as a part-time deputy in the Sheriff’s Department, at $10.00 per hour, effective May 21, 2009.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Waste Tire Processing Facility Certification Application for Champlin Tire Recycling, Inc. #2144.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Julie Tyler, RN, effective May 29, 2009.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator presented information on the Medicare Cost Report. The report shows an increase in Medicare reimbursement received, of approximately $30,000 over last years.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator presented information on wages paid Health Department employees compared to other District Health Departments and also the cost to the county if increases were approved. The Board will study the information before any decision is made regarding raises.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly update. Tim Sjogren, appearing on behalf of Jim Sjogren, asked the Board to approve a variance in the separation distance of 50’, for a well and lateral absorption field. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the variance.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the 2010 “Conditions of Grant” Agreement for the JJA Grant Application and explained the changes that were included. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the “Conditions of Grant”.

Arlene Bray and Tom Trost, Chairman of the Cloud County Conservation Board presented the 2010 Budget appropriation request in the amount of $22,000. The Board will take the request under advisement at budget time.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Resource Council meeting on Tuesday, May 19th.

Commissioner Crawford reported he attended the CloudCorp meeting on Tuesday, May 19th and the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Junction City, on Wednesday, May 20th.

The Board recessed at 12:00 noon and resumed open session at 1:30 p.m.
The tour of the Road and Bridge Department and county roads was postponed until a later date since Commissioner Crawford was unable to attend the afternoon session.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported High Plains finished making cold mix last week; they are starting to do rock jobs; and the mowing crew started last week.

Brian Marks, Sheriff visited with the Board about a water leak at the Law Center, last week. The Board approved taking the cost of repairs from the Special Building Fund. Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director requested a 30-minute executive session to discuss land acquisition. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the recessed into a 30 minute executive session at 3:08 p.m. and resumed open session at 3:38 p.m. Also included in the session was Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Kirk Lowell requested a second 10-minute executive session to discuss land acquisition. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a second 10 minute executive session at 3:39 p.m. and resumed open session at 3:49 p.m. Also included in this session was Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

The Board adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JUNE 1, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 1, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Barry Porter, County Appraiser.

Others attending were: Tom and Suzy Tuggle; Dolores and Nick Landry, Convention and Tourism Committee; Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio; Arlene Clayton; Calvin Schultz and Greg Askren, Kansas Crossroads RC&D; Holly Brown, Big Brothers and Big Sisters; Danny McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board.

Signed department monthly expense checks.

Approved department payrolls totaling $117,805.82.
It was reported the Sales Tax and Compensating Use Tax collection for May 2009 was $49,261.64. Comparing this amount to the amount collected ($58,784.46) in May 2008 it is a decrease of $9,522.82.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported Brian Flynn, Comfort Controls and Larry Brownell, Reliable Plumbing & Heating are working on repairs to the water line and air conditioning and heating systems at the Law Enforcement Center.

Tom and Suzy Tuggle visited with the Board regarding concerns they have about the Convention & Tourism Committee.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are completing several rock jobs; will start patching asphalt roads this week; and various other matters.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed his 2010 Budget for Solid Waste and Recycling.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Tom Kearn as part-time equipment operator at the Transfer Station, effective June 1, 2009.

Calvin Schultz and Greg Askren, Kansas Crossroads RC&D discussed several projects being conducted by Kansas Crossroads RC&D. They presented their 2010 budget appropriation request in the amount of $1,200. The Board will take the request under advisement at budget time.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as corrected. (change the word he to the word she in Commissioner Crawford’s report of the meetings she attended.)

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolutions # 14-2009 cancelling check $ 115153 in the amount of $2,733.30; Resolution #15-2009 to cancel check # 115216 in the amount of $500; and Resolution $ 16-2009 to cancel check $ 115213 in the amount of $500.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #17-2009 appointing Starla Borg-Nelson as Acting County Attorney, effective May 28, 2009, due to a potential conflict of interest by the County Attorney.

Holly Brown, Big Brothers Big Sisters reported BBBS will be applying for a Title 2 Grant thru JJA. A requirement of the grant is to submit a letter stating BBBS is not eligible for tax dollars from the County. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the letter.
Barry Porter, County Appraiser visited with the Board about the purchase of a vehicle for his department. The Board suggested he start checking to see what is available.

Danny McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board reported the Cloud County Fair will be July 7th thru 11th. McReynolds gave an overview of projects the Fair Board has completed and a summary of future projects. McReynolds presented the 2010 Budget appropriation request in the amount of $35,000, this is the same about requested in 2009. The Board will take the request under advisement at budget time.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m., until Monday, June 8, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JUNE 8, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 8, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Larry Uri, Interim Concordia City Manager and Wade Carter; Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed various items with the Board.

Walsh requested a five (5) minute executive session to discuss land acquisition. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a five (5) minute executive session at 9:30 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:35 a.m.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they were unable to start patching the asphalt roads last week due to the heavy rains in some areas of the County and hope to be able to start this week; they are selling chemicals; checking on thistle complaints.

Asch present a Joint Road-Waterway Use Permit with Michael Stein for the SW1/4 SW1/4 23-8-3 (corner of Bell and 160th Road). On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the Joint Road Waterway Use Permit.
On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Rebecca Charbonneau as a part-time clerk in the Register of Deeds office, effective June 1, 2009, at $6.55 per hour.

The Board signed letters of congratulations to the CHS Girls Track Team for winning the 4A Girls State Track Championship.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly Department head meeting.

LeDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court reported they have received notification from the Chief Justices the furloughs for court staff has been put off until January 2010. If funds are not allocated by the legislature, the Court System will begin closing one (1) week per month from January through June of 2010.

Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent reported they are getting ready for the Cloud County Fair and for county camp. Gerhardt thanked the Commissioners for agreeing to be the VIP Judges at the Cloud County Fair.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are fixing the wash-outs that were found after last week’s rain; they are spot spraying for thistles; and they will start patching asphalt roads this week.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they are fixing the fence around the Transfer Station; working on the road to the Construction/Demolition Pit; and the Recycling Center shipped a load of clothes last week.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he attended the Manatron Users Conference, in Topeka and he is working on new employee ID cards.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator reported they have been very busy at the Health Dept. and Kay Berk and Paige Rudolph are attending conferences this week.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported they are working on the AC systems and getting started on the waterline at the Law Enforcement Center.

Linda Bogart, Cloud County Clerk reported the Low to Moderate Income Surveys should be ready to mail within the next week or so; they are waiting for the valuation certification from the Appraiser and they are doing preliminary work on budgets.

The Department head meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:00 a.m.
Commissioner Engle and Commissioner Caspers attended the 40th Anniversary Celebration for Campbell and Johnson Engineers on Friday, June 5th.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they shipped a load of clothes on Friday, June 5th. They will be running ads for a part-time equipment operator at the Transfer Station.

Larry Uri, Interim Concordia City Manager and Wade Carter, Internist presented preliminary information regarding the North Development Project.

The Board recessed at 11:42 a.m. and resumed open session at 1:30 p.m.

The Board signed a letter of congratulations to Haley Walsh for being named Cloud County Junior Miss.

The Board signed a letter to Mallory Gilliland wishing her good luck at the National Junior Miss Pageant in Mobile, Alabama.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director presented the 2010 Budget appropriation request for CloudCorp in the amount of $50,000. The Board will take the request under advisement at budget time.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a five (5) minute executive session to discuss land acquisition. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a five (5) minute executive session at 2:06 p.m. and resumed open session at 2:11 p.m. Also included in the session was Kirk Lowell.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a second 10 minute executive session, which will include a conference call with John Denney the County Auditor. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 10 minute executive session at 2:14 p.m. and resumed open session at 2:24 p.m.

Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators visited with the Board about the proposal presented previously regarding wage increases for Health Dept. employees. The Board felt that due to budget concerns they could not approve wage increases for Health Dept. personnel at this time.

The Board adjourned at 3:25 p.m., until Monday, June 15, 2009.
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 15, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator.

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton; Cathy Feriend and Sonia DeRusseau, Cloud County Resource Council; Barbara Henry, Carolee Miner, Patrick Wallerius and Sheila Nelson-Stout, OCCK.

Approved department payrolls.

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented a classification change for Charles Wesley Riley from full-time Corrections Officer to full-time Road Officer (Deputy), at a Grade 14 Step 1, at $14.32 per hour, effective June 5, 2009. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

Marks presented new hire information for Roger Garrett and David Spencer as part-time corrections officers, effective June 15, 2009, at a rate of $10.00 per hour; and the hire of David Tanking as a full-time corrections officer, effective June 15, 2009 at a rate of $13.12 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Garret, Spencer and Tanking.

