COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JANUARY 5, 2015
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 5, 2014 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Johnita Crawford, Members Gary Caspers, and Gail Engle, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Bill Czapanskiy, Doug McKinney, North Central Regional Planning Committee; Mark Paul, Cloud County Coop Elevator.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $161,247.85

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2014-315 - 317 totaling $359.02.

Per a request from County Treasurer JoDee LeDuc a list of checks, which have remained outstanding for more than 2 years, was presented to be cancelled. On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approve Resolution # 2015-1 cancelling the outstanding checks totaling $1,498.75.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting with the addition of Bill Czapanskiy as others attending.

On motion by Chairman Crawford, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved giving a 25 cent raise across the board for all fulltime employees of Cloud County, excluding the Commissioners.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2015 Employment Agreement with Gerald (Jerry) Collins as IT Director with an hourly wage of $15.25.

Commissioner Engle reported he participated in a KCCA Conference call on Tuesday January 30th; he was elected President of the Executive Board.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification change of Rodney Michaud from Asphalt Foreman to Road Supervisor effective January 11, 2015, at a rate of $15.54 per hour.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented Resolution #2015-2 for the Transfer of Funds from Road & Bridge to the Road and Bridge Special Machinery and Equipment Fund with the amount to be determined at the time of the annual audit but not to exceed 25%. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the transfer of funds.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2015 Employment Agreement with Andrew J. Asch as Highway Administrator/Weed Director with a base wage of $40,208.06 plus additional $13,300.00 for duties as Weed Director.

Doug McKinney, NCK Regional Planning visited with the board about the Homeland Security Program Implementation.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director discussed wages of part-time employee’s and the increase in recycling they’ve seen over the past couple of months.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2015 Employment Agreement with Mike Hake as Solid Waste/Recycling Director with an hourly wage of $17.25.

The Board reviewed information on the amount of compensating use tax and sales tax received in December 2014 (November sales), in the amount of $62,158.10, compared to the amount received in 2013 of $59,918.92.

On motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2015 Employment Agreement with Troy Shepard as Building Maintenance Manager with an hourly wage of $14.35.

Mark Paul, Cloud County Coop visited with the board about the IRB’s. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board sign Resolution 2015-3 excerpt of minutes of a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Cloud County consenting to the assignment of the subtenant under certain taxable industrial revenue bonds; and authorizing any further action related thereto.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman to sign the Consent to the assignment by AgMark, LLC to Concordia Terminal, LLC.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2015-4 making null and void the prior closing of Green Road.

The Board acknowledge a thank you received from the North Central Kansas Down Syndrome Society related to the distribution of Diversion funds.
Justin Stahlman visited with the Board about the Neighborhood revitalization plan. A request to apply after the start of a project was denied.

The Board adjourned at 12:00 p.m., until Monday, January 12, 2015.
Regular session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 12, 2014 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Barry Porter County Appraiser; and JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer.

Others attending were: Dolores Landry, Jerlynn Johnston, Dave Hughes, Alice Hughes, Jim Anderson, Deb Czapanskiy, Justin Stahlman, Scott Condray, Lea Throckmorton, and Pat Gerhardt.

JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer was sworn in by Judge Guy Steier.

Bill Czapanskiy was sworn in as County Commissioner First District by Judge Guy Steier.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy unanimous vote the Board approved the appointment of Gary Caspers as Chairman of the Board for 2015.

The Commissioners acknowledged thank you’s from the O’Conner Animal Shelter, the DARE Program and the Sisters of St. Joseph as recipients of Cloud County Attorney Diversion Funds.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the Law Enforcement Centers generator and warranty work. A conference call with Rick Morton, GGA, was made to discuss the performance bond and warranty work.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed routine business.

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

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds, reported they were busy with new software and that the new fees began in 2015 and that Cloud County is in compliance.
Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported that personal property renditions were mailed out Friday and they are working on values. He also discussed the new Disaster Relief Plan set by the State.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they were cutting trees and snow removal as needed. He also asked about the Holiday pay policy.

Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manger reported they were working on keeping a constant temperature in the Courthouse and doing snow removal as needed.

Lea Throckmorton, District Court Clerk reported they were working with the Legislature on routine business.

Pat Gerhardt, Extension Agent reported the hours for the Extension offices for the District have changed to 7:30 – 12:30 and 1:30 – 4:30. Mary Florea has retired and Katrina Sorrell has been hired. Their office is also working on a variety of programs.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported they have had an increase in recycling and they are shipping out mixed paper. He reported what it would cost for his Part-time employees to receive the raise given to full time employees by the commissioners last week, and that they are having issues with the recycling trailers in the smaller towns. Items from the trailers should not be removed from the trailers by individuals.

