Adjourned session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 4, 2010 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.

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton; Mari Detrixhe; Larry Sharp, KCAMP; Dolores Landry and Larry Sorell, Convention and Tourism Committee; Susie Haver and Tammy Britt, Tourism Directors; Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio.

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented a personnel classification for the hire of Megan Patterson as a part-time corrections officer, effective December 28, 2009, at $10.00 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

The Board acknowledged the termination of Jamie L. Beiry as Jail administrator, effective December 29, 2009.

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

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 the 2010 Cereal Malt Beverage License for Star Fuel Investments, Inc. DBA Concordia Travel Plaza.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #01-2010 to cancel check # 117237, in the amount of $145.60, due to an incorrect vendor.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented information on the tire specifications he sent out last week. Bids will be accepted, in the County Clerk’s office, until 4:00 p.m. on Friday, January 15, 2010 and will be opened on Monday, January 18, 2010.

Murdock reported they are working on the end of the year tonnage reports; and they have shipped 447.16 Tons of recyclables in 2009, which is 100 Tons more than 2008.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.
Mari Detrixhe presented information regarding a Neighborhood Revitalization Program being considered.

Larry Sharp, KCAMP presented information on the county’s insurance.

Dolores Landry and Larry Sorell, Tourism Committee Members; Susie Haver and Tammy Britt, Tourism Directors visited with the Board regarding the appointments to the Tourism Committee. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board appointed Jerry Stenberg, Betsy Reed, Susan Cantine-Maxsom, and Scott Seifert to 3 year terms, ending December 31, 2012 and Ron Hearns to fill the unexpired term of Jill Kearn, ending December 31, 2011.

The Board adjourned at 12:50 p.m., until Monday, January 11, 2010.
Adjourned session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 11, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Gary Caspers and Johnita Crawford, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Development Director.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $128,465.61.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Commissioner Engle as Chairman for 2010.

Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager and Andy Asch, County Highway Administrator presented a Right of Way Use Permit for the City of Concordia, for a buried water and sewer line along Union Road for approximately 1590’ and along Trail Road from 145th Rd. (US Hwy 81) east 160’. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the ROW Use Permit for the City of Concordia.

Brian Marks, Sheriff asked about wage step increases for his department. After discussion the Board felt no raises would be given at this time.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a 10 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 10 minute executive session at 9:38 a.m., to discuss non elected personnel and resumed open session at 9:48 a.m. Also included in the session was Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a copy of the annual approval certificate from the Secretary of Agriculture naming him Cloud County Weed Director; reported they have 3 motor graders out of commission and are working on repairs; they are working on the Weed Department annual reports.
The Board discussed a letter they received from Jerry Sorell, concerning the intersection at 90th and Gold Road. Andy will check into this matter.

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

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they are working on their year-end reports to the State; she had given a program to the Optimist Club last week on the duties of the Register of Deed.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported they are closing out their year; and they are renewing truck and trailer tags, which are due February 26th.

Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent reported they are conducting their winter meetings; they will have a Master Gardener meeting on Thursday, January 14th; and she is working on the “Year of Peace” Project.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court reported they are waiting on information on the furlough’s for court employees, since the legislature is back in session; they are installing new budget software program for the court system; she will be attending training regarding emergency management and court security training.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported on the snow removal and they are working on annual reports for the Weed Dept.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he is working on the county web-site and installing new computer systems; he will be going to Topeka, on Tuesday, for a meeting on the new software and equipment requirements for the new VIPS system.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they are working on year-end tonnage reports for Recycling; they will be starting their billing for Solid Waste; and he will be on KNCK Thursday morning spotlight this week.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators reported they are working on their year-end reports; the H1H1 clinics will be held every Friday afternoon from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.; they are working on mid-year reports for their grants.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager thanked the Treasurer’s office for helping to decorate the Courthouse for the Christmas season and the Road and Bridge Department for their help with the snow removal.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they are averaging 25 inmates in the jail; they have re-implemented the DARE program in area schools, with the 1st classes held in Miltonvale last week.
Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are completing their year-end checklists; the filing deadline for the April City Elections, in Concordia and Miltonvale, is noon Tuesday, January 26, 2010.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator asked the Board to reconsider the way overtime is computed for weeks that include a holiday. The Board will have the County Clerk check into this and report back to them.

Commissioner Crawford reported she had been asked by several citizens to compliment and thank the Road and Bridge Department for their good work during the snow storm.

The Department head meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m. and regular session resumed at 11:00 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director will participate on KNCK, Thursday morning spotlight on Thursday, January 14th.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 02-2010 approving the county depositories. Central National Bank, was designated the depository for the County Clerk and Sheriff. Citizens National Bank was designated the 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 Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 03-2010 designating the Concordia Blade Empire as the Official County Newspaper for 2010.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #04-2010 to approve the Waiver to the General Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2009-00079 to #2009-00080 totaling $278.98.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director discussed various items with the Board.

After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to continue committee appointments as follows:

Commissioner Crawford: North Central Regional Planning Commission CloudCorp Board
JJA/Community Corrections Advisory Board
Convention & Tourism Board
Juvenile Detention Committee

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

Commissioner Engle:  Rural Lakes Local Environmental Protection Program
Community Resource Council
Chemical Dependency Committee
Alternate to Solomon Valley e-waste committee

All Commissioners will serve on the following committees:  Solid Waste Committee; Health Advisory Board; Sanitary Code Committee.

The Board also designated the County Clerk as Freedom of Information Officer; Dr. Roger Warren as District Coroner; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager as ADA/Safety Coordinator; and Justin Murdock to the Solomon Valley E-Waste Committee.

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

Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Development Director presented updated information on the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan being proposed.  The Board suggested this could be a topic for discussion at the next intergovernmental meeting on February 10, 2010.

The Board adjourned at 2:45 p.m. until Monday, January 18, 2010.
Adjourned session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 18, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, 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.

Others attending were:

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

Marks presented a classification change for Jim Lynn, Jr. from Corrections Officer to Interim Corrections Sgt., effective December 30, 2009, with an increase from $13.12 per hour to $14.31 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of Jim Lynn, Jr. as interim Corrections Sgt.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2010 Employment Agreement for Andy Asch, Highway Administrator, with a salary of $39,064.06 plus $13,300 for extra duties as Weed Director.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted the bid openings for tires for the Transfer Station. Bids were received from Commercial Tire Center, Salina in the amount of $227.54 per tire or a total of $2,730.48; and from Kansasland Tire, Concordia in the amount of $251.29 per tire or a total of $3,015.45. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the lowest bid from Commercial Tire Center.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2010 Employment Agreement with Justin Murdock, as Solid Waste Director at a wage of $16.85 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.
The Board acknowledged the termination of Jarrod McIntosh as a Surveillance Officer, due to not working since 2006.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator presented a classification change for Rona Awalt from Bookkeeper/Billing Clerk to Office Manager, with no change in pay. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2010 Employment Agreement for Diana Gering at a wage of $33,150 plus $5,000 for extra duties as co-health administrator.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2010 Employment Agreement for Diane McNichols at a wage of $32,838 plus $5,000 for extra duties as co-health administrator.

McNichols presented a contract with Dr. Justin Poore as County Health officer, at a rate of $252 per month. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Contract with Dr. Poore.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2010 Employment Agreement with Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager, at a rate of $15.71 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved sending a letter to the Editor of the Concordia Blade Empire regarding the City of Concordia’s use of TIF Funds. The letter would read as follows:

“As County Commissioner, we are concerned with the City of Concordia’s plan to use TIF Funds for doing sewer or street projects with no direct economic development attached. It was the understanding of past commissioners that TIF funds were to be used for economic development. Our fear is that if TIF money is used for the 5th Street or Broadway sewer project, with no development to pay into TIF, that we will no longer have any money to help the next development project. Around one third of the TIF funds are from the county portion of tax dollars and we feel these proposed projects do not benefit the entire county. As County Commissioners, we have tried to improve relations with the city by waving demolition fees, at the transfer station, to help clean up unsightly properties and also by sharing an IT person with the City. We hope the City Commissioners will rethink their plans and use TIF funds for economic development with the best interest of all Cloud County taxpayers in mind.”
On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement # 2009-00083 thru #2009-00087 totaling $453.82.

Commissioner Engle reported he participated on KNCK Coffeetime on Friday, January 15, 2010.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the JJA meeting on Wednesday, January 13th and the Tourism meeting on Tuesday, January 12th.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon until Monday, January 25, 2010.
Adjourned session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 25, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Gary May, District Sanitarian

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

The Board reviewed the expense vouchers for the various departments.

The Board approved the department payrolls totaling $116,871.26.

On motion by Commissioners Capsers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2009-00081, #2009-00089, #2009-00091 totaling $230.53.

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

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various road issues with the Board; reported they are needing to replace a dump truck this year; and there will be new regulations regarding road signs which will need to be implemented before 2014.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, 2nd by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a personnel classification change for Jim Lynn, Jr. from Interim Corrections Sgt. to Corrections Sgt., effective January 25, 2010.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a classification change for Megan Patterson from part-time corrections officer to fulltime corrections officer, effective January 25, 2010, at a rate of $13.12 per hour.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported Solid Waste billings for the last half of 2009 Solid Waste fees have been mailed; and they received their trailer tires last week.
Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented a proposal for the replacement of (4) 5” valves for the boiler chiller water loop system. The proposal was received from American Boiler & Mechanical, Salina, Kansas, in the amount of $3,684. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the proposal from American Boiler and Mechanical in the amount of $3,684.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Marvin Florea as a temporary custodian, effective January 25, 2010, at a rate of $7.25 per hour, due to the current part-time custodian is off on medical leave.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly update.

Christy Rogers; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators presented information about a new program on Breast Feeding that is being offered to new mothers thru the WIC grant.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Juvenile Detention meeting on Wednesday, January 20, 2010.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m.
Regular session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 1, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, 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 Administrators; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer.

Others attending were: Mary Thrush; Arlene Clayton; Robbin Cole, Executive Director Pawnee Mental Health; Burl Maley and Steve Breeding, Chemical Dependency Committee.

Mary Thrush discussed employment matters with the Board.

Brian Marks, Sheriff was present for bid openings for a replacement vehicle for the Sheriff’s Department.
Bids were received from:
   Babe Houser Motor Co. for a 2010 work truck $29,304 and a 2010 LS PU $30,769.
   Womack Sunshine Ford for a 2010 XLT PU $23,368.65 and a 2010 XL PU $22,316.65

Before a decision is made the Board suggested Sheriff Marks inspect the vehicle to determine which would best suit the needs of his department.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer presented information on the compensating use and sales tax revenue received in January (December collections) in the amount of $55,053.58.

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

Commissioner Caspers reported he and Commissioner Engle attended the Dig Safe meeting on Monday, January 25th.

Commissioner Crawford attended the CloudCorp meeting on January 25th; the Pawnee Mental Health meeting, in Clay Center, on January 26th; and the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting, in Beloit, on January 28th.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.
Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various recycling matters with the Board.

Robbin Cole, Executive Director for Pawnee Mental Health Executive Director gave the Board an overview of how the state budget cuts will impact Pawnee Mental Health and their 10 county service area.

Burl Maley and Steve Breeding, Chemical Dependency Committee gave an overview of the 2009 expenditures and presented the 2010 Funding Agreement, in the amount of $17,473, for Board signature. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the funding agreement.

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

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed leasing the medical building from John Hood. The Chairman will visit with Mr. Hood and ask him to come in next Monday, at 9:00 a.m. to discuss a lease agreement.

Carl Eyman, KWORCC presented Cloud County with a 1st place award for our exceptional loss ratio for 2008, for groups of our premium size.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2009-00092 thru #2009-103 totaling $2,746.68.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 05-2010 to cancel check # 117509, in the amount of $22.65.

Commissioner Engle reported the Community Resource Council meeting on Wednesday, January 27th.

The Board adjourned at 2:35 p.m., until Monday, February 8, 2010.
Adjourned session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 8, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: John and Joyce Hood, Casselrock, Inc.; Toby Nosker, KNCK.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator; John and Joyce Hood, Casselrock, Inc. discussed the items to be included in the lease of the medical building, for the Health Dept. use. Walsh will prepare the lease for signature.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed the bids for the replacement vehicle for his department. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the bid from Womack’s for a 2010 XLT Pickup, in the amount of $23,268.65.


On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2009 Noxious Weed Annual Report.

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

Linda Bogart, Cloud County Clerk reported department inventories are due; preparing for the City General Election and USD 334 Special Question Election on April 6th; Cloud County will be hosting the NCK District County Clerk’s meeting on Thursday, March 11th, at the Concordia Country Club.
Brian Marks, Sheriff reported the NCK Star Team now included 3 officers from Republic County and 3 officers from Mitchell County, as well as 3 Cloud County officers and 3 City of Concordia officers.

Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent reported John Forshee is the new Director for the River Valley Extension District and will be located at the Clay Center office; David Coltrain is the new horticulture and economic development agent and will be located at the Washington County office; Walk Kansas will be starting on March 7th.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator reported she is finishing the 2009-2010 grants and will be starting on the 2010-2011 grants; and are still conducting the H1N1 clinics on Fridays.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported they are working on the HIPPA Red Flag Identity Theft Policy for the Health Dept.; and she has been attending meetings to learn how cuts in Medicaid will affect the Health Dept.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported they have been doing snow removal and are making repairs on the heating systems.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they are dealing with the cold weather; and they have shipped approximately 42 tons of recyclables this year.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he is installing new computers and systems.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are continuing to remove snow and do as much road work as possible due to the weather; doing some tree work.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney reported they are busy due to the increased activity by the Sheriff’s Dept. and Concordia Police Dept.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported the personal property renditions need to be returned by March 15th; they are completing final reviews for the year; he will appear on Coffeetime on Friday, February 12th.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court discussed legislation regarding the court system.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported their new computers have been installed; the deadline for renewing tags for trucks, with a weight of over 12,000 lbs., and trailers is Friday, February 26th; delinquent personal property letters will be mailed next week.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they are still working with Manatron on the program that will allow the public to view images of deeds on the county website.
The Department head meeting ended at 10:35 a.m. and the Board resumed open session at 10:40 a.m.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement #2009-00104 in the amount of $100.00.

On motion by Commissioners Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 06-2010 to cancel check #117400 in the amount of $19.26.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of the following persons as part-time corrections officers, effective February 4, 2010, at an hourly rate of $10.00 per hour: Ronald William Powers; Tonya Lynn Johnston; Valerie J. Sheely; and Marty E. Frost.

Commissioner Engle reported he would not be attending the Tuesday, February 16th meeting.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported he had submitted the facility plan for the Transfer Station to KDHE for approval; a motor on another exhaust fan, at the Transfer Station, is going out and will need to be replaced; will be needing to purchase a printer for the Recycling Center computer.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court discussed legislation concerning furloughs for court employees; discussed a conference she attended last week regarding court security and continuity of operation plans.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the need for an emergency generator for the Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center. The Board asked Johnson to check on the size of generator required and the cost estimate; discussed repairs that need to be made to the circulating pump for the heating and cooling system at the current Health Dept. building; discussed the removal of asbestos from the areas around the four (4) valves that will need to be replaced on the boiler at the Courthouse. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the estimate from F & H Insulation, Inc., in the amount of $1,188.00 for the removal of the asbestos.