Marks reported with the classification change for Riley and the 3 new hires his department is now fully staffed.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting Friday, June 12th.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Airport Advisory Board luncheon on Friday, June 12th.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a Right of Way Use Permit with Mitchell County Rural Water District #3 for a buried waterline at the intersection of Noble Road and 100th Road. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the Right of Way Use Permit.
Asch reported that due to safety reasons they have closed a bridge in the NE ¼ Corner of 28-5-2 (located 2 miles east of the UP Corner and South approximately 1/8 mile South); he is working on the 5 year Bridge Plan, which is due to the State by July 1st.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported that because of the weather they had to discontinue work on the road to the Construction/Demolition pit.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators visited with the Board regarding the open position at the Health Dept.

Cathy Feriend and Sonia DeRusseau, Cloud County Resource Council gave an overview of the services provided by the Resource Council and presented their 2010 budget appropriation request in the amount of $5000. The Board will take the request under advisement at budget time.

Barbara Henry, Carolee Miner, Patrick Wallerius and Sheila Nelson-Stout, with OCCK gave an overview of the services provided by OCCK and presented their 2010 budget appropriation request in the amount of $106,094. The Board will take the request under advisement at budget time.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m., until Monday, June 22, 2009.
Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the change for Roger Garrett from part-time to full-time status.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of David Tanking, full-time Corrections Officer, effective June 17, 2009 and David Spencer, part-time Corrections Officer, effective June 19, 2009.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Convention and Tourism meeting on Tuesday, June 16th.

Commissioner Crawford attended the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Westmoreland, on Wednesday, June 17th. During that meeting the Committee voted to raise the per diem charged for juvenile care from the current $115 per day to $125 per day as of July 1, 2009, with an additional increase to $140 per day as of January 1, 2010.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 18-2009 appointing Barry Porter as Cloud County Appraiser for a four (4) year term, ending June 30, 2013.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Elizabeth Anderson as a Health Nurse, at the Health Dept., replacing Julie Tyler, at $16.00 per hour, effective in July.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of Dean Williams to the Cloud County Commission on Aging Board and also as Treasurer of the Commission on Aging Board, effective July 1, 2009.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed problems they are having with the cold mix used for patching county roads.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the transfer of $175,000 from the Road and Bridge Fund to the Special Machinery and Equipment Fund. The amount of transfer was determined by the county auditor after the 2008 audit.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported he spoke about Recycling at the AARP monthly meeting, Friday, June 19, 2009. He attended the Solomon Valley E-Waste Coalition meeting on Wednesday, June 17th, in Osborne, during the meeting it was reported Cloud County has shipped seven (7) loads (32,210 lbs.) of E-Waste.

The Transfer Station and the Recycling Center will be closed on Friday, July 3rd and Saturday, July 4th, in observance of the July 4th Holiday.
Eric Andersen and Lloyd Barnett, Waddell & Reed gave an overview of the 457 Deferred Compensation Plans and ask that Waddell and Reed be considered as a vendor for the Cloud County’s Deferred Compensation Plan. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Waddell & Reed as an approved vendor for the County’s Deferred Compensation plan.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court presented the 2010 District Court Budget in the amount of $113,306, this is an increase of $5000, due to an increase in attorney fees and jury expenses.

Throckmorton, also presented the 2010 budget for the 12th Judicial District in the amount of $44,800, the same amount requested in 2009.

Carol Miller, CASA Director and Larry Henry, CASA Board Member gave an overview of CASA and Hope’s Place, the Child Advocacy Center. Miller reported they are in need of CASA volunteers in Cloud County and anyone wishing to volunteer or receive information concerning CASA may call her office at 785-243-8200.

Miller presented their 2010 Budget Appropriation request in the amount of $13,000, the same as for 2009. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the county budget.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved appointments to the Cloud County Local Emergency Planning & Response (LEPC) Committee. The following persons were appointed:

Chairman: Bob Gering, Rural Fire Chief District #4

Vice-Chair: Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director

State/Local Officials: Gary Caspers, Commissioner and Jon Puckett, Mayor, Miltonvale

Law Enforcement: Brian Marks, Cloud County Sheriff and Dan Parker, City of Concordia Police Chief

Emergency Management: Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director

Firefighting: Bob Gering, Rural Fire Chief District # 4

Dave Jones, City of Clyde Fire Chief

Larry Eubanks, City of Concordia Fire Chief

Richard Schultz, City of Miltonvale Fire Chief

Eric Jochems, City of Jamestown Fire Chief

Steve Graham

Mike Brayton

Max Coleman
Emergency Medical Services: Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director and Steve Graham

Health: Diana Gering and Vonda Pumerlo

Local Environmental Group: Todd Whitney, County Extension Office

Hospital: Marleen Parker, Cloud County Health Center

Transportation: Andy Asch, Cloud County Road and Bridge

Broadcast Media: Joe Jindra, KNCK Radio Station

Community Group: Janet Eubanks, Cloud County Community College
               Melia Hemphill, SRS Resources
               Beverly Mortimer, Superintendent of Schools
               Chuck Nondorf, EMS

Facility Owners/Operators: Larry Brundrige, Valley Fertilizer
                           Marc Derusseau

The Board adjourned at 12:06 p.m., until Monday, June 29, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JUNE 29, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 29, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Randy Sorell, Community Resource Officer; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Robbin Cole, Executive Director Pawnee Mental Health; Dolores Landry, Patricia Lynch, Tourism Committee; Susie Haver and Tammy Britt, Tourism Directors; Tom and Suzy Tuggle; Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio; Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director.
The Board reviewed the monthly expense vouchers for the various departments.

The Board approved payrolls totaling $117,045.73

Larry Eubanks representing the Cloud County EMS Association gave an overview of the Cloud County EMS Association and presented their 2010 Budget Appropriation request, in the amount of $10,000. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the county budget.

Eubanks also presented information on Emergency Preparedness activities.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Commissioner Caspers reported the 2009 June sales tax and compensating use tax totaled $55,343.56.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented the five (5) year Bridge Construction Plan for Board approval. Bridges to be included are located: 3 miles South & 1.75 mi W of Ames; 4 miles South & .75 miles West of Jamestown; .5 miles East & 3.9 miles South of Jamestown and 3 miles North and .25 miles east of Aurora. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 5 year Bridge Construction Plan.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Broadband Forum, presented by the Kansas Dept. of Commerce and Kansas Collaborative. The forum, held at Cloud County Community College on Thursday, June 25th, was one of seven forums held across the State. The purpose of the forum was to discuss and obtain feedback on how broadband access impacts rural communications and the use of the Federal Stimulus money that will be available.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Pawnee Mental Health meeting on Tuesday, June 23rd, in Junction City.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 19-2009 to cancel check # 114881, in the amount of $25.22.

Commissioner Caspers reported on a call he received from a patron, from the Glasco Area, concerning the condition of the Glasco City swimming pool.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented an application for the Waiver of Construction/Demolition Fees for the property located at 432 E. 16th Concordia. On
motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the application.

Murdock reported he received a call, on Friday, from Kansas Department of Health and Environment stating that due to an oversight they (KDHE) had not processed the paperwork for the Permit Modification Request For An Existing Solid Waste Landfill. Murdock stated the proper paperwork was filed, with KDHE, in a timely manner in 2004, and he is working with KDHE to get this matter corrected.

Robbin Cole, Executive Director Pawnee discussed mental health and mental health services provided by Pawnee, both in the ten (10) county service area and in Cloud County. Cole reported on how the Agency will be dealing with the approximately $1 million reduction in State funding for the next year. Cole presented the 2010 Budget Appropriation request in the amount of $68,875, the same amount as 2009. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the county budget.

Susie Haver and Tammy Britt, Tourism Directors presented the Board with samples of the Welcome Bags that are given to visitors. Haver presented the Convention and Tourism 2008 Annual Report, this would be the first year the Transient Guest Tax was being collected at a rate of 5%. Haver explained the Convention and Tourism's proposed budget for 2010 and gave information on the new Community Information Center that will be located in the Tourism office. There are only three (3) qualified CIC in the State and Cloud County is the first to be designated an Official Center.

Tammy Britt explained the impact Tourism dollars has in Cloud County.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. and resumed open session at 1:30 p.m.

At 1:30 p.m. the Board conducted a bid opening for the purchase of a vehicle for JJA. Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director and Randy Sorell, Community Resource Officer attended the bid openings. Bids were received from Babe House Motor Co.; Beloit Auto and Truck Plaza; Beloit Motor Co.; George Motor Company; and Concordia Auto Mart. The Board asked Anderson and Sorell to review the bids and view the various vehicles, to see which would best fit their needs, before a decision is made.