Jerry Collins, IT Director reported he was finishing year end. The Courthouse, Health Department and Jail have limited internet available to the public. He discussed the need for a computer policy and that the Calendar for the Meeting room is updated online.

JoDee Leduc, Treasurer reported she was updating the Privacy Policy in regards to banking and they were working on distribution checks.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator reported that Shirley Johnson was retiring and the public was invited to a Coffee and Cookie reception Wednesday, January 14th from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m in appreciation of her service to Cloud County. They are in the process of filling Shirley’s position and they are waiting on payments to be corrected from Medicare. Flu shots are still available and that it will be lessen the severity of the new flu strain.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk reported at this time the County Bookkeeper position will not be filled, the office personnel are splitting the duties and they will be looking into a variety of ways to save time to make it feasible. The full time employees raise is effective for the pay period that began January 11th and KPERS 1 employees will see their deduction increase on the February 2nd check. W-2’s will be distributed this week. The office is beginning work for the City/School election on April 7th. Deadline to fill for positions is January 27th.
Bill Czapaniskiy reported he will be looking at the trend of the County for the past 3 years and that he will attend the new Commissioner training in Topeka this week.

The department head meeting ended at 11:17 and the Board resumed their regular meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting Friday January 9th. He may attend the new Commissioner training in Topeka.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported that 84,000 lbs. of mixed paper will be shipped out this week and that 44,124 lbs. of cardboard shipped out last week.

Diana Gering, Health Administrator director discussed routine business.

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

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Abatements 2015-1 to 2015-14 totaling $1,241.72.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-5 designating the Concordia Blade Empire as the official county newspaper for 2015.

Justin Stahlman and Scott Condray visited with the Board about the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-6 designating the county depositories as follows: Central National Bank as the depository for the Sheriff; Citizens National Bank as the depository for the County Attorney and the Cloud County Public Building Commission; and United Bank and Trust as the depository for the Register of Deeds and Sheriff; and all banks were designated as depositories for the County Treasurer.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution # 2015-7 concerning a waiver of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

The Commissioners may attend Concordia Entities Roundtable at KNCK on January 16th.

The Board adjourned at 1:00 p.m., until Monday, January 19, 2015.
COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
JANUARY 19, 2015
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 19, 2014 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Barry Porter County Appraiser; JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer; Annette Gallagher, Shop Clerk; Jeff Womack, Office Clerk; Stacie LaBarge, Deputy Election Clerk; Nick Patterson, Undersheriff; and Wanda Backstrom, JJA/Comm Correc. Director.

Others attending were: Jason Martin & Randy Smith, Jamestown City Council; Ashley McMillian-Hutchinson, Cloud Corp; Dave Tageman, File Safe; and Barb Ferguson, CIC.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $134,646.58, employee benefits and deductions totaling $171,738.84 and accounts payable totaling $10,335.21.

Wanda Backstrom, JJA/Community Corrections Director presented the board with appointments for the 12th Judicial District Community Corrections/Juvenile Services Advisory Board. On a Motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy unanimous vote the Board approved Gail Engle, Cloud County Commissioner and Tim Mueller, Washington County Commissioner Representative for the term of January 19, 2015 – June 30, 2017.

JoDee LeDuc presented the Board with a draft of the Internal Policies and Procedures for ACH Payment / Collection Processing and Commissioner Caspers signed a new authorization card for Central National Bank.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the New Commissioners Orientation in Topeka on January 15th. Commissioner Czapanskiy also attended the New Commissioners Orientation in Topeka January 15th and 16th. Commissioner Caspers was included in a Conference call with KCAMP on January 13th with Cloud County attorney Robert Walsh, Sheriff Brian Marks, Jail Administrator Amber Lindberg and Rick Morton concerning the generator, and reported insurance will cover the damages. He also attended Shirley Johnson’s retirement reception January 14th and discussed Neighborhood Revitalization on Coffee Time January 16th.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator, Jason Martin & Randy Smith with the Jamestown City Council discussed the tracks in Jamestown and asked the Board for support in helping to get them fixed. A call was made to Tracy Atchinson, Kyle Railroad. Asch, Martin, and Smith will meet with Atchinson on Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. to review track problems.
Asch presented a classification change for Vincent Armstrong. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote to approve a classification change from Heavy Equipment Operator to Asphalt Foreman at an introductory rate of $13.93 effective January 25th.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator visited with the Board about the generator. KCAMP will pay to replace the unit. The Law Enforcement center currently has 20 out of county inmates and 46 in county.

Ashley McMillian-Hutchinson, Cloud Corp Director gave the Board an update on the Get in the Cloud Grants that were previously awarded. Urban Couture Salon & Spa and Ayres Insurance Agency have utilized all of their grant and are expected to open soon. Britt’s Fountain & Gifts, Valley Rental Center Craft Retreat, Glasco Locker Plant Expansion, Jitter’s Expansion and WHP Properties Renovation have all been reminded of the deadline and procedures for payment.