The Commissioners will attend the Intergovernmental Meeting at Concordia City Hall, on Wednesday, February 10th, at 6:30 p.m.

The Courthouse and County offices will be closed Monday, February 15th in observance of the President’s Day Holiday.
The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. until Tuesday, February 16, 2010
Adjourned session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 16, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present. Gail Engle, Chairman was unable to attend.

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

Others attending were:

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous Commissioner Caspers was appointed Chairman Pro-Tem due to the absence of Commissioner Engle.

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

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a personnel classification for the hire of Nathan LaBarge as a construction laborer, effective March 1, 2010, at an hourly rate of $11.02 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire. Asch discussed other routine Road and Bridge matters.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the February 8th regular meeting and the February 10th Intergovernmental meeting as presented.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attend the Tourism meeting on Tuesday, February 9th.

All of the Commissioners and the County Clerk attend the Intergovernmental meeting on Wednesday, February 10th, at Concordia City Hall.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2009-105 thru #2009-109 totaling $560.66.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various routine Solid Waste matters with the Board.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved sending notice to the Lincoln Township Board for the application of a Cereal Malt Beverage License by the Cloud County Fair Association.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager and Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed the need for an emergency generator for the Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center. The Board asked Johnson to arrange a meeting with Larry Stoss of Bucher, Willis and Ratliff to discuss the matter.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m. until Monday, February 22, 2010.
Adjourned session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 22, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: John and Joyce Hood; Toby Nosker, KNCK, Inc.; Gary May, District Sanitarian; Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Development Director.

The Board reviewed department monthly expense vouchers.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $119,501.09.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney; John and Joyce Hood, Casselrock, Inc.; Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators discussed the provisions of the lease for the medical building.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing letters of congratulations to Mary Lisa and Lowell Thoman and Gloria and Noel Hanson on receiving the Kansas Bankers Awards.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2009-00110 to 2009-00113 totaling $378.14.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on February 12th and participated on KNCK Coffeetime on Friday, February, 19th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Junction City, on Thursday, February 18th.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented the Interlocal Agreement for participation in the Solomon Valley E-Waste Coalition. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the agreement.
Murdock reported he visited with Mike Selm, KDHE Site Engineer, last week regarding plans for the permitting of the Construction/Demolition site at the Transfer Station for future expansion.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved not participating in the Construction/Demolition Waiver Program in 2010.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly update.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they have purchased a 2006 Peterbilt Dump Truck at a cost of $45,850, from Doonan Truck & Equipment of Wichita.

The Board recessed at 11:45 a.m. and resumed open session at 1:30 p.m.

Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Development Director visited with the Board about the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. Commissioner Engle asked Detrixhe to obtain letters from each of the entities stating their support of the Plan, before final approval is given by the Commissioners.

The Board adjourned at 2:10 p.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 1, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager.

Signed monthly department expense checks.

The Board received information from Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer regarding the compensating use and sales tax collections (January collections), in the amount of $51,903.17, compared to $58,564.73 for 2009.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager discussed Tax Increment Financing (TIF).

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed possible repairs to the hot mix plant; a road issue at 110th and Key Road; and reported he will be attending the annual Noxious Weed Conference, in Great Bend, March 2nd – 4th.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they are going to have some of the signs at the Transfer Station refurbished; and he and Dave Walker will be attending the WORKS Conference, in Junction City, March 23-25.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2009-00115 thru #2009-00129 totaling $372.28.

Abatement # 2009-00115 was allowed Dennis Erkenbrack, Concordia City, in the amount of $15.04, due to the penalty being reduced.

#2009-00116 thru #2009-00121 was used for escaped taxes.

Abatement # 2009-00122 was allowed Bryant & Ella Thurston, Summit Township, in the amount of $14.20, due to the truck having an antique tag on it.

Abatement # 2009-00123 was allowed Bryant & Ella Thurston, Summit Township, in the amount of $13.20, due to the truck having an antique tag on it.

Abatement #2009-00124 was allowed Waylon Lawson, Sibley Township, in the amount of $137.42, due to the wrong vehicle class code was used.
Abatement # 2009-00125 was allowed Dennis, John and Colleen Larsen, Grant Township, in the amount of $12.32, due to the 1991 Fork pickup was parted out in Nov. 2008.

Abatement # 2009-00126 was allowed Terrance Britt, Jamestown City, in the amount of $47.58, due to the penalty being reduced.

Abatement # 2009-00127 was allowed Julius Wahl, Starr Twp., in the amount of $66.46, due to the property owner has been deceased for over 4 years.

Abatement # 2009-00128 was allowed Julius Wall, Starr Twp., in the amount of $36.00, due to the owner of the vehicle has been deceased for over 4 years.

Abatement # 2009-00129 was allowed Ronda Copple, Concordia City, in the amount of $30.06, due to the bike being wrecked but a tag was bought for 2009.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security meeting, in Beloit, on Tuesday, February 23rd.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting, in Beloit, on Thursday, February 25th and the CloudCorp Directors meeting on Friday, February 26th.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the 2010 Cereal Malt Beverage license for the Cloud County Fair Board.

The Board adjourned at 10:40 a.m., until Monday, March 8, 2010.
Adjourned session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 8, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Jan Price, Deputy County Appraiser; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Others attending were: Tom Tuggle; Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager; Larry Stoss, Bucher, Willis and Ratliff; Terry Koch, Mayor of Clyde; Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Development Director; Toby Nosker, KNCK, Inc.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $122,674.90.

Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager presented the information requested by the Commissioners concerning the TIF Project that have been completed prior to this year so the TIF file would be complete.

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

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented the Agreement for Federal Aid Construction Engineering Inspection Services by Consultant for Bridge Project 15C-4253-01. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Agreement. Asch discussed other routine Road and Bridge and Weed Dept. matters.

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

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported his department had solved the burglary at the Clyde School, which occurred in October or November; and their replacement vehicle has been ordered and will be here in approximately 2-3 weeks.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported the delinquent personal property tax warrants have been sent to the Sheriff; and they will be printing 2nd half tax statement this month.

Jan Price, Deputy Appraiser reported they are working on 2010 Final values; and working personal property returns.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are doing tree work and crushing rock when the weather permits; he is working on the 5 year bridge plan that is due into the State on March 24th; and he is checking chemical prices for this year.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported Geisler Roofing will be repairing the roof at the Recycling Center; and they are having the signs at the Transfer Station refurbished; they are ready to ship a load of newspaper and plastic.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported they are preparing for “Ladies Night Out” which promotes Breast Cancer Awareness and Heart Health.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator reported they are working on their grant applications; and the number of immunizations given is increasing and they will be giving immunizations on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported they had the pump, at the Health Dept., rebuilt; and discussed complaints he has received about the parking South of the Courthouse.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are preparing for the April 6th General Election; and they will be hosting the North Central Kansas County Clerk’s Association District meeting on Thursday, March 11th.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of the District Court discussed furloughs for court employees.

The department head meeting ended at 10:20 a.m.

The Board resumed open session at 10:30 a.m.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 07-2010 to cancel check # 117863, in the amount of $318.00, due to it being a duplicate payment.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #08-2010 to cancel check # 118073, in the amount of $113.00, due to it being a duplicate payment.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2009-130 thru #2009-00136 totaling $337.36.
Abatement #2009-00130 was allowed Nathan Vanous, Concordia City, in the amount of $30.46, due to the boat was included on another property tax rendition.

Abatement #2009-00131 was allowed Neb-Kan Feeders, Elk Township, in the amount of $143.10, due to the 2002 GMC and 1995 Ford pickups were sold in 2002.

Abatement #2009-00132 was allowed Devin Renkin, Concordia City, in the amount of $124.04, due to the 2006 Schwin motor bike was tagged in Ellis County in 2009.

Abatement #2009-00133 was allowed Justin & Darlene Schmidt, Lyon Twp, in the amount $4.78, due to a change in value on the tractor.

Abatement #2009-00134 was allowed Loren Joe Schmidt, Solomon Twp., in the amount of $4.76, due to a change in value on the 1999 GMC.

Abatement #2009-00135 was allowed Bill Jackson, Miltonvale City, in the amount of $14.06, due the 1967 Mark Twain boat being listed on another property tax rendition.

Abatement #2009-00136 was allowed Arthur and Cathy Miller, Concordia City, in the amount of $16.16, due to the penalty being reduced.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported the roof on the west building at the Recycling Center has a piece of tin loose and Geislers will be making the repairs today; they are needing more rock for the loading dock at the Recycling Center; and the Transfer Station will begin their late hours on Wednesday March 17th.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Larry Stoss, Bucher, Willis & Ratliff; Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed the generator for the Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center. No decision was made.

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

Terry Koch, Clyde Mayor; Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Development Director visited with the Board regarding the County-Wide Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the publishing of a public notice, for 2 consecutive weeks, of their intent to adopt the county-wide Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. The Board set the Public Hearing for March 29th at 10:45 a.m.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented Resolution # 09-2010 for the confirmation of appointments of the following persons to the JJA Advisory Board: Craig Cousland, Beloit City Council Member, as Beloit City Commission Representative; Gary Frint, Belleville Chief of Police, as Law Enforcement (Chief Of Police) Representative; Gene Helms, Washington County Commissioner, as Washington County Commission Representative; Brian Marks, Cloud County Sheriff, as Law Enforcement (Sheriff) Representative; Bev Mortimer, USD # 333 Superintendent, as Education
Representative; Mark Rothfuss, Outpatient Therapist, as Mental Health Representative; Denis Shumate, Community, as Mitchell County Commissioner Representative; Guy Steier, Cloud County Magistrate Judge, as Judiciary Representative; Regine Thompson, Attorney, as Belleville City Commission Representative; Robert Walsh, Cloud County Attorney, as Prosecution Representative. On motion by Commissioner Capsers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #09-2010 confirming the appointments to the 12th Judicial District Community Corrections Advisory Board. Anderson discussed the JJA and Community Corrections grants.

The Board adjourned at 2:50 p.m., until Monday, March 15th.
Adjourned session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 15, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton

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

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a 30 minute executive session for the discussion of attorney/client privileges. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved recessing into a 30 minute executive session at 9:22 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:52 a.m.

Walsh requested a second 10 minute executive session of the continued discussion of attorney/client privileges. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved recessing into a 10 minute executive session at 9:56 a.m. and resumed open session at 10:06 a.m.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various routine Road and Bridge and Weed Dept. matters.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various routine Solid Waste and Recycling matters.

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

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Convention & Tourism Committee meeting on Tuesday, April 9th.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved and allowed the Chairman to sign the requested By-Law changes for the Cloud County Commission on Aging.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the grant application for the Health Dept. amounts as follows: State Formula $7,000; Family Planning, $109,030;
Maternal & Child Health $45,244; Child Care Licensing & Regulations $37,529; Immunization Action Plan $108,052 for a total of $306,855.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser requested a 10 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 10 minute executive session at 11:05 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:15 a.m.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2009-00137 thru #2009-145 totaling $357.16.

Abatement #2009-00137 was allowed Eugene & Marcus Crannel, Glasco City, in the amount of $51.58, due to the 1992 Dodge Stealth has a salvage title, and he is parting it out.

Abatement #2009-00138 was allowed Eugene & Marcus Crannel, Glasco City, in the amount of $44.70, due to the 1992 Dodge Stealth being parted out.

Abatement #2009-00139 was allowed Jack Reed, Concordia City, in the amount of $8.08, due to the penalty being reduced.

Abatement #2009-00140 was allowed Darrin Collette, Clyde City, in the amount of $93.28, due to the boat being sold.

Abatement #2009-00141 was allowed Darrin Collette, Clyde City, in the amount of $7.86, due to the 1967 boat motor was sold and had no signed rendition.

Abatement #2009-00142 was allowed Darrin Collette, Clyde City, in the amount of $8.08, due to the boat motor was sold.

Abatement # 2009-00143 was allowed Jammie S. Kreiter, Concordia City, in the amount of $11.46, due to the penalty being reduced.

Abatement # 2009-00144 was allowed Jason Kreiter, Concordia City, in the amount of $38.14, due to the 1978 boat and motor being sold.

Abatement # 2009-00145 was allowed Anthony Higle, Glasco City, in the amount of $93.98, due to the 1975 Beechcraft boat was sold in 2007 and penalty was reduced.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m. until Monday, Marcy 22, 2010.
Adjourned session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 29, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, 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; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Others attending were: John Cory; Erik Duenas, Chris Parras, and Jaimie West, CHS Government Students; Leonard Reedy; Arlene Clayton; Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Development Director; Gary May, District Sanitarian; Toby Nosker, KNCK.

The Board reviewed the monthly expense vouchers for the various departments.

Robert Walsh and John Cory discussed a dust and dirt problem created by the truck traffic going to and from the business located on property adjacent to his. Walsh discussed the options for resolving the problem and he stated he will contact the State to have them investigate this matter.

Commissioner Caspers reported a problem he received concerning property located on the edge of Miltonvale.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported to the Board there were 3 burglaries in Miltonvale and 2 in Delphos over the week-end and he is working with the Ottawa County Sheriff’s Dept. on these cases.

Marks presented a personnel classification for the hire of Amber Fellows as a part-time corrections officer, effective March 26, 2010, at a rate of $10.00 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator and Leonard Reedy discussed a road problem. Asch stated they are trying to crush a supply of rock, when weather permits, and they should be able to start on his road this spring.

Asch reported several road signs were damaged over the week-end on Quail Road between 120th Road and 140th Road: they sent out specifications last week for tire bids, which need to be returned to the County Clerk’s office by 4:30 p.m. on April 9th and the bid opening will be held on Monday, April 12th at 9:30 a.m.; reported he has received
information on chemical prices for this year; and discussed other routine road and bridge matters.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director gave a report on the WORKS Conference they attended last week.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed the purchase of furnishings for the health department building. The Board asked them to visit with John Hood about this matter before a decision is made.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Pawnee Mental Health meeting on Tuesday, March 23rd and the North Central Regional Planning meeting on Thursday, March 25th.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security meeting, in Beloit, on Tuesday, March 23rd.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as corrected. (Travis Mills, equipment operator resigned from the Transfer Station rather than the Recycling Center.)

The Board conducted a public hearing concerning the adoption of the proposed County-Wide Neighborhood Revitalization Plan for Cloud County. After discussion and no objections receive and on motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 2010-12 adopting the County-Wide Plan.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly update.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the board approved the appointment of Ted Samuelson to the Cloud County Commission on Aging Board.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 13-2010 appointing Starla Borg-Nelson as acting County Attorney in case # 10-CR-51, due to a potential conflict of interest by the County Attorney.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the 2011 JJA Grant Application for signature. The total grant funds being applied for $266,754. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the chairman to sign the grant application.
LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of the District Court reported that due to state budget cuts all District Court offices state-wide will be closed on April 9, 16, 23 and May 7.

Larry Eubank, Emergency Preparedness Director presented the 2010 Emergency Management Performance Grant application in the amount of $8,454.38, for signature. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the grant application.