Diana Gering & Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators presented information regarding the installation of a MicroLight Door Protection Systems with Infrared Light Curtain and Microprocessor control on the elevator door at the Health Department. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a proposal from Thyssen Krupp Elevator Co., in the amount of $2,207, for the installation of the MicroLight Door Protection System, with funds to come from the Special Building Fund.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director and Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a 15 minute executive session to discuss land acquisition. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board
recessed into a 15 minute executive session at 3:03 p.m. and resumed open session at 3:13 p.m. Also included in the session was Linda Bogart, County Clerk.

The Board requested a second 15 minute executive session to discuss land acquisition. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a second 15 minute executive session at 3:14 p.m. and resumed open session at 3:24 p.m. Also included in the session were Kirk Lowell and the County Clerk.

Lowell reported Vestas will be bringing the World’s Largest Rubber Tire Telescopic Crane to Cloud County. The crane is being shipped, to Cloud County, from Germany and is expected to arrive mid-July. Vestas is planning to have a Community Day when the crane arrives.

The Courthouse and County offices will be closed on Friday, July 3rd, in observance of the Independence Day Holiday.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented two (2) Applications for the Waiver of Construction and Demolition Fees for 608 Lincoln in the City of Clyde and 418 Broadway in the City of Clyde. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved both applications.

Murdock discussed various other items with the Board.

The Commissioners will be VIP Judges at the Cloud County Fair on Tuesday evening, July 7th.

Gary Dvorak, Area Agency on Aging presented his 2010 Appropriation Request, in the amount of $4,000. The funds would be used as supplemental funding for the staff at the Concordia Senior Center. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the County budget.

Dana Brewer, Cloud County Historical Society gave the Board an overview of proposed projects for the Historical Society. Brewer presented the 2010 Appropriation request for the Cloud County Historical Society, in the amount of $40,725. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the County budget.

The Board recessed at 12:00 noon and resumed open session at 1:30 p.m. for a work session, to review County budget information.

The Board adjourned at 4:15 p.m., until Monday, July 13, 2009.
Others attending were: Lech Wisniewski, Partnership Specialist US Census Bureau; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Brenda Wisbey, Glasco City Clerk; Mary Ballard, Jamestown City Clerk.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $118,181.09.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the Weed Dept. budget; reported they will be starting a rock project on approximately a 3 mile stretch of road from the city limits of Glasco south to the county line.

Asch presented a classification change for Richard Walker. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the change for Richard Walker, due to his completing his 6 month introductory period as an equipment operator, effective July 6, 2009, with a wage change from $12.08 per hour to $13.14 per hour.

Lech Wisniewski, Partnership Specialist US Census Bureau discussed the 2010 Federal Census. Wisniewski reported that approximately 2 dozen people have been hired in Cloud County and a total of 3300 people have been hired from across the State to help conduct the census. During the 2000 census the average rate of forms return was 71% of all the forms sent out and Cloud County’s average rate of return was 72%.

Wisniewski stressed the main concerns of the Census Bureau is: safety and confidentiality; the forms are simple to complete; and the Federal Census sets the formula for the distribution of Federal Tax dollars.

The Commissioners requested the County Clerk be the point of contact for the 2010 Census.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported the 1st half billings for the 2009 Solid Waste fees will be mailed this week; discussed the amount of recyclables collected during the Cloud County Fair, which included 55 lbs. of cans; 21 lbs. of pasteboard; 54 lbs. of plastic and 250 lbs. of cardboard.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Adam Holbert as a part-time Corrections Officer at a rate of $10.00 per hour, and was effective June 23, 2009.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court reported that as of July 1, 2009 the State mileage rated was increased to $.55 per mile. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved continuing to reimburse county employees at a rate of $.505 per mile for use of their personal vehicle,
although the State of Kansas mileage rate will be increased to $.55 per mile, as of July 1, 2009.

Throckmorton discussed the condition of the window covering for the courtroom and Judge’s offices, which have not been replaced for approximately 15-20 years. Throckmorton presented a proposal from Interiors by Jan for faux wood blinds for 11 windows and drapes for the four (4) windows in the 2 courtrooms and valances for the 2 Judges chambers and Magistrate Judges office, at a cost of approximately $4400. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the proposal from Interiors by Jan for the replacement of the window coverings, with the funds to be taken from the Special Building Fund.

The Commissioners were VIP Judges at the Cloud County Fair on Tuesday, July 7, 2009.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency meeting held on Friday, July 10th.

The Board adjourned at 12:20 p.m. until Monday, July 20, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JULY 20, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 20, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Teresa Gram; Gary Reynolds.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed various items with the Board.

Teresa Gram asked about the procedure for a road to be considered for repair and also discussed an on-going road problem on 260th Road between Union Road and Wagon Road.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented information on the Clyde City Council meeting he and Commissioner Crawford attended, last week, regarding the Recycling Program in the City of Clyde.
Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented 2 invoices for the cost of repairs to the Air Conditioning System and asked if the costs could be taken from the Special Building Fund. The Board approved the request.

Johnson and the Board discussed various other maintenance concerns, such as: waterproofing the exterior of the Courthouse building; caulking of the windows in the Courthouse; trimming of trees on the Courthouse lawn; and the need for new mulch to be placed around area of the water feature (ball) on the Courthouse lawn.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Tourism meeting on Tuesday, July 14th and the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Junction City, on Wednesday, July 15th.

Gary Reynolds discussed a problem he is having with a neighbor.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board selected Commissioner Caspers as the voting delegate to the KAC Annual Conference, to be held in Overland Park, November 15-17, 2009.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board selected Commissioner Crawford as the 1st Alternate Voting Delegate and Commissioner Engle as 2nd Alternate Voting Delegate to the KAC Annual Conference, to be held in Overland Park, November 15-17, 2009.


COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JULY 27, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 27, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Ellen Anderson, JJA/Comm Corrections Director; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator; Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Gary May, District Sanitarian.
The Board reviewed monthly department expense vouchers.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $119,232.96.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the 2009 Quarterly DOC Summary reports for approval. The summary will allow for line item transfers within the DOC budget. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the quarterly summary for the line item transfers.

Anderson presented the Carryover Reimbursement Plan for DOC. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the FY2010 Carryover Reimbursement Plan.

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented a personnel classification authorization for the hire of Kimberly Radke, as a part-time corrections officer, at $10 per hour, effective July 20, 2009. On motion by Commissioner Engle, Second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the new hire.

Marks discussed various other items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various items with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Resource Council meeting on Tuesday, July 21, 2009.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the CloudCorp meeting on Tuesday, July 21, 2009.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they shipped 2 loads of cardboard last week; and discussed various other items with the Board.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator and Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed personnel matters with the Board.

The Board acknowledged the termination of Rosemary Anderson, effective July 27, 2009.

Gary May, District Sanitarian reported that during the last two (2) months he has written two (2) permits for the construction of new systems and 3 permits for system repairs; and closed five (5) permits.
May reported he had completed an inspection on property being purchased by Joe Freeborn. Mr. Freeborn asked for an extension of one (1) year to complete the needed repairs to the system located on the property. The Board agreed to allow the one (1) year extension, with repairs to be completed prior to the end of July 2010. Granting the extension will allow Mr. Freeborn to make application to the cost-share program.

The Board recessed at 11:30 a.m. At 1:30 p.m. the Board will tour county roads with Highway Administrator, Andy Asch.

The Board adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
AUGUST 3, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 3, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court.

Others attending were:

Signed department expense checks.

Reported the compensating use and sales tax collection for July totaled $67,206.81, compared to $65,214.67 received in July 2008.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed various items.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a Right of Way Use Permit for Mark Gram, for a buried electrical line to be located 195’ West of the intersection at 260th Road and Wagon Road. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the Right of Way Use Permit.

Asch presented an amendment to the Assignment Clause on the purchase agreement with Martin Tractor for the motor grader purchased last year.
Asch reported they are hauling rock on the 1st mile of the Glasco project; working on pipe inventory; will be sending out bids for 2 pickups; spraying for Johnson Grass; and discussed the Weed Dept. budget.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the last meeting as corrected. (In paragraph 5 to correct a typographical error: On motion by Commissioner Crawford, rather than my Commissioner Crawford).

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security meeting, in Beloit, on Tuesday, July 28th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting, in Beloit, on Thursday, July 30th.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 20-2009 to cancel check #114772, in the amount of $1,251.72; and Resolution # 21-2009 to cancel check #114764, in the amount of $674.00. Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director discussed the equipment that has been received from Homeland Security and the insurance coverage for this equipment.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court discussed the window coverings for the District Court offices.

The Board adjourned at 10:40 a.m., until Monday, August 10, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
AUGUST 10, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 10, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Barry Porter, Appraiser; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were:

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $120,848.65.
Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator presented the resignation of Edythe Cam Koerber, to be effective August 17, 2009. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board accepted the resignation.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported bid specifications have been sent to Babe Houser Motor Co.; Womack Sunshine Ford; and George Motor Co., for the purchase of two (2) pickups. Bids are to be returned to the County Clerk’s Office by August 28th with the bid opening scheduled for August 31st during his regular appointment.

Asch reported they are spraying for Johnson Grass; working on specifications for pipe proposals.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved a variance for the replacement of a septic system at 1818 N 161st Road, upon recommendation from Gary May, District Sanitarian.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 22-2009 to cancel check # 115615, in the amount of $545.20.

The Commissioners will attend an intergovernmental meeting at City Hall on Wednesday, August 12th at 7:00 p.m.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly department head meeting.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported he attended a training, last week, on identity thief; conducting routine patrolling; serving warrants.

Justin Murdock, reported they had shipped 3 loads from the Recycling Center, last week.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are doing rock jobs; working on the 1st mile of road between Glasco and the county line; spraying for Johnson Grass.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported they are continuing to enter data into ORION; their GIS vendor was here last week and did some map updates for the County Clerk’s Office.
Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported the county website is getting a lot of use and he will be doing some updates to the website. Collins is working to remove viruses from a county computer and reminded the department heads to be careful which websites are used.

Diane McNichol and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators reported Elizabeth Anderson has been hired at the Health Department for Immunizations; and discussed the immunization process for the H1N1 virus.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported routine business and will be getting ready for the end of the year processing.

The department head meeting ended at 10:30 a.m.

The Board resumed open session at 10:40 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented the Amendment to the Service and Repurchase agreement with Martin Tractor the backhoe loader.

Murdock reported the inspector was here last week to inspect the tree pile and an auditor was here last week to audit the Construction/Demolition Records; they are continuing to work on the road to the Construction/Demolition pit; they are answering billing questions and preparing for the delinquent Solid Waste hearing next Monday; shipped a load of newspaper to TAMCO Shingle Co., in Phillipsburg, Ks.; and Wednesday he will be meeting with a representative from Clyde to discuss their recycling program.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented 3 proposals of caulking and sealing of the windows and waterproofing the exterior of the Courthouse building. The Board asked Johnson to review the proposals and return with additional information next week.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m., until Monday August 17, 2009.
Others attending were: Tom L’Ecuyer; Naomi Barleen; Arlene Clayton.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported rock has been hauled for the first mile of road south of Glasco and they will need to crush more rock before they are able to start the 2nd mile; have nearly completed spraying for Johnson Grass on county right-of-ways; discussed the sale of chemicals.

At 10:00 the Board conducted the 2008 Delinquent Solid Waste hearing. Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director and Sherry Nelson, Solid Waste Secretary presented the list of 2008 Delinquent Solid Waste fees totaling $5,340. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approve Resolution # #23-2009 to attach any unpaid 2008 Solid Waste fees to the tax roll.

Murdock reported the road to the Construction/Demolition Pit in completed; they are working on the 120 day cover for the Construction/Demolition Pit; the scale at the Transfer Station was certified last week; shipped a load of #8 news last week; he will be working with the schools and college concerning recycling.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the August 10th regular meeting and the August 12th Intergovernmental meeting as presented.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency meeting on Friday, August 14th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Convention & Tourism meeting on Tuesday, August 11th.

Commissioner Caspers, Commissioner Engle and County Clerk Linda Bogart attended the Intergovernmental meeting on Wednesday, August 12th.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the proposals received for maintenance of the Courthouse building, which would include caulking of windows and sealing the exterior of the building. Proposals were received from: Restoration Waterproofing Contractors, Inc; Stockton Restoration Co.; Dustin Timmons DAB Foam Techs, LLC. No decision was made because some of the information on the proposals was unclear.

Johnson also discussed the repair of storm damage at the Health Dept. building.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board allowed Abatement # 2008-201 in the amount of $442.60.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 24-2009 to cancel check # 115642 in the amount of $133.42, due to a billing error.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Octavia Avery as a part-time corrections officer, effective April 11, 2009.

The Board will meet with the County Auditor of Tuesday, August 18, 2009, at 8:00 a.m. to work on the 2010 County Budget.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign a Cooperative Agreement with the North Central-Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging, Inc. and the Riley County Housing Authority. The Riley County Housing Authority will administer the Section 8 Housing Voucher Assistance program from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, United States of America and the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation. The program will assist eligible low-income families, of Cloud County, in finding decent, safe and sanitary rental housing in rural areas and assist with security and utility deposits.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m., until the special session on Tuesday, August 18, 2009.
The Board approved for publication and for public hearing the 2010 budget in the amount of $8,739,831 with an estimated mill levy of 55.668, which is an increase of .500 (1/2) mill. The date of the public hearing was set for 9:00 a.m. on August 31st, in the Commissioners room at the Courthouse.

The session adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
AUGUST 24, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 24, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator.

Others attending were: Gary May, District Sanitarian.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $119,283.54.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the August 17th regular meeting and the minutes of the August 18th special session as presented.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Community Resource Council meeting held on Tuesday, August 18th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Junction City, on Wednesday, August 19th.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a letter to Kansas Department of Transportation requesting a sign on US 81 Hwy and Oat Road indicating the turn to Huscher. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the letter to KDOT.

Asch presented a Right of Way Clearance for Project # 15C-4253-01 located 3 miles South and 1.7 miles West of Ames. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by
Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the Right of Way Clearance.

Asch discussed various other items with the Board.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented the annual cover inspection report received from Kansas Department of Health & Environment (KDHE) for the old landfill site and discussed various other items with the Board.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the proposals for caulking and sealing of windows in the Courthouse building. No decision was made.

Johnson presented the annual Planned Service Agreement with Comfort Controls, LLC for heating and air conditioning services for the Health Department and Courthouse buildings, in the amount of $1,561 for the Health Department building and $1,850 for the Courthouse. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board accepted the annual service agreements with Comfort Controls, LLC.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board accepted the proposal from Cyphers Masonary, in the amount of $530, to repair the storm damaged brick at the Health Dept. building.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, County Health Administrators presented the personnel classification requesting the hire of Shirley Johnson as Home Health RN, to be effective September 2, 2009 at $16.73 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

Gering and McNichols discussed various other items with the Board.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly update.

The Board adjourned at 11:30 a.m., until August 31, 2009.
County staff attending were: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators.

Others attending were: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Brent Eslinger, Commercial Risk Underwriters.

Reviewed department expense vouchers.

It was reported the amount of compensating use tax and sales tax received in August totaled $47,605.33.

At 9:00 the Board conducted the 2010 Budget hearing. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2010 County budget with expenditures of $8,739,831 and an estimated tax rate of 55.668 mills.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Pawnee Mental Health meeting on Tuesday, August 25th, in Manhattan and the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting on August 27th, in Beloit.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security meeting, in Beloit, on Tuesday, August 25th.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved adding a Resolution number (Resolution # 25-2009) to the Right of Way Clearance approved last week for Project 15C-4253-01.

At 9:30 a.m. the Board conducted bid openings for the purchase of 2-2010 pickups for the Road and Bridge Dept. Bids were received from: George Motor Co., in the amount of $19,961 per unit for a total bid of $39,922 for the 2 units; and from Babe Houser Motor Co, in the amount of $18,257.78 per unit for a total bid of $36,515.56 for the 2 units. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the low bid of $36,515.56 from Babe Houser Motor Co. for the 2 pickups.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are crushing rock and KDOT has ordered the sign that will be placed on US Hwy 81 and Oat Road indicating the turn to Huscher.

Commissioner Engle reported he had received a call from Leonard Reedy concerning his road.
Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented a copy of the KDHE Tonnage Audit Summary for the Construction/Demolition site and presented a letter from KDHE concerning the Landfill Annual Cover Inspection for the old landfill site.

Murdock presented a quote from Jackson Glass Shop, in the amount of $253.65 for repairing several windows at the Transfer Station. The repairs would include replacing hinges, weather-stripping and sealing the windows. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the quote from Jackson Glass for the repairs.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented a letter of explanation from Stockton Restoration Company clarifying their estimate for the caulking and glazing of the courthouse windows. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the estimate from Stockton Restoration, in the amount of $7,300 for caulking and glazing of the courthouse windows.

Brent Eslinger, Commercial Risk Underwriters presented information on the availability of his company to prepare a quote for the county’s property and casualty insurance. The Board agreed to provide information so a quote could be provided by Commercial Risk Underwriters.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed various items with the Board.

The Board adjourned at 12:03 p.m.
The Board approved department payrolls totaling #118,285.93.

The Chairman signed department expense checks.