The Board discussed the possibility of hosting the quarterly Intergovernmental meeting in May.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m.
Adjourned session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 5, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Robert Walsh, Co. Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; and Barry Porter, Appraiser.

Others attending were: Corey Timmons and Jacob Shutts, CHS Government Students; Carol Miller, CASA Director; Crystal Paredes, Jennie Thrash and Cameron Presler, Domestic Violence Association of Central Kansas; Greg Peltier; Joe Reedy.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $120,936.16.
Signed department monthly expense checks.

Sheryl Williams, Co. Treasurer reported the compensating use and sales tax collections for March (February sales) totaled $64,075.83, compared to the $67,308.44 received in March of 2009.

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

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented the Authority to Award Contract for Project 15-4253-01. Bid letting was held on March 24th and L & M Contractor from Great Bend, Kansas was selected as the contractor for the project. Cloud County’s share of the project will be $56,700, which is an estimated 20% of the combination of bid plus 10% for construction, engineering and contingencies. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Authority to Award Contract.

Asch discussed various other Road and Bridge matters with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, 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 Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved sending a letter of congratulations to USD 224 Superintendent and students for being selected as the 2010 Kansas Green School of the Year.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2009-148 thru #2009-150 totaling $378.76.
Abatement # 2009-00148 was allowed Steven G. Sorensen, Lincoln Twp., in the amount of $112.14, due to the valuation being reduced due.

Abatement # 2009-00149 was allowed Steven G. Sorensen, Lincoln Twp., in the amount of $114.24, due to the valuation being reduced.

Abatement # 2009-00150 was allowed Nancy Honhorst, Jamestown City, in the amount of $152.38 due to the valuation being reduced.

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

The County Clerk, on behalf of the County Appraiser, presented a personnel classification change for Nancy Owen from Personal Property Clerk to Deputy County Appraiser, at $13.75 per hour, effective April 19, 2010. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the change due to a retirement in the office.

The County Clerk, on behalf of the County Appraiser, presented a personnel classification sheet for the hire of Heather Whitesell as Office Manager for the Appraiser office, at $13.25 per hour, effective April 19, 2010. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the new hire.

Carol Miller, CASA Director presented a Proclamation designating April as Child Abuse Prevention Month In Cloud County. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Proclamation.

Cameron Presler, Cyrstal Paredes, and Jennie Thrash, Domestic Violence Association of Central Kansas presented a Proclamation designating April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Cloud County. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Proclamation.

Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator and Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented estimates for transferring the security system and computer server from the current health department building to the new building. Estimates were received from Midwest Security, in the amount of $2,896.50 and Computer Solution, in the amount of $836.80.

Barry Porter, Count Appraiser; Greg Peltier and Joe Reedy discussed the provisions of the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan and projects they are in the process of completing. The Board will consider their requests and no decision were made.

The Board will meet at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, April 9, 2010 to canvas election results from the Tuesday, April 6th General Election.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m., until Monday, April 12, 2010.
Adjourned session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 12, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Todd Whitney, Extension Agent; Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator,

Others attending were: Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Development Director; Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the Wind Farm Development Agreement with Horizon.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Ronald Powers as part-time corrections officer.

At 9:30 the Board conducted the tire bid opening for the Road and Bridge Dept. The only bid received was from Kansasland Tire in the amount of $19,703.79. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the bid from Kansasland.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are getting the spray equipment ready for the spraying season; they are hauling gravel and crushing rock; and he will be attending the Highway Officials state convention on May 11 and 12th, in Hutchinson.

Asch and Commissioner Crawford attended the NCK County Highway Officials meeting in McPherson, on Wednesday, April 7, 2010.

The Board conducted their monthly Department Head meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported Heather Whitesell will begin work in the Appraisers office on Monday, April 19th; and change of value notices were sent out last week.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they will be working on the cover for the construction/demolition site; filling in water holes at the old landfill site; they have
discontinued the trailer, that was available for after hour and week end drop offs, at the Recycling Center due misuse by the public; they are getting ready to ship their first load of plastic.

Jerry Collin, IT Tech reported he will be attending the Manatron Users Conference in Topeka on April 13 – 15; and discussed several viruses that have been hitting county and city computers.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are hauling gravel; and crushing rock.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court discussed the furloughs for district court employees; the state hiring freeze; and discussed the state budget proposals for the court system for 2011.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer discussed the $4.00 per vehicle modernization fee, which was to be used to help the state purchase updated equipment for the counties, and how they are proposing this money to go to the state general fund; will be attending the Treasurers District meeting, in McPherson, on Friday, April 16th.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they have been assisting the High School Seniors with their Dead Man Projects and their scavenger hunts; people are beginning to come in to do genealogy research; and she will be attending the District Register of Deeds meeting in McPherson on Friday, April 16.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they are investigating a number of thefts and the number of reported thefts is increasing.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent reported corn planting has started; they will have another Tractor Safety Class on May 1st; and they will be conducting a Wheat Rust Seminar on May 3rd.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported they are preparing for “Ladies Night Out”, promoting cancer awareness, to be held on Thursday, April 15.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk thanked Brian Marks for helping to transport the voting equipment to and from the polling places and the Sheriff Dept. employees for their assistance on Election Day; they will be sending out department budget forms next week; she will be attending the Clerk’s Master Academy, in Wichita on April 15 and 16 and participating in a panel discussion regarding Wind Farms.

The Department Head meeting ended at 10:30 a.m.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser discussed revisions to the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan.
Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed the E-Waste Coalition. He reported that in 2009, the coalition shipped 12 semi loads of e-waste; and beginning May 1 the coalition will no longer accept computer monitors and televisions.

All of the Commissioners attended the City Commission meeting on Wednesday, April 7th and the Concordia Tractor ground-breaking ceremony on Friday, April 9th.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as corrected. (A Resolution number of 14-2010 was added to the Authority to Award Contract for Project 15-4253-01)

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Casper, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the April 9th canvass as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Proclamation designating April as Fair Housing Month in Cloud County.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Gloria Hanson, as Office Clerk for the Health Dept., effective April 8, 2010.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved sending notification to the Lyon Township Board for the Cereal Malt Beverage Application by the Glasco Country Club.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2009-151 thru 2009-152 totaling $536.94.

Abatement #2009-151 was allowed Jerry Trzicky, Nelson Twp., in the amount of $417.04, due to the value being reduced.

Abatement #2009-152 was allowed Lori Adam, Concordia City, in the amount of $119.90, due to the valuation being reduced.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #15-2010 to cancel check #118424 for $ 13,082.72, due to the check being issued to the wrong vendor.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #16-2010 to cancel check # 118135 for $60.00, due to 2 registrations were cancelled and a new check needed to be issued.

Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Director discussed addendums to the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. She will contact the attorney concerning these possible changes.
The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m. until Monday, April 19, 2010.
Adjourned session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 19, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton; Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Development Director; Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio; Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $120,640.26.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented the agreement for participation in the Kansas Department of Transportation Highway Safety Project. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the participation agreement.

The Board requested a ten minute executive session with County Attorney Robert Walsh, to discuss Attorney-Client Privileges. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 10 minute executive session at 9:32 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:42 a.m.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented Resolution # 17-2010 to reduce the speed limit on Rock Road beginning in the NW Corner 5-6-3 thence east approximately .3 of a mile (beginning at 120th Rd. or the Radio Station Corner thence east to existing 30 mile speed zone). On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Resolution.

Asch discussed various other Road and Bridge Department matters.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented a personnel classification for the hire of Gerry Nester as a part-time equipment operator at the Transfer Station, effective April 20, 2010, at a rate of $8.00 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire due to a vacancy at the Transfer Station.

Murdock discussed various other Solid Waste and Recycling matters.
On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement #2009-153, totaling $8.84, as presented.

Abatement #2009-00153 was allowed Dennis S. and Patricia L. Burchfiel, Concordia City, in the amount of $8.84, due to the property value being reduced.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved sending notification to the Lincoln Township Board for the Cereal Malt Beverage Application by the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

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

Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Development Director discussed revisions to the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved rescinding the original Neighborhood Revitalization Plan that was adopted March 29, 2010, due to the revisions being required.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the revised April 2010 Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. The notice of public hearing will be published for 2 consecutive weeks and a Public Hearing to be held on Monday, May 3rd at 10:45 a.m.

Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager stopped by to discuss the next Inter-governmental meeting. The Cloud County Commissioners will host the meeting on May 12th at 6:30 p.m., in the Courthouse meeting room.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech discussed the IT Department and his job classification.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m. until Monday, April 26, 2010.
Adjourned session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 26, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Robert Walsh, Co. Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court; Jerry Collins, IT Tech.

Others attending were: Megan Ross, Kayla Clark and Jarez Hinds, CHS Government Students; Gary May, District Sanitarian.

The Board reviewed department expense vouchers.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the 2011 Community Corrections grant application for signature. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the grant application.

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

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are continuing to haul gravel; completing maintenance on the large sprayers for the Weed Dept.; he will be attending the Kansas County Highway Officials meeting, in Hutchinson, May 11-12.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Cereal Malt Beverage License for the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director and Andy Asch discussed the purchase of a laser level for use by the Road and Bridge Dept. and the Solid Waste Dept., with the cost to be split between the 2 departments.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Resource Council meeting on Tuesday, April 20, 2010.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Junction City, on Wednesday, April 21st.
On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 18-2010 to cancel check # 118230, in the amount of $270.00, due to the check being issued to the wrong vendor.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the board approved Resolution # 19-2010 appointing Starla Borg-Nelson as Acting County Attorney for the period of May 10 – 17, 2010 due to the absence of Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

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

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly update.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court discussed a project being undertaken by the attorneys of Cloud County for the purchase of a document camera, projector and screen for the Courtroom. The cost of the equipment would be taken from the Law Library fees.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech discussed the software maintenance contract with Manatron. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing Jerry Collins to sign the 3 year software maintenance contract with Manatron, at an annual cost of $35,278.09.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a five (5) minute executive session for attorney/Client privileges. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive session at 11:37 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:42 a.m.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon.
Regular session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 3, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Shaun Thomas and Jasmine Kyle, CHS Government Students; Jason Wheeler, Central Kansas Electric; Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio; Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Development Director.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $119,029.63. The Chairman signed the department expense checks.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer presented the report showing the monthly sales tax and compensating use tax received for the month of April (March collections) which totaled $61,035.07, compared to April 2009 collections of $52,775.99.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Jason Wheeler, Central Kansas Electric discussed a proposal for a generator at the Law Enforcement Center. The proposal included the purchase and installation of a 14KW emergency generator and monitoring system, in the amount of $7,437.05 plus there would be an additional charge of approximately $1200 for the installation of a natural gas line to the emergency generator. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote to accept the proposal from Central Kansas Electric for the purchase and installation of an emergency generator and monitoring system and for the installation of a natural gas line to the Law Enforcement Center to be in compliance with State regulations, with payment to be made from the Special Building Fund.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Jim Lynn, Jr., as corrections sergeant, effective April 26th.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security meeting on Tuesday, April 27, 2010.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Local Environmental Protection Program (LEPP) annual meeting, in Junction City, on Wednesday, April 28, 2010.

Commissioner Crawford presented a Proclamation designating May as Mental Health Month in Cloud County. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Proclamation.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they will be working on a bridge located on 10th Road south of Teal Road and the road will be closed during the bridge repair; they are continuing to crush rock and haul gravel; they will begin spraying county right of ways when they receive the chemicals and weather permits.

Commissioner Engle reported he had received a call from Marcia Hauck concerning the road south of Glasco and asked Asch to check into the problem.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a Proclamation, at the request of Jon Puckett, designating May as Motorcycle Awareness Month.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, 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 to provide services in Cloud County.

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

At 10:45 a.m. the Board conducted the public hearing regarding the April 2010 Amended County-wide Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. There were no objections to the Plan and on motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers the Board ended the Hearing at 11:00 a.m.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 2010-20 to adopt the April 2010 Amended County-Wide Neighborhood Revitalization Plan, to be effective Monday 10, 2010.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator and Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the Health Department move to their new building and their computer system.

The Health Department will be closed on May 12, 13 and 14 to facilitate their move to their new building, the former Lost Creek Medical Arts Building.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change for Paige Rudolph from part-time Youth Coordinator to Fulltime Clerk, at the same salary of $11.33 per hour, effective April 29, 2010.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m., until Monday, May 10, 2010.
Adjourned session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 10, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Todd Whitney, Extension Agent; Barry Porter, Co. Appraiser.

Others attending were: Luke Hood; Gary May, District Sanitarian; Lisa Davies, Rural Lakes Region (LEPP); Ted Samuelson, Stacy VandenBroeder, Don Ramseyer, Gertrude Poe and Betty Saunders, Cloud County Commission on Aging.

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented a personnel classification for the hire of Laura Garrison-Feik as a part-time corrections officer. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Laura Garrison-Feik as a part-time Corrections officer, at a rate of $10.00 per hour, effective May 4, 2010.

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

Luke Hood visited with the Board about the proposals for the generator for the Law Enforcement Center that was approved last week.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement #2009-156 in the amount of $56.30.

Abatement #2009-00156 was allowed D & G Deneault Farms, Inc., Center Twp., in the amount of $56.30, due to the wrong class was used on the 2005 Ford Pickup.

All of the Commissioners attended the Kansas County Commissioners Association spring meeting, in Junction City, May 4 – 6.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the damage from the storm Thursday night.

Asch reported the Road and Bridge Department will be closed on Wednesday, May 12, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon for the funeral of Lorence Shuler.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 21-2010 to cancel check # 118719, in the amount of $15.00.

Gary May, District Sanitarian and Lisa Davies, Director of Rural Lakes Region (LEPP) discussed the by-law changes for LEPP; discussed the cuts in State funding and the affect it will have on their budget; and possible updates to the Sanitary Code.

Davies presented the Cooperative Agreement with Junction City-Geary County for the Development of Coordinated Water Quality Planning and Implementation of County Sanitary Codes. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Agreement.

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

Jerry Collins, IT Tech presented a video regarding identity theft.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported on the storm damage; they are hauling gravel and crushing rock; and will start spraying county right-of-way when the chemicals arrive.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they have received their laser level; the Operating Plan for the Construction/Demolition Facility has been approved; and to date they have shipped over 149 tons of recyclables for the year.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they have finished scanning the older plat maps.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported mostly routine business; Rolling Hills had reported to him they had approximately $125,000 in damages, in Cloud County, due to the storm Thursday.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator reported they will be having an open house on May 27th for Linda Mills, who will be retiring on May 28th, after 38 years of service with the Health Dept.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported the Health Dept. will be closed Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday (May 12, 13, 14) while moving to their new facility and will open for business again on Monday, May 17th.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the Veteran’s Memorial at the Courthouse; and are preparing for the Health Dept. move.
Todd Whitney, Extension Agent reported they will be conducting a Range Management Workshop on May 18th; discussed the storm damage in the District; reported 4H Camp will be held June 27 – 30 at Rock Springs; the Cloud County Fair will be held July 27 – 31.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported she and Marylu Fellows attended the Kansas County Clerk and Election Officials meeting, in Topeka, May 4th thru 7th; they are doing preliminary work for budgets and for the August Primary Election; and the candidate filing deadline is noon on June 10th.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported on the assessment of the wind turbines.