The Board discussed a report of damage to headstones at the Highland Cemetery in rural Cloud County.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator; Mishele Longfellow, Child Care Licensing Coordinator; Linda Cottrell and Melissa Schoenburger, KDHE presented background information and overview of the Child Care Licensing Program. Cloud County is the home county for the 7 county service area, which includes Cloud, Jewell, Lincoln, Mitchell, Osborne, Republic and Smith Counties. Cottrell reviewed the rules and regulations for the child care program; the training procedures and duties of the Child Care Licensing Coordinator; and also the procedures followed if a complaint is filed.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various items with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Rona Awalt as Bookkeeper/Billing Clerk at the Health Dept., effective September 8, 2009, at $11.38 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement #2008-202, in the amount of $70.64.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Gary Caspers as KWORCC voting delegate at their annual meeting and Gail Engle as alternate voting delegate.

The Commissioner participated in KNCK Coffeetime on Friday, September 4 th.

Commissioner Crawford attended the Cloud County Farm Bureau Annual meeting on Thursday, September 3 rd.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various items with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of Janice Morrell to the Cloud County Commission on Aging replacing Jean Kosar.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.
Jeff Bechard, AgMart and Kevin Cowan, Gilmore & Bell presented an overview of Phase II of the AgMart expansion project that has been completed and presented the Bond Resolution for the issuance of $3,469,160 in Series A, B and C bonds to finance the project. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #26-2009 for the issuance of bonds in the amount of $3,469,160 for the AgMart project.

Shirley Gropp, Peoples Insurance requested permission to gather the information required to provide a quote for the county’s property, casualty and workers compensation insurance. The Board gave Gropp permission to contact the County Clerk and request the information needed to provide a quote.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech and Brian Marks, Sheriff visited with the Board about the disposal of a piece of older computer equipment.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m., until Monday, September 14, 2009.
Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Convention and Tourism meeting on Tuesday, September 8\textsuperscript{th}.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a letter of congratulations to Jarold and Linda Hayden for being selected as Cloud County Farm Bureau Farm Family of the Year.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented the Pipe Proposals received from: J & J Drainage Products $30,048.46; D-C Wholesale $30,439.55; and Welborn Sales $30,882.81. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the lowest proposal from J & J Drainage Products, of Hutchinson, in the amount of $30,048.46.

Asch reported they are continuing to work on the 2\textsuperscript{nd} mile of road South of Glasco.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 27-2009 to cancel check # 116003 in the amount of $2,420.00, due to the check being lost in the mail.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly department head meeting.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they are conducting routine patrol; serving warrants and the jail is full to capacity.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court reported the furlough for Judicial employees will begin Statewide in February 2010, with the Court offices being closed for one (1) week in February, March and April; two (2) weeks in May and one (1) week in June. The state is working on a program that will allow for the online payment of all payments due to the court system.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported they have printed Delinquent Redemptions; will be distribute funds this week; and are preparing for the new tax year.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are working on several rock jobs and will begin spraying for Sericea Lespedeza this week.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they are moving dirt for the cover of the Construction/Demolition site. The Recycling Center has shipped 245 Tons of recyclables to date and will have 2 more loads ready to ship this week.

Jerry Collins, Computer Tech reported Manatron is working on our new website; and he has been working to clear viruses from 3 computers.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported routine business in his office.
Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported they are working to keep the Air Conditioner units running at the Courthouse, Health Dept. and Law Enforcement Center, as they have had some problems with the units; they are continuing to mow.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported she and Vonda Pumarlo will be attending the Kansas Home Care Association meeting; Shirley Johnson and Rona Awalt have both started working and the Health Dept. is now at full staff; and they now have the Web-IZ program, which is a Statewide program, that will allow the Health Dept. to track an individuals immunization records.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent reported Glenda Keller, Extension District Director will be retiring on December 31st; the new 4-H year begins on October 1st; the school enrichment programs will begin next week; and the 2010 Cloud County Fair will be July 27th thru 31st.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are getting the budgets in and will be getting ready to certify valuations and set levies so the tax statements can be printed; they are doing some clean-up work on ELVIS, the central voter registration database, to prepare for next year’s elections.

Commissioner Crawford reported she has received calls, this week, and wanted to compliment the Sheriff’s Department and the Road and Bridge Department for the jobs they are doing.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator thanked the Sheriff’s Department for their help in reporting and re-setting of traffic signs when they find them down and also with the removal of branches and limbs from the roadway.

The Department head meeting ended at 10:55 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented an Application for Waiver of Construction/Demolition fees for the City of Concordia for property located at 435 E. 1st. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Waiver.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed various items concerning building maintenance at the Health Dept.

Randy Dick and Ed Claycamp, KAW Valley Insurance, Inc. presented information about their company and the different types of coverage they provide.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m., until Monday, September 21, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
Adjourned session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 21, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators.

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $117,767.23.

Commissioner Engle and Commissioner Crawford attended the dedication at the Jamestown Wildlife Area on Saturday, September 19th.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Commissioner Caspers reported he had received complaints concerning pasture parties being held in Cloud County.

Commissioner Crawford reported Cloud County hosted the Juvenile Detention meeting on Wednesday, September 16th.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they began spraying county right of ways last week; they are continuing to work on the road South of Glasco; and they are cleaning some ditches.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed replacing the motors on the exhaust fans at the Transfer Station, which were installed in 1992 when the Transfer Station was built; they are doing some cleaning at the Transfer Station; and are continuing to work on the cover at the Construction/Demolition Site; discussed a letter received from the City of Miltonvale concerning their Landfill permit.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser discussed the purchase of a vehicle for the Appraiser’s Office and various other items.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed an employee illness policy. The Board asked them to distribute copies of the policy to the department
heads for their review and it will be discussed at the next regular department head meeting, in October. Gering reported the Health Dept. had received some water damage from the rain storm over-night.

Arlene Clayton discussed various tourism related items with the Board.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m., until Monday, September 28th.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a Utility Use Permit request with Cloud County Rural Water District # 1, for a buried waterline across Hawk Road, approximately 200’ east of 155th Road. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the Utility Use Permit.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

Justin Murdock and the Board set the date for the Annual Solid Waste Committee meeting for Tuesday, October 13th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Courthouse meeting room.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a letter to the City of Miltonvale granting their request for a change in the Buffer Zone to 25 feet for both the South and East Boundary lines of the Miltonvale Landfill.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Resource Council meeting on Tuesday, September 22; he helped prepare the breakfast sponsored by the Resource Council on September 26; and he attended the Whole Wall Dedication on Saturday, September 26th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Homeland Security GIS meeting, held at the Courthouse on Wednesday, September 23; attended the North Central Regional Planning meeting on Thursday, September 24th in Beloit; and attended the Whole Wall Dedication on Saturday, September 26th.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a Proclamation designating October as Downs Syndrome Awareness Month in Cloud County.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly update.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed the Health Dept. building.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m.
Regular session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 5, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Charles Lindberg, Deputy Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators.

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $115,793.59. Signed Department monthly expense checks totaling $203,420.31.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as corrected. (when reporting the compensating use tax and sales tax it should have read compared to 2008 and not 2009.)

The Board discussed a request from Gary May, District Sanitarian to approve a variance for Jerry Burgess for the separation of this septic tank from a well from 100’ to 50’ and a variance of the separation from a stream from 50’ to 25’. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved both variances.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Commissioner Caspers as voting delegate and Commissioner Engle as alternate voting delegate to the KCAMP annual meeting, to be held in Overland Park on November 16, 2009.

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented a classification authorization for the resignation of Kimberly Radke, as part-time corrections officer, effective October 5, 2009; and presented a classification authorization for the hire of Nicholas J. Patterson, as a full-time Deputy Sheriff, effective October 5, 2009, at $14.31 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board acknowledged the resignation of Kimberly Radke and approved the hire of Nicholas Patterson.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented classification authorization for Carl Nelson, acknowledging his retirement that was effective October 1, 2009; and a classification authorization for a position change for Verl Florea from truck driver to Truck Foreman, effective 10-5-09, with an hourly rate of $13.62. Asch reported on various road projects and chemical sales.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented a classification authorization for a wage change for Steven Horkman, from $11.83 per hour to $13.14, effective September 5, 2009, due to his having completed his 6 month introductory period. On motion by
Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators continued discussion of the Health Department building.

McNichols presented a contract with KDHE for the H1N1 grant, which runs from July 1, 2009 thru July 30, 2010. Funding received for Phase 1 of the grant total $13,781 and is to be used for the purchase of 2 refrigerators, required for vaccine storage, and for funding of overtime required to conduct the flu-shot clinics; funding for Phase 2, in the amount of $1,000, will be used to monitor and report illnesses and absences from the schools in Cloud County. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the contract for the H1N1 grant.