The department head meeting ended at 10:55 a.m. and open session resumed at 11:00 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Maintenance Manager discussed the Construction/Demolition Landfill Facility Operation Plan was accepted; and they are working on permit renewal.

Ted Samuelson, Stacy VandenBroeder, Don Ramseyer, Gertrude Poe and Betty Saunders, Cloud County Commission on Aging Board Members presented their 2011 Appropriation request in the amount equal to 1 mill. The Board will take the request under advisement at Budget time.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon, until Monday, May 17, 2010.
Adjourned session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 17, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, 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; Mason Johnson, Undersheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Holly Brown, Big Brothers and Big Sisters; Megan Berry, Energy Solutions; Bill Mikesell.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $118,430.29.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators gave an update on the Health Department move to their new facility.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the conditions of the lease agreement, with Casselrock Inc., for the new Health Department building.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Mason Johnson, Undersheriff presented the resignation for Rodney Hughes as part-time corrections officer, effective May 17, 2010.

Marks presented a change to the job description and job title for a position in his department. The job title would change from cook/corrections officer to Cook/Food Service Coordinator.

Marks discussed repairs that need to be made in the jail area of the Law Enforcement Center. The Board suggested they ask for estimates for the cost of the repairs and report back to them.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported the mowing crew started today; they will begin spraying county right-of-way tomorrow, if the weather permits; he is working on budgets; Murphy Tractor will be having an equipment demonstration on Thursday and several of the Road and Bridge employees will be attending; still hauling gravel and crushing rock, when possible; and he received word that gravel prices will be going up 20 cents per ton.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported the operating plan for the Construction/Demolition Site and Transfer Station Site were accepted by KDHE; they are checking into the purchase of a billing program for the Transfer Station.
Holly Brown, Big Brothers Big Sisters will be re-applying for Title II grant funds available thru the Juvenile Justice Authority. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a letter of support of Big Brothers Big Sisters grant application.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Tourism meeting, Tuesday, May 11, 2010.

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

Megan Berry, Energy Solutions and Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed energy audits for public facilities. During the 1st step of the audit process they would inspect the county facility and make recommendations on ways to conserve energy and how the savings would pay for the improvements. The Board approved allowing the preliminary step of the audit for the Courthouse building.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2009-157 to #2009-161, totaling $1,393.42.

Abatement # 2009-00157 was allowed Berk, Inc., Nelson Twp., in the amount of $410.24, due to the value being reduced.

Abatement #2009-00158 was allowed Berk, Inc., Nelson Twp., in the amount of $410.10, due to the value being reduced.

Abatement #2009-00159 was allowed Steven Sorenson, Lincoln Twp., in the amount of $191.98, due to the value being reduced.

Abatement #2009-00160 was allowed Steven Sorenson, Lincoln Twp., in the amount of $176.32, due to the value being reduced.

Abatement # 2009-00161 was allowed Steven Sorenson, Lincoln Twp., in the amount of $204.78, due to the value being reduced.

Bill Mikesell discussed a road problem with the Board.

The Board adjourned at 12:25 p.m. until Monday, May 24, 2010.
Adjourned session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 24, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Gary May, District Sanitarian

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

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

The Board discussed the road problem reported last week by Bill Mikesell and asked Asch to check into the matter.

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

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Cloud County Resource Council meeting on Tuesday, May 18th; the Solomon Valley E-waste Coalition meeting, in Osborne, on Wednesday, May 19th; and the Murphy Tractor equipment demonstration, near Miltonvale, on Thursday, May 20th; and participated in KNCK Coffeetime on Friday, May 22nd.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the CloudCorp meeting on Tuesday, May 18th and the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Junction City, on Thursday, May 20th.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk, on behalf of the Co-Health Administrators, presented the personnel classification for the hire of Susan Hoard, as a clerk at the Health Dept., to be effective June 1, 2010, at a rate of $11.33 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the new hire.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported he will be meeting with representatives of RMA Engineering to begin updating the operating plan for the Transfer Station and Construction/Demolition Site, since the surveying plans have been approved by KDHE.

Murdock reported he and Commissioner Engle attended the Solomon Valley E-Waste meeting, in Osborne, on Wednesday. The Coalition informed them they would now able to accept Plasma Screens and LCD Screens but they will not to accept the CRT (tube type
screens) because there is a charge for the disposal of these screens. Murdock reported they will be accepting the CRT screens at the Cloud County Transfer Station.

Murdock will be meeting with representatives from Integrated Plastics Solutions LLC, of Wichita, on June 9th to discuss the possibility of contracting with them for the disposal of our recyclables. Commissioner Engle asked him to check into this further before a decision is made.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly update.

The Board will attend the Sanitary Code Committee meeting on Monday, May 24, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the Jury Room at the Courthouse.

The Courthouse and County Offices will be closed on Monday, May 31st in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday.

The Board adjourned at 11:15 a.m.
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, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Robbin Cole, Pawnee Mental Executive Director; Carol Chartier, Pawnee Mental Health Board Member; Toby Nosker, President Cloud County Resource Council; Marie Bower, Executive Director Cloud County Resource Council; Joseph Purla, 360 Energy Solutions; Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Development Director.

The Board reviewed the department monthly expense vouchers.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $119,332.92.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer presented information on the May 2010 (April Sales) Compensating Use and Sales Tax received totaling $60,025.39, compared to the amount of $49,261.64 received in May 2010.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Sanitary Code Committee meeting on Monday, May 24th; the Pawnee Mental meeting on Tuesday, May 25th; and the North Central Kansas Regional Planning Board meeting on Thursday, May 27th.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Sanitary Code Committee meeting on Monday, May 24th.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the May 24, 2010 regular meeting and the May 24th Sanitary Code Committee meeting.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved sending notification to the Lincoln Township Board notifying them of the Cereal Malt Beverage Application by the American Legion Post 76.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the Agreement for the 2011 Conditions of Grant for the Juvenile Justice Authority Grant for Board signature.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Agreement of Grant Conditions.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a Utility Permit for Don Garlow for a buried electrical line across 180th Road, ¼ mile North of Highway 9. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the utility permit.

Commissioner Crawford discussed a road problem reported by Larry and Carol Chartier on 230th Road. Asch will check into this matter.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various routine recycling and Transfer Station matters.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Rod Hake as a part-time equipment operator at the Recycling Center.

Robbin Cole, Pawnee Mental Health Executive Director and Carol Chartier, Pawnee Mental Health Board Member presented the 2009 annual report; discussed the $800,000 or 6% decrease in State funding and the changes that have been made to deal with the budget cuts; and services provided by Pawnee Mental Health.

Cole presented their 2011 Appropriation request in the amount of $68,875, which is the same as requested in 2010. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the County budget.

Toby Nosker, President of the Cloud County Resource Council introduced Marie Bower the new Executive Director of the Cloud County Resource Council.

Nosker and Bower gave an overview of the services provided by the Cloud County Resource Council and presented their 2011 Appropriation request in the amount of $6500, which is an increase of $1500. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the County budget.

The Board recessed at 11:50 a.m. and will resume open session at 1:30 p.m.

Joseph Purla, 360 Energy Solutions gave an overview of the services provided by his company and discussed energy audits and energy grants that are available. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing 360 Energy Solutions to conduct an energy audit, at no cost to the county, to see if the County is eligible to apply for grant funds.

Mari Detrixhe, Clyde Economic Director presented the Interlocal Agreement for the County-wide Neighborhood Revitalization Program for signature. On motion by
Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Interlocal Agreement.

The Board discussed the Development (Gift Fund) Agreement with Horizon Wind Energy. Because the wind farms, located in Kansas, are tax exempt Horizon has proposed a Development (Gift Fund) Agreement. The proposed yearly amounts Cloud County would receive would be: Year 1 $100,000; Year 2 $150,000; Year 3 $200,000; Year 4 – 20 $300,000 or a total of $5.5 million over the 20 year period.

Other counties in Kansas, which have wind farms, are receiving $300,000 to $500,000 during the 1st year and yearly increases for each year after. For example, the new wind farm in Ellis County would receive $600,000 for years 1 – 3; $800,000 for year 4 and $800,000 plus a 1% increase each year for years 5 - 20. The total they would receive during the 20 year period is $16,544,353.

Because the yearly amounts proposed by Horizon do not compare to the amounts being received by other counties, the Board has neither accepted nor rejected the proposed agreement and is still in the process of negotiating with Horizon for a more equal and fair yearly payment.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a classification change for Teresa Benson from corrections officer to Cook/Food Service Coordinator, effective June 1, 2010.

The Board adjourned at 3:00 p.m., until June 7, 2010.
Adjourned session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 7, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director; Carolee Miner, Patrick Wallerius, and Shelia Nelson-Stout, OCCK; Calvin Schultz, Kansas Crossroads RC&D; Darrel Hosie.

The Board signed department monthly expense checks.

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

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

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented a personnel classification for the hire of Amy Strowig, as a part-time Secretary at the Sheriff’s Dept., effective June 4, 2010, at a rate of $9.00 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire; and discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are continuing to haul gravel, crushing rock and spraying county right-of-ways, weather permitting; discussed various other road problems; and reported they are starting to see problems with thistles.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the amendments to the By-Laws for the Rural Lakes Region.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Cereal Malt Beverage License for the American Legion Club 76.

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

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they are moving files to the County’s new web-site.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are hauling gravel, crushing rock and spraying right of ways; working on rock jobs.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported the county’s new web-site is now active and he is making some required updates; reported there will be a link on the county web-site to the webcams located at the 5th Street repair project; he is working on the budget for the IT Department.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they are updating the operating plan for the Transfer Station; and he will be meeting with a broker, on Wednesday, about possibly selling our recyclables.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator reported their move to the new building is complete; she reported they are having problems with the phones at the Health Dept. and they have only 1 incoming line and 1 out-going line; she, Diana Gering and Kay Berk attended the Family Planning Conference on June 2 – 3; discussed the new Lexie’s Law, that is effective July 1st, the new law requires all day care providers to be licensed with the State of Kansas.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported mostly routine business.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported the filing deadline, for the August 3rd Primary Election, is noon on Thursday, June 10; and they will begin the process to certify July values in a few days.

The department head meeting ended at 10:20 a.m. and open session resumed at 10:35 a.m.

Darrel Hosie stopped by to visit with the Board.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director and Sherry Nelson, Transfer Station Secretary discussed the purchase of a billing program for the Transfer Station. The Board approved the purchase of a billing program, from Manatron, at an estimated cost of approximately $6,000 and approved the purchase of a new computer to facilitate the new program.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director presented an overview of CloudCorp activities and presented the Board with a list of the current Board of Directors, Executive Board and Finance Committee; and discussed the North Development Project.

Lowell presented their 2011 Budget Appropriation request in the amount of $50,000. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the County budget.

The Board recessed at 12:20 p.m. and will resume open session at 1:30 p.m.
Carolee Miner, Patrick Wallerius, and Shelia Nelson-Stout reported to the Board this is the 20th Anniversary for the American with Disabilities Act and also is OCCK’s 40th Anniversary. Miner gave an overview of the services provided by OCCK and how the state budget cuts have affected their organization. Miner presented their 2011 Budget Appropriation request in the amount of $106,094, the same as requested in 2010. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the County budget.

Calvin Schultz, Kansas Crossroads RC & D presented information on the programs conducted by the Crossroads RC&D; and presented their 2011 Budget Appropriation request in the amount of $1200. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the county budget.

Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators presented the 2009 write-off amounts for the Health Dept. totaling $15,509.18. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2009 write-offs.

McNichols presented an agreement with the Cloud County Health Center for continued Rehabilitation Services. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Rehabilitation Services Agreement between Cloud County Health Center and the Cloud County Health Department for continued services, effective May 1, 2010 thru April 30, 2011.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the signing of the Cloud County Health Department/ Home Health Agency Standard Operating Policies and Procedures.

McNichols presented the Condition of Participation appointing Vonda Pumarlo, RN as Assistant Home Health Coordinator and Kay Berk, RN as Assistant Public Health Coordinator to assume responsibility of the day to day function of the Health Dept. and all executive decision during the absence of the Administrators. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board signed the Condition of Participation, effective May 18, 2010.

McNichols and Gering discussed the need to hire a part-time Home Health Aide, for the Health Dept., due to an increase of patient referrals.

The Board adjourned at 3:30 p.m., until Monday, June 14, 2010.
Adjourned session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 14, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Carol Miller, CASA Director; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Jackie Koch; John Denney, Lindburg, Vogel, Pierce, Faris Chartered; Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director; John Forshee, District Director River Valley Extension District # 4; Arlene Clayton; Bill Garrison and Arlene Bray, Cloud County Conservation District; Jim Menard, Cloud County EMS Association; Danny McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board; Joe Purla, 360 Energy Solutions.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $124,112.56.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the lease, with CasselRock, Inc., for the new Health Dept. building and various other items.

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

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency meeting on Friday, June 11th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attend the Tourism Committee meeting on Tuesday, June 8th.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are crushing rock, when possible; cutting and spraying thistles on county right-of ways; selling chemicals; and beginning to work on several road projects.

John Denney, Lindburg, Vogel, Pierce, Faris Chartered, the county auditor, visited with the Board about the Development Agreement with Horizon Wind Energy.

John Forshee, District Director for River Valley Extension District # 4 and Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director presented the Board with copies of the Fiscal Condition and Trends Report for Cloud County, prepared by the office of Local Government K-State Research and Extension and also a copy of the Kansas State and Local Spending in
Kansas, which compares Kansas spending to that of other States, prepared by the Office of Local Government Dept. of Agricultural Economics K-State University.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

Carol Miller, CASA Director discussed their move to the new Health Dept. building and discussed “Hope’s Place” the Child Advocacy Center and gave an overview of the services provided and training required to be able to conduct interviews. Miller presented their 2011 Budget Appropriation request in the amount of $13,000, the same at their 2010 request. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the County Budget.

Bill Garrison and Arlene Bray, Cloud County Conservation District presented an overview of services provided by the Conservation District. Bray presented their 2011 appropriation request in the amount of $20,000, the same as requested for 2010. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the County budget.

The Board recessed at 11:50 a.m. and will resume open session at 1:30 p.m.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director presented his 2011 Budget and discussed various items with the Board.

Jim Menard, Treasurer Cloud County EMS Association presented the 2011 Budget appropriation request in the amount of $10,000. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the county budget.

Danny McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board presented their 2011 Appropriation request in the amount of $35,000, the same as requested for 2010. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the County budget.

McReynolds gave an overview of the improvements that have been made at the Fairgrounds and possible future projects. He reported the Cloud County Fair will be held July 27 – July 31.

Joe Purla, 360 Energy Solutions and Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented the results of the energy audit conducted by 360 Energy Solutions. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Design Services Agreement with 360 Energy Solutions.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the grant application prepared by 360 Energy Solutions, with no financial obligation to the county if grant funds are not used.
The Board discussed the Rural Lakes Region budget request and their preliminary decision was to fund their 2011 appropriation request of $3000.

The Board adjourned at 3:10 p.m. until Monday, June 21, 2010.
Adjourned session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 21, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Verl Florea, Road and Bridge Dept.; Jan Price, Deputy County Appraiser; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator.

Others attending were: Elaine Florea; Linda and Richard Mills; Toby Nosker; John and Joyce Hood; Megan Berry, Schneider Electric.

The Board recognized and presented plaques to the following employees for their years of service to Cloud County: Linda Mills, 38 years of service, retired June 1, 2010; Verl Florea, 20 years of service, retiring July 1, 2010; and Janet Price, 14 years of service, retiring July 1, 2010.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the damage due to the week-end storms.

The Board and Asch discussed the annual transfer from Road and Bridge to the Special Machinery and Equipment Fund. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved a transfer of $200,000 from Road and Bridge to the Road and Bridge Special Machinery and Equipment Fund, per the 2009 county audit.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney, John and Joyce Hood, Casselrock, Inc. discussed the lease for the health department building. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the five (5) year lease with Casselrock and the Health Dept.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement #2009-00162, in the amount of $446.08.

The Board discussed a letter received from the Commission on Aging regarding a phone vote taken for the appointment of a Treasurer to their Board. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board
will consider the appointment of a new Treasurer after a vote is taken at the next official open meeting of the Commission on Aging Board.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented the contract with Manatron for the purchase of a billing program for the Transfer Station. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the contract with Manatron for the purchase of the billing software for the Transfer Station.

Murdock discussed various other routine items with the Board.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of the District Court presented the 2011 budget for the District Court and the 12th Judicial District budget.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the damage to county facilities due to the weekend storms.

Megan Berry, Schneider Electric presented the Feasibility Assessment she completed for the Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Community Resource Council meeting on Tuesday, June 15th and participated on KNCK Coffeetime on Friday, June 18th.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m. until Monday, June 28, 2010.
Adjourned session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 28, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford and County Clerk Linda Bogart present. Gary Caspers was not in attendance.

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

Others attending were: Gary Montre, Welborn Sales; Susie Haver, Tammy Britt, Dolores Landry, Ron Hearn, Convention and Tourism Committee; Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio; Gary May, District Sanitarian; Gary Dvorak, North Central Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging; Joe Purla, 360 Energy Solutions.

The Board reviewed department expense vouchers.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $123,032.03.

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 accepted the resignation of Glenn Larsen, as Buffalo Township Treasurer and approved the appointment of Fred Larsen to the position.

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

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed possible signage on Noble Road; discussed the damage from last week’s heavy rains.

Commissioner Crawford reported several different road problems and asked Asch to check into them.

Gary Montre, Welborn Sales stopped by and introduced himself to the Board.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed the 120 day cover for the Construction/Demolition Landfill site.

Murdock presented a personnel classification for the hire of Charles Metro, as a part-time equipment operator at the Recycling Center, at $8.00 per hour, effective June 28,
2010. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the “Schedules for Master Agreement for Licensed Software, Hardware, and Services” with Manatron for the purchase of the billing software for the Transfer Station.

Susie Haver and Tammy Britt, Co-Directors for Cloud County Convention and Tourism presented their 2011 proposed budget, in the amount of $124,000; and gave an overview of the brochures; publications and promotional items they are using to promote Cloud County.

Gary May, District Sanitarian gave his monthly update and discussed the advantage of system inspections at the time of Real Estate transfers.

Gary Dvorak, Supervisor of Nutrition and Field Services for North Central Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging presented their appropriation request for 2011, in the amount of $4,000. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the county budget.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager and Joe Purla, 360 Energy Solutions gave an update on the energy audit and grant application.

Johnson discussed the damage received from the recent storms.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m.
Regular session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 6, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Jackie Koch; Dana Brewer, Cloud County Historical Society.

Signed department monthly expense checks.

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

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer presented the report on the compensating use and sales tax collections for June (May sales) in the amount of $57,141.07, compared to June 2009, in the amount of $55,343.57.

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 Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement #2009-00163, in the amount of $70.90.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security meeting, in Beloit, on Tuesday, June 22nd and the Cloud County Foundation meeting on Tuesday, June 29th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Pawnee Mental Health meeting, in Clay Center, on Tuesday, June 29th and the Cloud County Foundation meeting on Tuesday, June 29th.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Jonna Trost as a temporary part-time Adult Supervision Officer for Community Corrections, during the absence of the full-time employee.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the damage to county roads during the recent rains.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various items with the Board.
Dana Brewer, Cloud County Historical Society gave an overview of projects the Society has completed and the future projects to make the museum and museum annex more energy efficient.

Brewer presented their 2011 Budget appropriation request in the amount of $36,000, the same as requested last year. The Board will take the request under advisement when preparing the county budget.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon until Monday, July 12, 2010.
Adjourned session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 12, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent; LeaDawn Thockmorton, Clerk of District Court; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Brian Marks, Sheriff.

Others attending were: Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $119,905.40.

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

Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager invited the Board to attend a meeting on July 28th, at 3:00 p.m. to discuss the flood control project.

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

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a classification change for Mike Bates from Truck Driver to Truck Foreman, effective July 11, 2010, with a wage change from $11.92 per hour to $13.62 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change.

Asch presented a classification change for Jack Tyler from Construction Laborer to Truck Driver, effective July 11, 2010, with a wage change from $11.02 per hour to $11.92 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the bond for Fred Larsen, as Buffalo Township Treasurer.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 22-2010 to cancel check #119328, in the amount of $191.07, since the Board did not approve payment of the expense.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #23-2010 to cancel check # 119312, in the amount of $30.00, since the Board did not approve payment of the expense.

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

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported the state sales tax rate went up as of July 1st and delinquent real estate notices were sent out last week.

Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent reported they are preparing for the fair; and discussed the program she will be presenting at the 2nd Street Program regarding Trust.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court discussed how the state hiring freeze and budget cuts are affecting their office; and she discussed a meeting she will be attending to discuss ideas to restructure the court system in the future.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are still repairing flood damage around the county.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he is working on new employee identification cards; and is working on the new website and asked the department heads to notify him if they find errors on their web page.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they will be training on the new billing program; burning the tree pile today; and the recycling center will be shipping a load of cardboard this week.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed problems they have been having with the phone system since their move to the new building; they have started immunizations again this week; and the Health Dept. will be offering blood pressure checks each evening from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. during the Cloud County Fair.

Commissioner Engle presented Gering and McNichols a plaque from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment Immunization Program. The Certificate of Appreciation was in recognition of excellent service, dedication and delivery of the Navel H1N1 Influenza Vaccine throughout the 2009 Pandemic.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they have 21 inmates in the jail now; they are making the necessary repairs at the jail and the new emergency generator has been installed; Mason Johnson, Undersheriff has completed a weeklong DARE Program and they will be having a DARE booth at the fair.

The Board discussed VIN inspections with Marks.
Linda Bogart, Cloud County Clerk reported they are preparing for the upcoming Primary Election; Advance voting will begin on Wednesday, July 14th and the Registration Books will close on Monday, July 19th at the end of the business day.

The monthly department head meeting ended at 10:30 a.m. and open session resumed at 10:35 a.m.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they will be receiving training for their new billing program on Wednesday; they met with FEMA representatives last week, regarding the tree pile at the Transfer Station and should receive approximately $3500 from FEMA.

The Board adjourned at 11:00 a.m. until Monday, July 19, 2010.
Adjourned session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 19, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Others attending were:

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented a classification change for Adam Holbert from part-time corrections officer to fulltime corrections officer, effective July 19, 2010, and a change from $10.00 to $13.12 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change.

Marks discussed the use of Alcohol funds and if they could be used to acquire a speaker for area schools concerning tobacco use.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney presented the Sales Agreement with Casselrock, Inc. for the purchase of office equipment for the Health Dept. Building. Total cost of the equipment was $19,931.78 with Cloud County making a monthly payment of $385.65 per month for 60 months.

Walsh requested a fifteen (15) minute executive session for discussion of non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 15 minute executive session at 9:27 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:42 a.m. Also, included in the session was the County Clerk.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are still making repairs and cleaning debris and culverts after the flood; and spraying Johnson grass.

Commissioner Engle reported a road and bridge problem he received concerning a road 4 miles east of Glasco at the 1st Bridge South of U S Hwy 24. Asch stated this is a State bridge but he will check into this.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed the concerns received about the landfill billings that were mailed last week. As of January 1, 2010 the fees were increased by $3.00 per month due to the continued increase in operating costs, at the Transfer Station. The last fee increase was done approximately 13 years ago.
Murdock reported he met with Ken Powell, with KDHE, concerning the compost pile at the Transfer Station.

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

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on July 9th and participated in KNCK Coffeetime on July 16th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Convention and Tourism Committee meeting on July 13th and the Community Corrections/JJA Advisory Board meeting on July 14th.

The Board approved sending a letter of congratulations to Alyssa Hubert for being selected Cloud County Junior Miss.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2009-164 to #2009-165 totaling $2,885.76.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the recommended appointments to the Cloud County Commission on Aging.
   - Gertrude Poe to replace Bob Burns
   - Dan Gerber to replace Estalene Harrington
   - Betty Saunders appointment to a second term.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented various year-end reports for JJA and DOC for signature.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the year end reports for JJA.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the FY2010 quarterly budget summary report.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the carryover reimbursement plan for DOC.

The Board requested a ten (10) minute executive session to discuss non-election personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 10 minute executive session at 11:22 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:32 a.m. Also included in the session was the County Clerk.

The Board adjourned at 11:43 a.m., until Monday, July 26, 2010.
Adjourned session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 26, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Jackie Koch; Gary May, District Sanitarian.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $119,745.96.

The Board reviewed the monthly expense vouchers.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the new state smoking ban and the county purchasing card policy.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are still working to make repairs after the recent flooding; they are spraying for Johnson grass; discussed the road and bridge problem reported last week (4 miles East of Glasco at the 1st bridge South of US Hwy 24).

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner, unanimous vote the appoint Commissioner Engle as the KAC Voting Delegate at the annual conference to be held in Overland Park, November 14 -16.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of Commissioner Caspers as 1st Alternate Voting Delegate and Commissioner Crawford as 2nd Alternate Voting Delegate to the KAC annual conference to be held in Overland Park, November 14 – 16.

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

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Juvenile Detention Board meeting, in Junction City, on Wednesday, July 21st.
On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous
vote the Board approved Resolution # 24-2010 in support of North Central Regional
Planning Commission renewing the Kansas Enterprise Zone.

The Board and the County Highway Administrator will attend an informational meeting
on Wednesday, July 28th at 3:00 p.m. at Concordia City Hall concerning the Concordia
Flood Control Project.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly update.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators presented the Emergency
Preparedness Grant contract for signature. On motion by Commissioner Crawford,
second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the
Chairman to sign the Grant Application.

McNichols presented the 2011 Memorandum of Understanding with Republic County for
Family Planning Services. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by
Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Memorandum of
Understanding with Republic County.

The Board requested a 15 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On
motion by Commission Engle, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the
Board recessed into a 15 minute executive session at 11:31 a.m. and resumed open
session at 11:46 a.m. Also included in the session were Gering, McNichols and the
County Clerk.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m.
Regular session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 2, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, 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.

Others attending were: Jackie Koch; Audrey Swihart.

Signed department expense checks.

The Board reviewed a report stating the sales and compensating use tax collected for July 2010 (June sales) totaled $59,983.29, compared to $67,206.81 collected in July 2009.

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

Walsh requested a 10 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 10 minute executive session at 9:05 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:15 a.m. Also included in the session was the County Clerk.

Walsh requested a second 10 minute executive session to continue discussion of non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 10 minute executive session at 9:16 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:26 a.m. Also included in the session was the County Clerk.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed closing the Road and Bridge Department on Wednesday, August 4th, so employees could attend the funeral of longtime employee Joe Collins, Sr., who had been employed by Cloud County since October 1967.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing Road and Bridge employees to have the day off with pay if they are planning to attend the funeral of Mr. Collins and if they are not attending the funeral they may use a day of leave time to be paid.

The Commissioners attended the Information meeting at Concordia City Hall, on Wednesday, July 28th, concerning the Concordia Flood Control Project.
Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the CloudCorp meeting on July 20th; the Pawnee Mental Health meeting on Tuesday, July 27th; and the North Central Regional Planning meeting on Thursday, July 29th, in Beloit.

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

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting as corrected. (Motion to nominate Commissioner Engle as KAC Voting Delegate was seconded by Commissioner Crawford).

Audrey Swihart discussed the old Health Department building.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co. Health Administrators presented an amendment to the Emergency Preparedness grant. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the amended agreement with KDHE and the Cloud County Health Dept. for the Emergency Preparedness Grant.

The Board will canvass results from the Tuesday, August 3rd Primary on Friday, August 6th, at 8:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Room at the Courthouse.

The Board adjourned at 11:15 a.m., until Monday, August 9, 2010.
Adjourned session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 9, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Dept.; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Todd Whitney, Extension Agent; Sherry Nelson, Solid Waste Secretary.

Others attending were: Lloyd Criffield.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $120,852.34.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators and Robert Walsh, County Attorney visited with the Board regarding the Health Department building and the Health Dept.

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

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various routine Road and Bridge and Weed Department matters with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 25-2010 appointing Nels Noel as Acting County Attorney, due to a potential conflict of the county attorney, effective August 9th.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Megan Patterson, as part-time corrections officer, effective August 2, 2010.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatement # 2009-00173 totaling $70.56.

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

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they are starting to scan images of military discharges.
Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported they have published the Delinquent Real Estate list in the official county newspaper.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court reported that Lawton Nuss has been appointed as the new Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; and discussed the post audit report concerning the possible restructuring of the States’ Judicial Districts.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they have been repairing the damage caused by the rains throughout the summer; and spraying for Johnson Grass.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he is updating the phone list for county offices and installing new computers in the Register of Deeds office.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they would be conducting the delinquent Solid Waste hearing today; the recycling center has shipped a load of cardboard and is preparing to ship a load of clothes this week; and they had a recycling display at the Fair.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported they were spraying weeds in the parking lots last week; and are trying to keep the Air Conditioners in good working order.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent discussed the crops in the county and commodity prices.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are working to finish the Primary Election reports and posting; and routine business.

The Commissioners reported the Kansas Association of Counties would be holding their monthly Executive Board meeting in Concordia on August 26th and 27th.

The Department Head meeting ended at 10:30 a.m.

The Board resumed open session at 10:45 a.m.

At 11:00 a.m. the Board conducted the 2009 Delinquent Solid Waste hearing. Lloyd Griffiefield was in attendance and asked about the Solid Waste fees. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 26-2010 for the attachment of the 2009 Delinquent Solid Waste fees to the tax roll.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m., until Monday, August 16, 2010.
Adjourned session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 16, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Jim Bourne, Road Supervisor; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager; and Chad Blackwood, Murphy Tractor.

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

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented a personnel classification sheet for the hire of David Tanking as a part-time Corrections Officer, effective August 9, 2010, at $10.00 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the part-time hire.

The Board discussed the Horizon Development Agreement.

Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager discussed various items with the Board.

Jim Bourne, Road Supervisor discussed various items with the Board; and asked for Board approval to close the Road and Bridge Department for the funeral of Shaylynn Morey.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they have shipped 263 Tons of recyclables this year, to date; reported he and Dave Walker would be attending the Kansas Association of Recyclers Conference, in Hutchinson, on August 24th and 25th.