The Board adjourned at 11:15 a.m., until Monday, October 12, 2009.
Dawn Snyder, JJA Case Manager/Adm. Assistant presented the FY09 Year-End Outcome reports for DOC for signature. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Year End Reports.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #28-2009 to cancel check #116483, in the amount of $189.75, due to the invoice being paid previously.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board accepted the resignation of Melissa Loeffler as Summit Township Treasurer and to appoint Diane Portenier as the new Summit Township Treasurer.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Cereal Malt Beverage License for the Rock Quarry.

ON motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford unanimous vote the Board approved sending notification to the Sibley Township Board of the Cereal Malt Beverage License Application by Star Fuel Investments, Inc. DBA Concordia Travel Plaza.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly department head meeting.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported they are preparing for the new tax year; have sent the unpaid personal property taxes to the Clerk of District Court.

Dawn Snyder, JJA Case Manager/Adm. Assistant reported they are closing their 1st quarter reports.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported the Solid Waste Committee meeting will be held Tuesday, October 13\textsuperscript{th} at 7:00 p.m.; and he and Steve Horkman will be attending the WORKS Conference, in Salina, on October 19\textsuperscript{th} and 20\textsuperscript{th}.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he attended a seminar about computer security and a seminar regarding the updates and changes coming to the Treasurer’s office during the next 2 years; and discussed the computer system currently used by the county offices.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported she and 2 of the Health Dept. nurses will be giving a presentation at the Concordia Senior Center today (Oct. 12\textsuperscript{th}) regarding the H1N1 Virus; reported she will be meeting with the Sheriff’s Department personnel concerning the possibility of assisting with prisoner medications.
Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator reported they have been giving a lot of flu shots; reported the 1st H1N1 nasal vaccine they receive will be for children ages 2 – 9 and children in this age group will need 2 doses of the vaccine; they are working on quarterly grant reports.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported a problem occurred with a valve in the heating/cooling system while they were making the switch from Air Conditioning to Heat at the Courthouse building. Repairs will be made in the spring before switching back to the Air Conditioning unit; they will be draining the marble ball soon.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent gave a report on the fall crops and fall harvest; reported they are taking applications for the Conservation Awards; the new 4-H year started October 1st; Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent is working with the nutrition programs at the schools.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are in the process of setting final values and levies in preparation of generating tax statements.

The Board resumed open session at 11:00 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed a meeting he attended with representatives of KDHE and RMA Engineering Company to discuss the Operation Plans, map and survey plans for the Transfer Station and updating of their Operation Plan; and various other items with the Board.

The Board will be attending the Solid Waste Committee meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the Courthouse meeting room.

Janet Lancaster, Blue Cross and Blue Shield presented information on the 2010 renewal rates for the county medical insurance. No decision was made at the time.

The Board recessed at 12:25 p.m. and will resume open session at 1:15 p.m.

Alan, Dwight and Sandy Housch with ThunderStrike Bowling Alley visited with the Board about the property value and property taxes on their establishment. The Board suggested they contact the North Central Regional Planning Commission, or CloudCorp or the Small Business Development Center for information on possible grants available.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director visited with the Board about the inventory for the equipment received from Homeland Security Grant funds; and discussed various other items with the Board. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Communication System Infrastructure Radio Shared User for Talk Groups Agreement with KDOT.
Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented an estimate from Erickson Contracting for repairs to the roof of the Health Dept. building, in the amount of $2,378. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the estimate from Erickson Contracting. Johnson discussed various other maintenance matters with the Board.

The Board adjourned at 3:10 p.m., until Monday, October 19, 2009.
Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various items with the Board.

LeaDawn Throckmorton reported the blinds and curtains have been installed in the Court offices; discussed various other items with the Board.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser requested a 10 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 10 minute executive session at 10:54 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:04 a.m. The County Clerk was also included in the session.

Connie Walenta with Kastl-Powell Agency, Inc. presented a quote for the county’s property, casualty and workers compensation insurance for 2010. The Board will review the information.

The Board acknowledged the termination of Jennifer Blochlinger as Adult Intensive Supervision Officer, effective October 15, 2009.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Convention and Tourism meeting on Tuesday, October 13th and the JJA Advisory Board meeting on Wednesday, October 14th.

The Commissioners attended the Solid Waste Committee meeting on Wednesday, October 13th.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the employee health insurance renewal, with Blue Cross and Blue Shield, for 2010.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing Resolution # 29-2009 to continue the present Emergency Preparedness Program in Cloud County.

The Board adjourned at 12:20 p.m., until Monday, October 26, 2009.
County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Ellen Anderson, JJA Community Corrections Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager, and Carol Miller, CASA Director.

Others attending were: Scott Condray, Bruce Brown, Toby Duis and John Alexander.

The Board reviewed expense vouchers.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the October 19th meeting as presented.

Scott R. Condray, Attorney discussed a neighborhood dispute regarding road matters on South Kile St., on the behalf of Toby Duis and Bruce Brown. Robert Walsh, the County Attorney is looking further into the matter.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a classification change for the resignation of Larry Florea. His last day will be November 3, 2009. This was acknowledged by the Commissioners.

Asch is also sending letters of interest to consultants for Bridge Project #15 C 4253-01 and discussed various other items with the Board.

John Alexander discussed the Cloud County Lake Project.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director went to the Kansas Organization of Recyclers on October 19-20, 2009 in Salina. The Recycling Center shipped out 377 tons of recyclables.

October 28, 2009 will be the last day for Wednesday night 6:00 hours at the Transfer Station.

Winter hours for the Transfer Station will be Monday thru Friday 8:00 to 4:00 and Saturdays 8:00 to 1:00.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Cereal Malt Beverage License for Star Fuel Investments DBA Concordia Travel Plaza.

Commissioner Engle attended the Resource Council meeting on October 20, 2009 in Concordia.

Commissioner Crawford attended the Juvenile Detention Center meeting on October 21, 2009 in Junction City.
Gary May, District Sanitarian closed 4 permits and issued a new construction permit.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director discussed a fifty cent hourly increase for Christine Witt, Dawn Snyder, Randy Sorell and Rose Spichal. This raise was recommended by the Community Corrections/JJA Advisory Board. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, the Board approved the fifty cent increase in their wages. Commissioner Caspers voted against the raise because a pay increase was denied for all other county employees.

Ellen Anderson, JJA Community Corrections Director, requested a 5 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive session at 11:26 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:31 a.m.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the Cloud County employee Christmas meal on December 21, 2009. He will be advertising in the Blade Empire for bids. The deadline will be November 16, 2009.

Carol Miller, CASA Director discussed the County Health Building.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 p.m.
Sheriff Brian Marks and Undersheriff Mason Johnson discussed why the Sheriff’s department personnel were not going to receive their step-pay increases, even though they have budgeted for them. The Commissioners will review the matter. The Sheriff also discussed various other items with the Board.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols-Co-Health Administrators discussed moving forward on obtaining a new building for the Health Department. They are looking into a lease-to-own contract and the Commissioners are looking further into the matter. They also discussed meeting with the Sheriff’s Department concerning working together on dispensing medications.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the SFY 2010 Contract Attachment #5 for a Family Planning Grant for an additional $4,089.00 to provide a one-time supplemental federal funding to enhance clinical service provision.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Memorandum of Agreement between the Cloud County Health Department and the Republic County Health Department to describe the individual and cooperative responsibilities of the Cloud County Health Department and the Republic County Health Department as they relate to the implementation of Family Planning.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the agreement between the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) and the Cloud County Health Department for a grant of $28,652.00 for the H1N1 vaccine.

The Cloud County Health Department will be holding a walk-in clinic to dispense H1N1 vaccines on Tuesday, November 3 and Wednesday, November 4. They will provide vaccine to individuals who fit into one of the following categories:

- Pregnant women
- Persons who live with or provide care for infants less than 6 months of age (parents, siblings and daycare providers, etc.)
- Children 2 years through 9 years of age
- Children and adolescents 10 through 18 years of age who have medical conditions that put them at higher risk for influenza-related complications. (see note below)

The clinic will run from 4:30 – 6:00 pm both evenings. Please enter though the west doors. There is no charge for this vaccine.
People who wish to expedite the process may fill out a consent form prior to the clinic. Consent forms are available in each of the school offices and are posted on the Cloud County website. The website can be located at www.cloudcountyks.org.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented an authorization for the hiring of James L. Workman as Heavy Equipment Operator. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hiring of James L. Workman as Heavy Equipment Operator at $13.14 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2010 Application for the Kansas Department of Agriculture and the Cloud County Weed Department.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director and Dana Ringer will be attending the KDHE Solid Waste Conference and Operators Training on November 4 and 5, in Salina, KS.

Justin Murdock and Sherry Nelson held a work study session on proposed changes to the Solid Waste Fees and the Construction/Demolition Site.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved to continue with KWROCC & KCAMP for the WorkComp/Property Insurance for 2010.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the purchase of a 2005 Mercury Mariner for $10,500.00 from Concordia Auto Mart for the Cloud County Appraiser’s Office.

Tom Tuggle came to the Board with concerns regarding the appearance and upkeep of the Cloud County Courthouse grounds.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m., until Monday, November 9, 2009.
County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Sherry Nelson; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols-Co-Health Administrators; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Shella Thoman, County Bookkeeper; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Todd Whitney, Extension Agent.

Others attending were: Shawn Brandmahl, Arlene Clayton, Toby Nosker, John Hood, Joyce Hood, Bob Unruh and Matt Farmer.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

The Courthouse and County offices will be closed on Wednesday, November 11, 2009, in observance of Veteran’s Day.

There will be no Commissioner’s Meeting held on Monday, November 16, 2009. The Commissioner’s will be attending the Kansas Association of Counties meeting in Overland Park, November 15-17.

John Hood discussed the building the Health Department wants to buy on a lease-to-purchase contract. He needs further information from the Health Department.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 10 minute executive session, to discuss non-elected personnel, at 9:15 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:25 a.m. Included in the executive session were Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols-Co-Health Administrators.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed various items.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed routine road and bridge matters.

Shawn Brandmahl with the Juvenile Detention Center discussed funding. The numbers are down and the facility can’t use the per diem rate anymore. The Center wants a pre-pay system instead of per diem. The Center’s target budget is $600,000 with all counties sharing the costs. Cloud County’s new portion would have a target budget of $18,392.72, this would be an increase of $11,000.00. This is the proposal. The Commissioner’s will discuss the matter further. It needs to be decided by December.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items.

Commissioner Crawford left the meeting at 10:00 due to personal reasons.
At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly department head meeting.

Shella Thoman, County Bookkeeper attended a meeting for KPERs updates, Tuesday, November 3, in Beloit and a meeting for Human Resources, Thursday, November 5, in Salina.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported the tax statements were mailed out last week. She attended a meeting in Marion County Friday, November 6. By July 2011, the State of Kansas will implement changes to the Motor Vehicle system.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser discussed neighborhood revitalization and various items.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various road matters and chemical sales are up for the Weed Department.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported that he is continually updating the County Website.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various matters and the Recycling Center shipped out a full load of plastics.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols-Co-Health Administrators reported they did 250 H1N1 vaccines last week. For further shot clinics go the county website. They are continuing working with the Sheriff’s Department on medical policies.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent discussed various staffing issues and that the fall crop harvest was looking good. He will be attending a burning workshop in Clay Center on November 12. Conservation tours are on-going. 5,000 daffodil bulbs have been planted around the four county River Valley Extension District. Citizens National Bank in each of the four counties provided the bulbs at no cost to groups who wished to plant them.

Commissioner Engle attended an Employment Law Seminar on November 5, in Salina.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director and Sherry Nelson discussed increasing Solid Waste Fees for individuals and businesses. The new rates will be decided in the November 23 Board meeting.

John Unruh and Matt Farmer with Kansas Wildlife and Parks wanted to thank the County for their support and cooperation for the Jamestown Wet Land Dedication Project. They presented the Commissioners with a wooden Blue Wing Teal.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m., until Monday, November 23, 2009.
Adjourned session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 23, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Sherry Nelson, Secretary; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Harley Adams, CTI; Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager; Leland Tice, KDOT; Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp; John Hood, Casselrock, Inc.; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Susie Haver and Tammy Britt, Tourism Directors; John Alexander; Glenn Knak, Bucher, Willis & Ratliff Engineers.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Harley Adams, CTI; Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp; Leland Tice, KDOT presented information concerning their request for the annexation of property, located in the North Development area, into the City of Concordia. The Board will review the information presented by the group and will make their final determination on the annexation request next Monday.

John Hood, Casselrock, Inc. visited with the Board about the medical building.

Glenn Knak, Bucher, Willis & Ratliff presented information about the services provided by their engineering firm.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented information on the consulting proposals for Bridge 15C-4253-01; and discussed various other items with the Board.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director and Sherry Nelson, Transfer Station Secretary discussed the proposed increase of the Solid Waste fees. Nelson reported the Solid Waste fees have not increased since 1995.

Murdock reported they now have a place for individuals to dispose of ashes from their fireplace, wood stoves, etc. and asked that they stop at the office for directions to the disposal site; and discussed various other items with the Board.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly update.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2009-00001 to #2009-00026 totaling $1,249.84.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Bond for Diana Portenier as Summit Township Treasurer.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of Catherine Newland to the Solomon Township Board.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 30-2009 cancelling check #116889, in the amount of $65.00.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented the proposals received for the Employee Christmas dinner. No decision was made and the Board asked Johnson to ask for further clarification on the presented proposals.

Susie Haver and Tammy Britt, Tourism Directors presented their quarterly report.

The Courthouse and County offices will be closed November 26th and 27th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the letter to the auditing firm approving the 2008 Audit report.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the CloudCorp meeting and the Juvenile Detention meeting on Tuesday, November 17th.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency meeting on Friday, November 13th.

The Board adjourned at 12:43 p.m., until Monday, November 30, 2009.
County staff attending were: Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Leland Tice, KDOT; Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager; Harley Adams, CTI; John Cory; Arlene Clayton; CHS Government Students Colton Adam; Megan Hake; Kaitlyn Dykes; Kyle Cherney; Brandon Anguish; Matthew Istas; Devan Monroe; Michael Trost; Don Dean and Tom Skucius, Campbell & Johnson Engineers.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $114,333.22.

Reviewed the monthly department expense vouchers.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #31-2009 allowing the increase in Solid Waste fees. Effective January 1, 2010, fees will be as follows: businesses and schools are $25.00 per ton or portion thereof per month; $8.00 per month for residences; and $25.00 per ton for construction/demolition was disposal (no free ton).

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #32-2009 finding the annexation of specified property will not hinder or prevent the proper growth and development of the area or any other incorporated city within Cloud County. The first tract of land to be annexed is located in the NE1/4 21-5-3, containing 41.95 acres, more or less, .68 acres public right of way along the North side of the tract; the second tract is located in the NE1/4 21-5-3, containing 15.80 acres, more or less, including 0.70 acres of public road right of way.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #33-2009 finding the annexation of specified property will not hinder or prevent the proper growth and development of the area or any other incorporated city within Cloud County. The tract of land located in the NE ¼ 21-5-3, containing an area of 20.30 acres, more or less, including 0.30 acres of public road right of way along the North side of the tract. The reason for the proposed annexation is to construct and operate the KDOT Area Facility and Sub-Area Facility.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #34-2009 finding the annexation of specified property will not hinder or prevent the proper growth and development of the area or any other incorporated city within Cloud County. The tract of land located in the SE¼ of 16-5-3, containing 20 Acres more or less. The reason for the proposed annexation is to construct a new facility for the conduct of a John Deere franchise and other business activities.

John Cory presented information regarding a dust problem caused by traffic on property which adjoins his property. The County Attorney will check into the matter.
Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed the medical building. The County Attorney will coordinate with Gering, McNichols and John Hood for further information.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported on an injury accident that occurred over the week-end at the intersection of 100th Road and Quail Road. Marks asked about the possibility of installing either a Stop Sign or a Yield Sign at that location. The Board asked the Highway Administrator to check the intersection and see if signage is needed at that location and report back next week.

Marks discussed various other items with the Board.

Donald Dean and Tom Skucius, Campbell and Johnson Engineers stopped by to visit with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he had sent 6 consultant proposals and received proposals from Bucher, Willis and Ratliff; Campbell & Johnson; Kirkham Michael; Cook, Flatt & Strobel. After the selection process was completed Campbell & Johnson was selected as the consulting firm for Bridge Project 15C-4253-01.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented further information on the proposals received for the Employee Christmas Dinner. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved moved to accept the Proposal from Smokehouse BBQ at $6.25 per person, the lowest proposal received.

Arlene Clayton discussed the Glasco Christmas opening held on Sunday, November 29, 2009.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement #2009-2007 totaling $129.88.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security meeting, in Beloit, on Tuesday, November 24, 2009.

The Board adjourned at 11:35 a.m.
Regular session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 7, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Sheryl Williams, Co. Treasurer; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Tech.

Others attending were: Danny McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board; Dennis Burt.

Signed department monthly expense checks totaling $261,645.48.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported the November sales tax and compensating use tax collections totaled $57,566.95.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Robert Walsh discussed various items with the Board.

The Board acknowledged the termination of Mary Thrush as a part-time Corrections officer, effective November 25, 2009.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the North Central Regional Planning meeting, in Beloit, on Thursday, December 3, 2009.

The Board opened bids, submitted by county employees, for 3 older pickups from the Road and Bridge Department.