The Board discussed the possibility of changing to a voucher system for the purchase of chemicals by the landowner. Under the current system the county purchases the chemicals for re-sale to the landowners.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the August 6th canvass and the August 9th regular meeting as presented.

Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators discussed various activities at the Health Dept.
Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented the Service Agreement with Comfort Controls for maintenance of the Courthouse heating and cooling system, in the amount of $2,046. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Service Agreement.

The Board will conduct a work session on Tuesday, August 17th, beginning at 8:00 a.m. to work on the County budget.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency meeting on Friday, August 13th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Tourism meeting on Wednesday, August 11th.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a five (5) minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a five (5) minute executive session at 11:40 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:45 a.m.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m., until Monday, August 23, 2010.
Adjourned session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 23, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Mason Johnson, Undersheriff; Jim Bourne, Road Supervisor; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator; LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Arlene Clayton; Gary May, District Sanitarian.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $117,259.09.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed county employee identification cards and various other items with the Board.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the sale of the Health Department building and surplus equipment.

Jim Bourne, Maintenance Manager presented 2 Joint-Road Terrace Use Permits for Larry Nobert. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Joint Road Terrace Use Permit for SE4 17-7-1.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2nd Joint Road Terrace Use Permit for S2 SW4 2-6-1.

Commissioner Engle reported Bill Gropp had asked about the mowing and cutting of sunflowers from the ditches on county roads.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 27-2010 authorizing the transfer of $200,000 from the Medical Insurance Fund to the County Employee Benefit Fund.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported he and Dave Walker will be attending the Kansas Association of Recyclers Conference, in Hutchinson, on August 24 and 25; they will be shipping a load of cardboard and # 8 news this week; at the transfer station they will be doing maintenance on their trailers this week.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the August 17th regular meeting and the August 18th work session.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Resource Council meeting on August 17th and participated on KNCK Coffeetime on August 20th.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Juvenile Detention meeting on August 18th, in Junction City.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 28-2010 to cancel check # 119693 in the amount of $17,659.76, due to the check being lost in the mail.

The Board will be attending a dinner for the Kansas Association of Counties Board of Directors on Thursday evening, August 26th, at Heavy’s BBQ.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator discussed various routine items and the services provided by the Health Department.

Gary May, District Sanitarian discussed revisions to the Sanitary Code. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the revisions to the Cloud County Sanitary Code. The revisions would implement the requirement of an onsite inspection of wastewater systems and privy inspection upon the sale or transfer of property. May also gave is monthly update.

LeaDawn Throckmorton, Clerk of District Court discussed the old court records stored at the old Health Department building.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m. until Monday, August 30, 2010.
Adjourned session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 30, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio; Chad Blackwood, Murphy Tractor; and Mark Jennings, John Deere Credit.

The Board reviewed the department monthly expense vouchers.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #29-2010 allowing property taxes levied to finance the 2011 Cloud County budget to exceed the amount levied to finance the 2010 Cloud County budget.

At 9:00 a.m. the Board conducted the 2011 Budget hearing, with no one in attendance to express opposition to the proposed budget. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2011 Cloud County Budget as published.

At 9:15 a.m. the Board conducted a hearing to amend the 2010 Cloud County Budget. The proposed change will increase the expenditure amount for the County Employee Benefit Fund in the amount of $100,000. No one was in attendance to express opposition to the proposed amendment to the 2010 Cloud County Budget. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the amended budget.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported his department has received 4 radios from Homeland Security.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Laura Garrison-Fiek, as part-time corrections officer, effective August 6, 2010.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a five (5) minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Casper, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a five (5) minute executive session at
9:07 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:12 a.m. Also included in the session was Sheriff Brian Marks.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator, Chad Blackwood, Murphy Tractor and Mark Jennings, John Deere Credit discussed lease purchase options for the purchase of equipment for the Road and Bridge Dept. Blackwood invited the Board, Asch and Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director to a tour of the John Deere factory in Davenport, Iowa on September 22 – 24.

Asch reported they met with FEMA representatives last week, regarding the damage from the recent rains, and will meet with them again on September 8; and discussed various other routine items.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste reported he would be meeting with FEMA representatives tomorrow. Murdock gave a report on the Kansas Organization of Recyclers Conference he attended last week.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security meeting, in Beloit, on August 24, 2010 and reported the next meeting will be a tabletop exercise on September 28th, in Belleville, and invited the other Commissioners to attend.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the North Central Regional Planning meeting, in Beloit, on Thursday, August 26th.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported they will be implementing a new “Medication Management Program” at the Health Dept. Gering discussed various other items with the Board.

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

Barry Porter, County Appraiser presented a personnel classification for the hire of Janet Price, as a part-time cartographer in the Appraisers office, effective September 8, 2010, at her previous rate of $14.12 per hour, plus mileage. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the sale of surplus property from the Health Dept. It was decided to give the other county departments the opportunity to inspect and request any of the surplus equipment for their departments, as well as place any of their surplus equipment on the sale bill.

The Board will participate on KNCK Coffeetime on Friday, September 3rd.
Brian Marks, Sheriff presented a classification change for David Tanking from part-time corrections officer to fulltime correction officer, to fill a vacant position, effective August 26th.

The Courthouse and county offices will be closed on Monday, September 6th, in observance of the Labor Day Holiday, and the Commissioners will meet on Tuesday, September 7th.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m.
Regular session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 7, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Dolores Landry and Larry Sorell, Convention and Tourism Committee; Tom Tuggle; Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio; Todd Robinson, Kansas Wildlife and Parks; Bill Garrison; and Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $117,626.66.

The Chairman signed the monthly expense checks.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer presented the report on the compensating use and sales tax collections for August (July sales) in the amount of $68,002.25, compared to $47,605.33 collected in 2009.

Todd Robinson, Kansas Dept. of Wildlife and Parks presented information on an 8000 lb. WARN winch and requested they be allowed to purchase the winch from Diversion funds. The cost of the winch and cover would be approximately $610. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the purchase of the winch from diversion funds, to use by Law Enforcement.

Tom Tuggle presented information on an attorney general’s opinion concerning Convention and Tourism Committees. Tuggle presented recommendations, for review by the Tourism Committee and the Commissioners, concerning changes to the By-laws.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a classification change for Nathan LaBarge from Construction Laborer to Truck Driver, effective September 6, 2010, at a rate of $11.92 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change.

Asch presented a classification change for Graig Anderson from Truck Driver to Heavy Equipment Operator, effective September 6, 2010, at a rate of $13.14 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the change.

In other business, Asch reported he will be meeting with FEMA later this week and presented a map showing the 61 locations where there was road damage or bridge damage caused by the rain and storms that occurred this spring and summer.
On motion by Commissioner Caspers, 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 Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Commissioner Engle as voting delegate and Commissioner Caspers as alternate voting delegate to the KWORCC annual meeting to be held in Overland Park, on Monday, November 15, 2010.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they have shipped 309 tons of recyclables to date compared to 222 tons shipped at this time last year; and reported we should receive a reimbursement from FEMA, in the amount $1,641.00 to cover the costs of machine hours and administrative hours for the Transfer Station for maintaining the tree pile that was generated from storm damaged trees.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 30-2010 to cancel check # 119796, in the amount of $100, due to the check being lost.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed various items with the Board. McNichols reported they will be purchasing a Lead Care II Blood Testing machine, at a cost of $1895, to be used during their KanBe Healthy exams. They will be applying for a grant from the Community Foundation, in the amount of $895, for the Health Dept portion of the cost. The remaining cost of the machine will be paid by Early Head Start, since this test is required for admission into the Early Head Start Program.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director discussed the Payment in Lieu of Tax (PILOT) Agreement being proposed by the Commissioners to replace the original Development Agreement with Horizon Wind Energy.

Lowell also presented the letter that he and Commissioner Engle drafted that will be sent to Horizon accepting the PILOT Agreement proposed by the Board of County Commissioners.

Commissioner Engle moved to approve and sign the letter, after corrections were made, and approve and sign the PILOT Agreement with Horizon Wind Energy, second by Commissioner Caspers, with reservations, as he is deeply disappointed in the dollar amount but the majority of the people in the county would want us to accept it, unanimous vote.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m. until Monday, September 13, 2010.
Adjourned session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 13, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio; Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager; Chris Edin, Concordia City Police Chief; Susan Sprague, North Central Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging; CHS Government Students: Liv McGuire, Devin Noel, James Remley, Richelle Luongo, Andrew Timme, Ashleigh Johnson, Natalie Hartzell.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney he will be working on the ad for the sale of the former Health Dept. building.

Walsh, Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Chris Edin, Concordia Police Chief discussed the dispatch services provided by the City of Concordia. Uri reported the city will be hiring another full-time dispatcher.

Uri discussed the agreement that was signed, between the city and county, in 2001 for dispatch services. It was suggested that Walsh, Marks, Edin and Uri work on a revision for the dispatch agreement for presentation to both the City and County Commissioners for approval.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a request from Mitchell County Rural Water District # 3 for a buried water line at 2 locations: across Eagle Road east of 60th Road and 5/8 mile North of Eagle on 50th Road. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the request.

The Board set October 4th at 1:30 p.m. to tour county roads with Asch.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the September 7th regular meeting and the September 8th intergovernmental meeting as presented.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly department head meeting.
Linda Bogart, County Clerk discussed the purchasing card renewals; reported they are waiting for the remaining budgets to be brought in and so they can begin calculating final valuations and levies; and they are beginning work on the November election.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent reported they have several local entries at the State Fair; and discussed their wheat plots and the fall crops.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the sale of excess equipment planned for October 15th at the former Health Dept. building.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator reported they will be scheduling flu clinics in the future and they are working on plans for an Open House for the new Health Department facility, to be held in October.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported routine business at both the Transfer Station and the Recycling Center.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he has been installing equipment in the Register of Deeds office and had removed several viruses from county computers.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported data collection is almost complete for the year; and we have received 25 applications for the Neighborhood Revitalization Program.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are trying to catch up on projects that could not be completed due to the rains and storms.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported routine business in her office.

The group discussed the procedure for ordering copy paper.

Commissioner Engle reported they are still waiting to hear from Horizon Wind Energy concerning the PILOT Agreement.

The Department head meeting ended at 10:40 a.m. and open session resumed at 10:50 a.m.

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

The Board acknowledged the termination of Tonya Johnston as a part-time corrections officer, effective September 9, 2010.

Brian Marks, Diane McNichols, and Diana Gering discussed Medication Set-up at the Cloud County Jail. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the agreement and procedure policy between the Cloud County Home Health Agency and the Cloud County Sheriff’s Department for medication set-up, with a charge of $50 per month.
Susan Sprague, Long Term Care Director with North Central Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging discussed the services provided for the Senior Care Program provided by the Area Agency on Aging.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on Friday, September 10, 2010.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 noon until Monday, September 30, 2010.
Adjourned session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 20, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Andy Asch, Highway Director; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; and Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Others attending were: Christy Bechard, Ken Morris and Mark Hellickson, AFLAC Representatives.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $118,322.33.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Washington, on Wednesday, September 15th and the Convention and Tourism meeting on Thursday, September 16th.

Commissioner Engle reported he participated on KNCK Coffeetime on Friday, September 17th.

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

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented information regarding the lease purchase of motor graders.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various routine Solid Waste and Recycling matters.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager presented the agreement for auctioneering services with Danny Kearn DBA Kearn Auction Services. The County will be conducting a sale of surplus equipment on October 15th. Kearn will provide the auctioneering service at no cost to the County. The county will pay the cost of advertising and clerking sheets. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the agreement.

Johnson discussed the purchase of an Industrial vacuum cleaner for use at the courthouse.
Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators reported they received the grant and will be purchasing the Lead Care II Blood Testing Machine.

McNichols discussed the Federal Emergency Preparedness Grant the Health Dept. is required to apply for. The Health Dept. will be coordinating with the Cloud County Health Center, Cloud County Emergency Preparedness and other agencies to meet the preparation and filing requirements for this grant.

Gering reported that Vonda Pumarlo, RN has been doing the Emergency Preparedness Grant but because of the increased reporting requirements it will require more of her time. Gering asked the Board to consider allowing them to hire another LPN or RN to assume some of Pumarlo’s Home Health duties.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech discussed computer procedures for county employees.

Christy Bechard, Ken Morris and Mark Hellickson, AFLAC Representatives presented an overview of the new Critical Illness Plan AFLAC will be offering county employees during the annual Cafeteria Plan enrollment.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director discussed the Attorney General Grant for Supervised Visitation and Exchange, the necessity of a visitation center for domestic child custody issues and the necessity for liability insurance coverage for those employees.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m., until Monday, September 27, 2010.
Adjourned session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 27, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director; Jon Puckett and Bill Jackson, Representatives from the City of Miltonvale.

The Board reviewed the various departments’ monthly expense vouchers.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director and Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the revisions to the agreement with Horizon Wind Energy.

Jon Puckett and Bill Jackson, Representatives from the City of Miltonvale and Andy Asch, Highway Administrator visited with the Board about the Road and Bridge department assisting with the sealing of a number of streets in Miltonvale. Asch will work with the city to make arrangements.

Asch presented classification authorization for 2 new hires: Dustin Hittle and Travis Taylor were hired as construction laborers, effective October 11th, at a rate of $11.02 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the new hires, which will fill open positions in the Department.

Asch discussed the purchase of new motor grader and other routine business.

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

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator reported that due to an increased number of patient referrals they need to hire a part-time Home Health Aide. Beginning October 4th the Health Dept. will be offering flu shots and on October 6th they will have extended hours, until 8:00 p.m., for persons needing flu shots.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote to Designate October as Down Syndrome Awareness Month in Cloud County.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.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 4, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; and Barry Porter, County Appraiser.

Others attending were: Ashley Davis and Sara Newell, CHS Government Students; Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director; Joe Reedy; David Hotalen, Liberty National Life Ins. Co.; Carol Miller, NCK CASA Director; Cameron Thurner, Miki Voelker, Jerrica Wright and Andrea Quill, Domestic Violence Association; Joe Hurla, 360 Energy.

The Board signed approved department payrolls totaling $117,521.37.
The Chairman signed the department monthly expense checks.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer presented the monthly report on the amount of sales tax and compensating use tax collected for September (August sales) 2010, in the amount of $57,408.03, compared to $55,719.22 collected in September 2009.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director continued the discussion regarding the suggested changes to the development agreement with Horizon Wind Energy. (At Horizon’s request the Board did not conduct the scheduled conference call).

Walsh discussed various other routine items with the Board.

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

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator and Joe Reedy discussed the need for a stop sign at the intersection of 100th and Quail Road. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 31-2010 allowing for the installation of a stop sign in the SE Corner 3-6-4, which is the intersection of 100th and Quail Road.

Asch reported they would not be assisting the City of Miltonvale seal a number of their streets this fall. Due to it being late in the season and the temperature is to cool now for the oil to set and they would have the best results if they wait until spring for this project.
Asch reported he has sent grader proposals to Foley Tractor; Murphy Tractor; Victor L. Phillips and Berry Tractor. The Board set October 18th at 9:30 a.m. for the opening of those proposals.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator discussed a new program offered thru “Vision Share” for Medicare billings.