1988 Dodge ½ Ton 2 wheel drive pickup: Dan Hyman $125
Carl Shrontz $200

1989 1 Ton 2 wheel drive pickup: Carl Shrontz $200

1992 Dodge ½ Ton 2 wheel drive pickup: Carl Shrontz $200
Devin Pearson $300

The Board asked Andy Asch, Highway Administrator to review the bids before accepting or rejecting the bids.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #35-2009, to allow the transfer of funds, in the amount of $12,000, from the Election Fund to the Election Capital Outlay Fund.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved sending notification to the Lincoln Township Board notifying them
of the 2010 Cereal Malt Beverage License Application by Nick Gerard and Grant Garst, DBA The Rock Quarry.

Danny McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board presented the appointments to the Cloud County Fair Board. Appointed to 3 year terms were Jason Wheeler, Sherry Nelson, Jim Jackson and Scot Henderson. Appointed to a 2 year term was Scott Studt. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointments.

McReynolds reported the 2010 Cloud County Fair will be July 27-31st.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Amended Bylaws and Interlocal Agreement for membership with KCAMP.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented a personnel classification for the hire of Travis Mills, as a part-time equipment operator at the Transfer Station, effective December 7, 2009. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

Murdock reported he and P J Owen toured Hamm Quarries on Friday, December 4th.

Murdock asked the Board to remind hunters if deer carcasses are brought to the Transfer Station for disposal they are to be double bagged and placed inside the Transfer Station building.

Dennis Burt visited with the Board about the intersections at 100th and Quail Road and 100th and Noble Road.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech the maintenance agreements on State equipment, located in the County Treasurer’s office, will no longer be provided by the State. As of January 1, 2010 the County will be responsible for paying the maintenance costs of approximately $1,057.20 per year.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m., until Monday, December 14, 2009.
Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Sheryl Williams, Treasurer; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Diane McNichols.

Others attending were: Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director; Chelsea Diggs, CHS Government Student.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $159,887.69.

Commissioner Caspers and Commissioner Engle reported they attended the groundbreaking ceremonies at Cloud County Community College on December 1st.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Resource Council meeting on December 1st and the Chemical Dependency meeting on December 11th.

Robert Walsh, County attorney discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed possible signage at the intersection of 100th and Quail Road. No decision was made at this time. Asch gave an update on the recent snow storm.

The Board conducted the monthly department head meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported they are busy collecting taxes, which are due December 21st.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court reported that when the legislature reconvenes they will receive further information concerning the furloughs that are scheduled for court staff.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they are averaging 25 inmates per day in the jail; the city and county have jointly formed the NCK Special Tactics and Response Team; no major accidents or injuries were reported during the snow storm last week.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported there is still some cleanup to do from the snow storm last week.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the possibility of implementing a security protocol for the Courthouse.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported the purchase of a vehicle for use by his department and discussed the proposed Neighborhood Revitalization Program.
Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they are working on year end contracts at the Transfer Station and the Recycling Center has shipped 417 Tons of recyclables for the year.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager thanked Andy Asch and his crew, from the Road and Bridge Department, for helping with snow removal at the Courthouse and Health Dept.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator discussed the H1N1 Clinics and the Table Top exercise that was held on Monday, December 7th.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are preparing for the end of year reports and will be starting to prepare for the Concordia and Miltonvale City Elections.

The Department head meeting ended at 10:35 a.m.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended a table top exercise on Monday, December 7th, presented by Cloud County Health Center and Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director concerning caring for the elderly in nursing facilities during an ice storm or any local disaster.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2009-00030; 2009-00031; 2009-00039; 2009-00065; 2009-00066 totaling $301.14.

The County Clerk presented a personnel classification sheet for the hire of Lance McCune as an Adult Intensive Supervision Officer (AISO), with Community Corrections, effective January 4, 2010, at $16.65 per hour , to be paid by state grant funds. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the new hire.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various items with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 36-2009 approving the KCAMP Amended and Restated ByLaws and Interlocal Agreement.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp presented the 2010 CloudCorp Funding Agreement, in the amount of $50,000. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the Funding Agreement on the condition the City of Concordia also approves the Funding Agreement in the amount of $50,000.

The Board adjourned at 12:35 p.m., until Monday, December 21, 2009.

COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
DECEMBER 21, 2009
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Adjourned session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 21, 2009 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Jerry Collins, IT Tech, Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Rona Awalt, Health Dept. Bookkeeper; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court.

Others attending were: Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager; Stephanie Read, Dalton Buckland and Adam Reedy, CHS Government Students.

Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager and Jerry Collins, IT Tech discussed the contract for IT Services. Uri stated the City would like to continue the contract for IT Services and suggested the contract be renewed for a period of one (1) year. Collins would provide an estimated 12 hours of service per month, at a rate of $480 per month. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous month the Board approved extending the contract for a period of one (1) year.

Commissioner Engle asked Uri about the TIF Projects and TIF Funding. The Board stated they feel the TIF funds should not be spent for the Broadway Sewer Project but felt it should be used to further economic development.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed various items with the Board.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the intersection at 100th and Quail Road.
On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved sending notification to the Sibley Township Board of the Cereal Malt Beverage Application by Star Fuel Investments, Inc. DBA as Concordia Travel Plaza.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Cereal Malt Beverage License for Nick Gerard and Grant Garst DBA The Rock Quarry.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved re-appointing J. Bradley Lowell as the Non-Lawyer member of the Judicial Nominating Commission for a four (4) year term beginning March 1, 2010 to March 3, 2014.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2009-00068 to #2009-00072 totaling $258.50.

The Board approved the 2010 KWORCC (Workers Compensation) billing in the amount of $73,452.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed the 2010 contract for waste disposal; discussed a supplemental agreement to the hauling contract with Owens Trucking, which will be signed December 28th. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the supplement agreement with Owens Trucking.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 38-2009 to cancel check # 58126, in the amount of $59.10.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution $ 39-2009, to cancel check $ 117129, in the amount of $7,147.80.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator introduced Rona Awalt, Office Manager and discussed billing procedures at the Health Dept.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court reported the State has lowered the mileage reimbursement rate for use of privately owned vehicles from .55 per mile to .50 per mile, effective January 1, 2010.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved lowering the county mileage rate, for privately owned vehicles from .505 per mile to .50 per mile, effective January 1, 2010, to match the State rate.
Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Junction City, on Wednesday, December 16th; the Pawnee Mental Health Board meeting on Tuesday, December 15th; and the Convention and Tourism meeting on Friday, December 18th.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Engagement Letters with Lindburg, Vogel, Pierce, Faris Chartered to conduct the 2009 Audit for Cloud County.

The Board hosted the Employee Christmas Dinner at 11:30 a.m.

The Board adjourned at 1:00 p.m., until Monday, December 28, 2009.
Walsh, John Hood, Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed the medical building.

Walsh requested a 10 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board adjourned into a 10 minute executive session at 9:19 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:29 a.m. Also included in the session was Sheriff Brian Marks.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented Resolution # 40-2009 authorizing the transfer of funds from the Road and Bridge Fund to the Road and Bridge Special Machinery and Equipment Fund, with the amount to be determined by the annual audit. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the Resolution.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2009-00073 to #2009-00075 totaling $301.92.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2010 contract with Pawnee Mental Health.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the reappointment of Johnita Crawford to the Pawnee Mental Health Board for a 3 year term, beginning January 1, 2010 thru December 31, 2012.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director and P J Owen, Owen Trucking discussed the hauling contract and the contract with Waste Management.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a 2 year contract with Waste Management of Kansas, Inc. to accept Cloud County’s non-hazardous Solid Waste at Rolling Meadows Recycling and Disposal Facility, in Topeka.

Murdock presented the 2010 Hauling Contract with Owen Trucking, for approval. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2010 contract with Owen Trucking.

Arlene Clayton discussed Kansas Day activities in Topeka.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 41-2009 appointing Starla Borg-Nelson as Acting County Attorney, effective December 28, 2009.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly update.
Larry Sorell and Dolores Landry, Convention and Tourism Committee members; Susie Haver and Tammy Britt, Tourism Directors presented recommendations for appointments to the Tourism Committee. The recommendations for appointment, for 3 year terms, included: Madonna Sorell; Betsy Reed; Jerry Stenberg; and Linda Houser. The committee also requested the appointment of Ron Hearns to fill the unexpired term of Jill Kearn whose term will expire December 31, 2011. The Board tabled approving the appointments until Monday, January 4, 2010.

On motion by commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved encumbrance requests, totaling $7000. Request included: County Appraiser, in the amount of $4000, for postage for mailing real and personal property value notices; and the Register of Deeds, in the amount of $3000, for an upgrade to the their custom web module.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m.