David Hotalen, Liberty National Life Insurance Company discussed life insurance options available with his company. The Board will review the information presented.

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

Commissioner Caspers reported he and Commissioner Crawford attended the Homeland Security meeting in Belleville on September 28th and participated in a tabletop exercise regarding animal diseases and stop movement plans.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Pawnee Mental Health meeting, in Clay Center, on September 28th.

Carol Miller, NCK CASA Director; Cameron Thurner, Miki Voelker, Jerrica Wright and Andrea Quill representing The Domestic Violence Association presented a Proclamation designating October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Proclamation.

Thurner reported the Domestic Violence Association of Central Kansas will be conducting a candlelight vigil on October 11th at 5:30 p.m. and the Nazareth Motherhouse, in recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

The Board recessed at 11:35 a.m. and will resume open session at 1:00 p.m.

Joe Hurla, 360 Energy discussed options for the energy grant the county has applied for.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech and Barry Porter, County Appraiser discussed the disposal of county owned computer equipment. The Board approved allowing it to be included on the surplus equipment sale to be held on October 15, at the old Health Dept. building.

At 1:30 p.m. the Board conducted a tour of various county roads with Andy Asch, Highway Administrator.

The Board adjourned at 4:20 p.m., until Monday, October 11, 2010.
Adjourned session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 11, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending was: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Mason Johnson, Undersheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Todd Whitney, Extension Agent.

Others attending were: Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director; Randy Dick, KAW Valley Insurance, Inc.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Mason Johnson, Undersheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Marks presented a classification change for Valerie Sheely from a part-time corrections officer to full-time corrections officer, effective October 11, 2010, at a rate of $13.12 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change.

Kirk Lowell, CloudCorp Executive Director continued discussion on the development agreement with Horizon Wind Energy. The Board reviewed a letter to be sent to Horizon with the revised copy of the development agreement. After suggested changes are made to the letter the Commissioners will each stop by the Clerk’s office, later in the week, to review and sign the letter.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various routine matters.

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

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they are doing routine business.

Sheryl Williams, County Treasurer reported they have published the Delinquent Personal Property list and it will be turned over to District Court; they will be doing a tax distribution next week; and they are doing preliminary work to get ready to print 2010 tax statements.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are working on various road projects; we will be receiving approximately $26,000 in reimbursements from FEMA for debris removal and signage placement caused by the heavy rains this summer.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech reported he has completed the installation of computers in the Register of Deeds office; he is working with the Treasurer’s office to begin preparation for the new motor vehicle program that will be implemented in July 2011; and the website training is complete and Manatron will conduct individual web-site trainings in the future, if needed.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they are doing routine patrolling and his employees will be attending training in the future.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported the old landfill site was inspected last week; and students from NCK Vo-Tech will be here at the end of the month to begin work on the Construction/Demolition Pit expansion.

Diane McNichols, Co Health Administrator reported they have started giving flu shots and they will have late hours again on Wednesday, October 13th, until 7:00 p.m. for individuals wanting flu shots; and the Cloud County Health Fair will be held Saturday, October 16th.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported they will have an Open House at the Health Dept. on October 22nd from 1:00 until 4:30 p.m.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager reported they are getting ready for the surplus equipment auction to be held on Friday, October 15th.

Todd Whitney, Extension Agent discussed the fall harvest and grain prices.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported Christy Bechard, AFLAC representative will be meeting with County employees beginning Monday, October 18 for the re-enrollment for the Section 125; they are preparing for the November General Election; Advance voting begins on Wednesday, October 13th and voter registration books close on Monday, October 18th at the end of the business day; and they are working on the tax check list in preparation for setting final valuations, tax levies and printing tax statements.

The department head meeting ended at 10:25 a.m.

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

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency meeting on Friday, October 8th.
Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Convention and Tourism meeting on Friday, October 8th.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #32-2010 to cancel check # 120404, in the amount of $383.61, due to the check being issued to the wrong vendor.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #33-2010 to cancel check # 119998, in the amount of $120.00, due to the check being issued to the wrong vendor.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various routine items.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator discussed the 2 positions available at the Health Dept.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator discussed the emergency day care closing which happened in Beloit last week.

Randy Dick, KAW Valley Insurance, Inc. discussed insurance provided by his company.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m., until Monday, October 18, 2010.
Adjourned session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 18, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Karl Jacobson; Casey Fraser, Foley Tractor; Chad Blackwood, Murphy Tractor; Janet Heiger, BCBS; Arlene Clayton; Mayra Duran and Martha Carlson, CHS Government Students.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $117,052.92.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Karl Jacobson; and Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the farm lease on the Transfer Station land. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved continuing the lease with Karl Jacobson at a rate of $4,000 per year.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported on an accident that happened south of Simpson last week.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Gerry Nester as a part-time equipment operator at the Transfer Station, effective October 18, 2010.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the ad that will be run in area newspapers concerning the sale of the old Health Department building. Walsh reported the deadline to receive the sealed bids in the County Clerk’s office will be at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, November 5th, with the bid opening at 9:15 a.m. on Monday, November 8th.

Walsh requested a five (5) minute executive session to discuss attorney-client privileges. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive session at 9:27 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:32 a.m.

Walsh requested a second five (5) minute executive session to continue discussion of attorney-client privileges. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive session at 9:38 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:43 a.m.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented proposals for the purchase of a motor grader. Proposals were received from Murphy Tractor, in the amount of $167,000; Berry Tractor in the amount of $182,801; Foley Tractor in the amount of $168,341; and Victor L. Phillips in the amount of $214,637. The Board asked Asch to review the proposals before a final decision is made.

Janet Hieger, Blue Cross and Blue Shield presented information regarding our renewal rates for 2011. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board moved to continue with Blue Cross and Blue Shield in 2011 for employee health insurance coverage.

Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators presented classification authorization for the hire of Stephanie Hake as a part-time Home Health Aide, at $8.67 per hour, effective October 25, 2010. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

Gering presented a classification authorization for the hire of Elaine Pauls as a Fulltime Home Health Nurse, at $16.73 per hour, effective November 3, 2010. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items with the Board.

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

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved appointing Commissioner Engle as voting delegate and Commissioner Caspers as alternate voting delegate to the KCAMP annual meeting, to be held on November 15, 2010 in Overland Park.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the management representation letter for the 2009 Audit.

The Commissioners may attend a study session, regarding the hospital, at Concordia City Hall on Wednesday, October 20, 2010.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m. until Monday, October 25, 2010.
Adjourned session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 24, 2011 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Johnita Crawford, Members Gail Engle, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diana Gering, Health Administrator.

Others attending were:

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

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported the sealing project has been completed on the Jamestown/Glasco Road from Hwy 9 North to the County line.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Brad Czapanskiy as a construction laborer, effective October 17, 2011.

The Board will tour county roads with Asch next Monday afternoon, October 31, 2011.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported that because of the dry conditions they have prepared a 3 sided dirt berm and persons wanting to dispose of fireplace ashes can deposit them there. The berm is located by the metal pile and they will have signs posted as to the location.

Murdock stated that because of the dry conditions they are unable to burn the tree pile, at the Transfer Station; and GeoCore will be here tomorrow to inspect and test our test wells at the old Landfill site; and at the Recycling Center they shipped another load of cardboard last week.

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

The Board acknowledged the following wage changes, due to Sheriff’s authority: Jonathan Strowing from $15.19 per hour to $16.05 per hour and Nicholas Patterson from $15.19 per hour to $16.05 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a classification change for John Primeaux, to fill a vacant position,
from part-time corrections officer to full-time corrections officer, effective October 31, 2011, at $13.12 per hour.

Diana Gering, Health Administrator presented a classification sheets for the hire of 2 Home Health RN’s, due to the Health Dept accepting numerous new clients due to the closing of the Innovative Care Office, in Concordia. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Linda Coons, as Home Health RN, effective October 31, 2011, at a rate of $16.73 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Kimberly Randall, as Home Health RN, effective October 31, 2011, at a rate of $16.73 per hour.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a classification change for Dana Alkire from part-time homemaker to full-time homemaker, effective October 31, 2011, with no wage change.

Gering reported they would be conducting an evening flu shot clinic on Wednesday, October 26th from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Health Dept.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the JJA/Community Corrections Advisory Board meeting on Wednesday, October 19th and also the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Junction City, on Wednesday, October 19th.

All of the Commissioners attended a study session with the Concordia City Commission on Wednesday, October 19th.

The Board adjourned at 10:42 a.m., until Monday, October 31, 2011.
Adjourned session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 25, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Jerry Collins, IT Tech; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director.

Others attending were: Tyler Nondorf, CHS Government Student; Casey Fraser, Foley Tractor and Chad Blackwood, Murphy Tractor; Gary May, District Sanitarian.

The Board reviewed department expense vouchers.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported he and Mason Johnson, Undersheriff will be attending the Kansas Sheriff’s Association Annual meeting, in Topeka, October 26 – 28; and discussed various routine Sheriff Dept. matters.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager and Jerry Collins, IT Tech discussed the advertising for the old Health Dept. building. Collins will put the information on the county web-site.

Walsh discussed the development agreement with Horizon Wind Energy.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Casey Fraser, Foley Tractor; and Chad Blackwood, Murphy Tractor discussed the grader proposals presented last week. After reviewing the proposals Asch suggested accepting the proposal from Foley Tractor, in the amount of $174,943. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Fraser, unanimous vote the Board approved the purchase of a motor grader from Foley Tractor, in the amount of $174,943.

Asch discussed various other routine Road and Bridge Department matters.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented information received from KDHE regarding the inspection of the old landfill site. Murdock reported that last Monday afternoon he traveled to Washington County for a demonstration on alternative covers for Construction/Demolition and Solid Waste landfill sites.

Murdock reported they have shipped 368.84 tons of recyclables year to date, which is approximately 20 tons less that the amount shipped last year at this time.
The Board discussed several complaints they have received concerning the recycling center. Murdock will check into the matter.

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

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

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Juvenile Detention meeting, in Junction City, on Wednesday, October 20th.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly report.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator discussed the open house held at the Health Dept. on Friday, October 22nd and various other routine Health Dept. matters.

Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the 2010 Community Corrections Year End Outcome Report Signatory Approval Forms for signature. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the 2010 Community Corrections Year-End Outcome Signatory Approval form.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a five (5) minute executive session to discuss attorney-client privileges. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a five (5) minute executive session at 11:49 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:54 a.m.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m.
Regular session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 8:15 a.m. on November 1, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Barry Porter, County Appraisers; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager; Ellen Anderson, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators.

Others attending were: Kristy Shrader, Coordinator Supervised Exchange & Visitation Services; Kim Cudney, District Judge; Wanda Backstrom, Court Services Officer; Everett Ford.

The Board signed department expense checks and approved department payrolls totaling $120,746.74.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Kristy Shrader, Coordinator of the Supervised Exchange and Visitation Services Program; Kim Cudney, District Judge; and Wanda Backstrom, Court Services Officer discussed the Supervised Visitation and Child Exchange Services Program. The program is funded by grants thru the Governor’s Office and the Attorney General’s office.

Judge Cudney explained that due to an IRS Audit of the state-wide program changes are being made to the grant requirements. She stated that because of the changes they will have to either have to apply for their own 501c3 tax exempt status or their contract personnel would need to be considered part-time employees of the county and be covered under the county’s liability insurance. Because of the changes the dollar amount of the grants will be increased to help cover the additional costs. The Board will gather information regarding the insurance before a decision is made.

The Board received information on the amount of sales tax and compensating use tax received in October (Sept. sales) which totaled $62,755.34, compared to the amount received in October 2009, in the amount of $57,482.95.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney continued discussion on the development agreement with Horizon Wind Energy.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security meeting on October 26th. The meeting was held at Crisis City, the Homeland Security Training Center.

Commissioner Crawford attended the North Central Regional Planning Annual meeting and banquet on Tuesday, October 26th, in Concordia.
On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as corrected. (Paragraph concerning the purchase of the motor grader from Foley Tractor, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Caspers rather than Commissioner Fraser).

Barry Porter, County Appraiser discussed the purchase of computers for his department and exempt property.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the heating for the old Health Dept. building.

Johnson presented the Commissioner a check for $1,800.80, which is the net proceeds from the surplus equipment sale.

The Board discussed advertising for bids for the Employee Christmas Dinner. Bids will be received in the County Clerk’s office until 4:30 p.m. on November 19th with bid openings to be held on November 22nd at 10:45 a.m.

Everett Ford discussed a charge he received for hauling debris to the Construction and Demolition site, at the Transfer Station. The Board will check into this matter.

Ellen Anderson, JJA Community Correction Director presented Resolution # 34-2010 for appointments following appointments to the JJA/Community Corrections Advisory Board: Wanda Backstrom, Cloud Court Services Chief as Court Services Representative; Johnita Crawford, Cloud County Commissioner, as Cloud County Representative; Steve Greene, Jewell County Commissioner as Jewell County Representative; Jenny Parker, Concordia SRS as General Public Representative; Sherrie Radcliffe, City of Concordia Representative; and Al Joe Wallace, Lincoln County Commissioner as Lincoln County Representative. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointments.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed the equipment received from Homeland Security and the training possibilities that will be available thru Homeland Security at Crisis City, in Salina.

Diane Mc Nichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators reported that local health departments who are members of the Kansas Public Health Association (KPHA) are able to apply for a $10,000 grant through the United Methodist Health Ministry Fund to create new initiatives and expand current programs to promote and support breastfeeding. The Health Dept. will be applying for the $10,000 grant funds.

The Board will canvass General Election results on Friday, on November 5th, at 8:00 a.m.

The Board adjourned at 11:00 a.m., until Monday, November 8, 2010.
Adjourned session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 8, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Leonard Reedy and Mark Morgan.

Commissioner Crawford asked Sheriff Marks to thank Officer Strowig for his quick response in reporting the fire in Clyde on Tuesday, November 2, 2010.

The Board opened the 2 bids received for the former Health Department building. Bids were received from Greg Girard in the amount of $3,001.50 and from Rex Swihart in the amount of $5,200. The Board will consider the bids before a decision is made.

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

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the 4-H Awards and Recognition Banquet on Saturday, November 6, 2010.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator and Leonard Reedy discussed the repairs on his road. Asch stated they are planning to begin work on Reedy’s road next Tuesday, November 16th.

Asch reported the new motor grader has been delivered and will be put into service in the near future; and he also reported they have received 2 checks from FEMA totaling $39,513.66 for the clean up of storm damage and placing barricades and they should be receiving another check from FEMA for approximately $72,000 to cover a portion of the cost of the road repairs.
At 10:00 a.m. the Board conducted their monthly department head meeting.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they are conducting investigations on several cases and the number of car/deer accidents is starting to increase.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they will be receiving money from FEMA for storm damages from this year.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech discussed the telephone and e-mail scams that have been received in several different county offices during the last month.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported they are starting to do final review and are checking on some of the new construction.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported the NCK Vocational Technical College will be starting construction of the new construction/demolition cell, at the Transfer Station; and they have now shipped 373.20 Tons of recyclables to date.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator reported Elaine Pauls, RN and Stephanie Hake, HHA have started working at the Health Dept.

Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrator reported they are continuing to give flu shots and will have late hours, for flu shots, on Wednesday November 10th and 17th, until 7:00 p.m.

Linda Bogart, County Clerk reported they are finishing up with the General Election and setting levies, doing their state abstract and printing tax statements.

The Department Head meeting ended at 10:30 a.m.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser discussed reviewing the tax exempt status before reports are completed; and discussed the former Health Dept. building.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported the NCK Vocational Technical College will be starting construction of the new construction/demolition cell; because of the complaints received concerning the Recycling Center he discussed the procedures they have implemented to handle those complaints.
Diane McNichols and Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrators presented a classification change for Stephanie Hake from part-time Home Health Aide to a full-time Home Health Aide, effective November 8, 2010, at $9.20 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the change to fill a vacant position.

The Board acknowledged the termination of Kim Mathews, as a Home Health Aide, effective November 5, 2010.

The Courthouse and County Offices will be closed on Thursday, November 11th, in observance of the Veteran’s Day Holiday.

The Commissioners will be attending the Kansas Association of Counties (KAC) meeting in Overland Park, on November 15 – 16, 2010.

The Board discussed the bids received for the former Health Dept. building. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the high bid of $5,200 received from Rex Swihart for the former Health Dept. building.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m. until Monday, November 22, 2010.
Adjourned session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 22, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Gary May, District Sanitarian; Larry Sorell, Dolores Landry, Susan Cantine-Maxson, Ronald Hearn's Cloud County Convention and Tourism Committee; Susie Haver and Tammy Britt, Tourism Directors; Nick Landry; Toby Nosker, KNCK Radio; Tom Tuggle; Craig Ballou; Macey Strang, Ashley Thoman, Taylor Solt, James Stedman; Brooke Weber, Anna Morrissette, Paige Charbonneau, Paige Champlin, Alexis Sparrow, Colton Acridge, Cody Gennette, Zach Beims, Blaine Newton, Carlee Baumann, Tavia Fazel, Holly Kindel, Taylor Chrisco, Melissa Hartsel, Cassandra Purvis, Madison Deal, Nikole Ottens, CHS Government Students; Steven Mitchell CHS Government Teacher.

The Board approved the November 15th department payrolls totaling $121,645.31.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a five (5) minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a five (5) minute executive session at 9:02 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:07 a.m. Also included in the session was Jerry Collins, IT Tech.

The Commissioners requested a second five (5) minute executive session to continue discussion of non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a five (5) minute executive session at 9:10 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:15 a.m. Also included in the session was Jerry Collins, IT Tech.

Walsh discussed various other routine items with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the November 5th canvass for the General Election and the minutes of the November 8th regular session as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2010-001 thru 2010-035 totaling $2,107.88.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various items with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Information Sheet for the Bridge Plaque for Bridge # 15C-4253-01.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director presented a personnel classification for the hire of Rod Howard as a part-time equipment operator, at the Transfer Station, effective November 22, 2010, at a rate of $8.00 per hour. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire.

Murdock discussed various other items with the Board.

The Board opened the 2 proposals received for the Employee Christmas Dinner. Proposals were received from Kentucky Fried Chicken and Larry John Doyen DBA Texas Red’s Catering. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved accepting the proposal from Larry John Doyen DBA Texas Red’s Catering.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board reappointed Carol Chartier to a three (3) year term on the Pawnee Mental Health Board of Directors.

Gary May, District Sanitarian presented his monthly update.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a ten (10) minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 10 minute executive session at 11:10 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:20 a.m.

The Board requested a fifteen (15) minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 15 minute executive session at 11:23 a.m. and resumed open session at 11:38 a.m. Also included in the session was Diana Gering.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator discussed the generator at the Health Dept. and other routine matters.

The Board broke the tie for several township clerk positions that resulted after the canvas of the November 2nd General Election. Results from the coin toss and drawing of lot were:

Lyon Township: Craig Ballou; Shirley Township: James Koch;
Oakland Township: Linda Richard; Meredith Township: Fran Garrison;
Solomon Township: Loren Pounds; Starr Township: Myrna Neaderhiser.
The Board recessed at 12:00 noon and resumed open session at 1:30 p.m.

Tom Tuggle discussed the By-Laws for the Convention and Tourism Committee and the changes he is recommending to those By-Laws. After a lengthy discussion the Board felt they should be the ones to approve any changes to the By-Laws and also that at the present time they do not feel any changes should be made. No further action was taken.

The Board adjourned at 3:20 p.m., until Monday, November 29, 2010.
Adjourned session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 29, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: P.J. Owen, Owen Trucking; Michelle Treanor and Devin Stolzenburg, CHS Government Students.

The Board reviewed Department monthly expense vouchers.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $122,838.80.

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

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

The Board received a call from Tom Job, KCAMP concerning the possibility of Cloud County providing liability insurance coverage for the individuals who provide contracted services to the Supervised Visitation and Exchange Center. Job reported that for these individuals to be covered under the County’s liability insurance they would need to be considered employees of Cloud County and under the control of the County Commissioners. The Board recognized the importance of this program but no final decision was made on this matter.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the Farm Lease for the 21.75 acres of hayland located at the Arion Rock Pit; and discussed various other routine items.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director and P.J Owen, Owen Trucking discussed the 2011 Hauling Contract. The suggested rate for 2011 was $280 per trip, which is an increase of $3.00 from the current $277 per trip. The increase was requested due to an increase in the cost of tires and oil. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved renewing the hauling contract and amendment with Owen Trucking for 2011, at a rate of $280 per trip.

The Board set the annual Solid Waste Committee meeting for Tuesday, December 14th at 7:00 p.m., at the Courthouse meeting room.
Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security meeting in Beloit, Tuesday, November 23, 2010.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency meeting on Friday, November 12, 2010.

The Board acknowledged a letter received from the Kansas Development Finance Authority regarding the Beginning Farmer application and intent to issue bonds for Greg and Sandy Conway. The Board had no objections to the application and issuance of bonds.

Diana Gering and Diane McNichols, Co-Health Administrators discussed various items with the Board. McNichols reported they would be conducting a “Point of Dispensing” Tabletop Exercise on December 9th.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m.
Adjourned session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 6, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

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

Others attending were: Donald Dean, Campbell & Johnson; Christy Palmeri and Pat Dolan, Prepaid Legal Services, Inc.; Drake Champlin, Myesha Smith, Shakiel Walls and Caleb Stupka, CHS Government Students.

The Board signed the monthly expense checks.

The Board and Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested a fifteen (15) minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 15 minute executive session at 9:03 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:18 a.m. Also included in the session was the County Clerk.

The Board and Walsh requested a second executive session for ten (10) minutes to continue discussion of non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 10 minute executive session at 9:22 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:32 a.m. Also included in the session was the County Clerk.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator and Don Dean, Campbell and Johnson discussed their proposal for Bridge Inspections. Due to additional State and Federal requirements the amount of time to inspect each bridge and complete the required paperwork will increase. They are requesting an increase from the $40 currently charged per bridge to $59.14 per bridge. The Board and Asch recommended they start the inspections as soon as possible.

Asch presented 2 Right of Way Use Permits for buried waterlines with Rural Water District # 1. The 1st permit is for a buried waterline across Plum Road approximately ½ mile west of US 81 (1386 Jeep Rd.). The 2nd permit is for a buried waterline crossing 145th Road at 1204 N 145th Rd. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved both requests.
Craig Ballou discussed the Cash Farm Lease for the 21.75A of hayland located in NE1/4 NE1/4 9-7-4 (also known as the Arion Rock Pit). The lease would be for a term of 3 years, from January 1, 2011 thru December 31, 2013, with rent set at $445 per year. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the lease with Mr. Ballou.

The Board reviewed information received from the County Treasurer concerning the amount of sales and compensating use tax collected in November 2010 (October sales) totaling $57,252.50, compared to $47,566.95 collected in November 2009.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director reported they would be accepting fireplace ashes at the Transfer Station but asked that they be deposited in the ash pit only. He also reported they would be accepting deer carcasses at the Transfer Station but they would need to be double bagged before they are put in the trailer.

The Transfer Station and the Recycling Center will be closed on December 24th and 25th for the Christmas Holiday and December 31st and January 1st for the New Year’s Holiday.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2010-37 to #2010-43 totaling $282.28.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting on Thursday, December 2nd.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #35-2010 for the transfer of unused funds in the amount of $12,000 from the Election Fund to the Election Capital Outlay Fund.

Christy Palmeri and Pat Dolan, Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc. discussed the services available with their company. Pre-Paid Legal Services has Legal Plans for Families and Identity Theft Protection available to County Employees for a monthly fee. The Board asked them to make a presentation to department heads at the monthly department head meeting next week before a decision is made.

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

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Linda Richard as Oakland Township Clerk and Myrna Neaderhiser as Starr Township Clerk.
On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the following appointments for vacant Township Clerk positions:

- Kurt Zimmer-Grant Township Clerk
- Keith Portenier-Summit Township Clerk
- Max Coleman-Oakland Township Clerk
- Dona Schultz-Starr Township Clerk

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m., until Monday, December 13, 2010.
Adjourned session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 13, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford and Gary Caspers, and Deputy County Clerk Cathy Davis present.

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

Others attending were: Kirk Lowell-CloudCorp.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $131,073.60.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the December 6, 2010 meeting as presented.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements 2010-44 thru 2010-50 totaling $842.76.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #36-2010 appointing Starla Borg-Nelson, Attorney-At-Law as the Acting County Attorney, December 24, 2010 through January 4, 2011.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney stated the contract for Diane McNichols-Co-Health Administrator was expiring December 31, 2010. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board decided not to renew the contract for Diane McNichols for the 2011 year.

Sheriff Brian Marks discussed various routine matters with the Board; and presented the Commissioner’s with a Classification Authorization for the hiring of John D. Primeauz as part time Correction Officer/Transport Driver at $10.00 hour. Also Marks requested an executive session for five (5) minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board recessed into a 5 minute executive session at 9:05 a.m. and resumed open session at 9:10 a.m. Also included in the session was the County Attorney.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various routine matters and presented a Road Surfacing Policy effective January 1, 2011. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing of the new Road Surfacing Policy.

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

Christy Palmeri and Pat Dolan, Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc. discussed services available with their company. They will be meeting with the Department Heads to see if any of the county employees would be interested in their plans.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various routine matters and they are finishing road projects.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various routine matters and he will be attending the Solid Waste Committee meeting on December 14, 2010 at 7:00 in the Courthouse meeting room.

Jerry Collins, IT Tech discussed various routine matters.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they received a $600.00 grant from the Chemical Dependency Group and they are using that to put new Preliminary Breath Testers (PBT) in the vehicles.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Supervisor discussed various routine matters.


The Department Head meeting ended at 10:50 a.m.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board Approved sending the Cereal Malt Beverage Application from Star Fuel Investments dba Concordia Travel Plaza to Shirley Township officers for approval.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed various routine matters.

Diana Gering, Health Administrator discussed routine business and that three-fourths of the 2009 Medicare billing is done.

Kirk Lowell, Executive Director of CloudCorp presented a 2011 Funding Agreement. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Agreement for the year 2011 for $50,000.00.

Commissioner Engle attended the Chemical Dependency Meeting on December 10, 2010 and the E-Waste Meeting with Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director on December 15, 2010.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 p.m., until Monday, December 20, 2010.
Adjourned session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 20, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Diana Gering, Interim Health Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Tech.

Others attending were: Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager; Heath Hoesli, CHS Government Student.

Diana Gering, Interim Health Administrator and Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the Health Dept and the Interim Health Administrator position. No decision was made.

Walsh discussed various other routine items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a Right of Way Use Permit for Mark Gram, for a buried electrical line approximately 1068’ East of 250th Road on Rock Road. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the permit.

Asch discussed various other routine Road and Bridge matters with the Board.

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

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the engagement letter with Lindburg, Vogel, Pierce, Faris Chartered to conduct the 2010 year-end audit.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2010-52 thru 2001-0057 totaling $571.92.

Commissioner Crawford reported she attended the Tourism meeting on Tuesday, December 14th and the Juvenile Detention meeting on Wednesday, December 15th.
All of the Commissioners attended the Solid Waste Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.

Gail reported he participated in Coffeetime on Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.

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

Jerry Collins, IT Tech and Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager discussed the services provided by Collins for computer services. Uri asked the contract be extended thru 2011. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the extension to the contract between the City of Concordia and Cloud County for computer services to be provided by Jerry Collins, the County’s IT Tech.

Diana Gering, Co-Health Administrator discussed various routine items with the Board.

The Board hosted the employee Christmas dinner at 11:30.

The Board adjourned at 1:15 p.m., until Monday, December 27, 2010.
Adjourned session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 27, 2010 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gail Engle, Members Johnita Crawford, and Gary Caspers, and County Clerk Linda Bogart present.

County staff attending were: Diana Gering, Interim Health Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director; Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Danny McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board; Susie Haver and Tammy Britt, Tourism Directors and Dolores Landry, Convention and Tourism Committee.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $159,626.30. The Board reviewed the department monthly expense vouchers.

Diana Gering, Interim Health Administrator discussed various routine items with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing an Employment Agreement with Diana Gering as the Interim Health Administrator, for a period of 3 months, from January 1, 2011 thru March 31, 2011.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed various items with the Board.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented Resolution # 37-2010 for the Transfer of unused funds from Road and Bridge to the Road and Bridge Machinery and Equipment Fund, with the amount to be determined after the 2010 County Audit. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Resolution.

Asch discussed various routine Road and Bridge matters with the Board.

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

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved sending notice to the Lincoln Township Board of the Cereal Malt Beverage Application for the Rock Quarry, LLC.
On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements # 2010-58 thru #2010-64 totaling $1,005.54.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Resource Council meeting on December 21st.

Justin Murdock, Solid Waste Director discussed routine Solid Waste and Recycling matters with the Board.

The Courthouse and County Offices, Transfer Station and Recycling Center will be closed Friday, December 31st for the New Year’s Holiday.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the contract with Pawnee Mental Health for 2011.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a letter to the Governor-Elect regarding payments to be received by Cloud County from Horizon Wind Energy.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Crawford, unanimous vote the Board approved the request from the Convention and Tourism Committee to encumber funds in the amount of $5,578.01, with the funds to be used for office furniture; electrical work; web design, etc.

Jim Johnson, Maintenance Manager discussed the purchase of a storage building to be located at the new Health Dept. building. The Board asked Johnson to do the preliminary planning for the purchase and report back at a later time.

Danny McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board presented recommended appointments to the Cloud County Fair Board for approval. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the re-appointment of Brenda Morgan and Danny McReynolds and the appointment of Kaity Martin and Katie Revell to 3 year terms on the Cloud County Fair Board.

Susie Haver and Tammy Britt, Tourism Directors and Dolores Landry, Tourism Committee presented the recommended appointments to the Tourism Committee. On motion by Commissioner Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of Linda Houser, representing the National Orphan Train Complex; Dolores Landry, representing the POW Camp Concordia; Sharon Dykes, representing the Super 8 to 3-year terms on the Convention and Tourism Committee; and the appointment of Tom Gennette as an ex-officio (non-voting) member representing the Museum.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m.