Dave Tageman, File Safe presented proposals for Courthouse and Health Department Security. No action was taken.

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

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the funding agreement for calendar year 2015 with the Cloud County Chemical Dependency Committee.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Abatements 2015-17 to 2015-28 totaling $2,869.26.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the contract for 2015 with Pawnee Mental Health Services.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Disaster Relief Applications for Anna Retta Waite and Louisa Dowling.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a $.25 raise for part-time employees effective January 11th.

The Board recessed at 12:23 p.m. and resumed open session at 1:30 p.m. for a conference call presentation of Time Clock Plus with Barb Ferguson, CIC and Mike Bawman, Time Clock Plus.

The Board Adjourned at 3:27 p.m. until Monday January 26th.
Regular session of the January meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 26, 2014 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; and JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer.

Others attending were: Janet Eubanks & Burl Maley, Chemical Dependency Committee; and Joe Gerard

The Board approved accounts payable totaling $452,974.14.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes with changes to read as: ‘The Law Enforcement Center currently has 20 out of county inmates and 26 county inmates.’ And ‘on a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a $.25 raise for part-time employees effective January 11th.’

Robert Walsh, County Attorney reported that a generator for the Law Enforcement Center been purchased. He will make arrangements for the Board to meet with Goldberg Group Architects, PC to discuss the Law Enforcement Project.

Lea Throckmorton discussed the taste of the 2nd Floor water fountain; she was going to talk to Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a classification change for Anthony Smith. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a classification change from Utility Worker to Equipment Operator at a rate of $13.30 for an introductory period of 6 months beginning January 25th.

Asch wanted to express his appreciation to the area ag producers for attending the meeting with Kyle Railroad in Jamestown on January 21st. He reported the railroad crossings will be fixed before harvest. Asch talked to officials at Ottawa & Republic Counties about 4 10 hour work days and reported they felt like it did save money. He will report back to the commissioner about how his department feels about it.

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator discussed various expense items at the Law Enforcement Center. Currently 49 total inmates were being housed with 19 of them out of County.
Burl Maley & Janet Eubanks, Chemical Dependency Committee thanked the board for their continued support and discussed how their committee helps Cloud County residents.

Janet Heiger, Blue Cross Blue Shield presented the Board with a check for $252,760.34 for a premium refund. The refund is reflection on employee’s using the Medical/Dental plan efficiently.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported in 2014 7,472.09 tons was hauled to Hamm’s in 2014 compared to 6,366.6 in 2013 and 6,400.06 in 2012 from the transfer station. The recycling center shipped 409.67 tons of recyclables in 2014 compared to 366.42 in 2013 and 328.15 in 2012. The Solid Waste Committee will meet January 29th in the Courthouse Meeting room.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator presented the board with a replacement for Shirley Johnson who retired. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote to approve the hire of Elaine Paul as MCH Coordinator, PRN Home Health Adult/Child Health at a rate of $17.28 effective February 9th.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2015 Employment Agreement with Diana Gering as Health Administrator with a base wage of $34,255.00 plus an additional $10,000 for administrative duties.

Jerry Collins, IT Director was in to discuss the Counties Computer and Banking Policies. The Board recommended he create a Plan to update the policies.

JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer presented the Board with documentation on the funds received from the State for Motor Vehicle. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approve wage change for Stacie Jackson from $8.25 to $10.00 as a Clerk in the Treasurer’s office effective January 25th.

Joe Gerard a resident on Noble Road discussed the trash problem created by unsecured loads to the Transfer Station. KSA

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote to void check 134779 dated December 31, 2014 to The Railroad Yard in the amount of $8,632.00 as it was not received by the vendor.


The Board Adjourned at 12:07 p.m. until Monday February 2nd.
Adjourned session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 8:15 a.m. on February 2, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and Deputy County Clerk Cathy Davis present.

County staff attending were: Wanda Backstorm, JJA/Community Corrections Director; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator, and Jerry Collins, IT Director.

Others attending were: Chief Judge Kim Cudney; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director; Susie Haver; Audrey Kalivoda; Susan Sutton; and Marlene Stamm, NCK Environmental.

The Board approved department payrolls totaling $134,635.54.

The Board reviewed Department Expense Vouchers.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes of the January 26, 2015 meeting as presented.

Commissioner Engle attended the North Central Regional Planning Committee meeting on January 29th, in Beloit.

All three Commissioner’s attended the Solid Waste Committee Meeting on January 29th, in Concordia.

Commissioner Caspers attended the North Central Homeland Security Council Meeting on January 27th, in Beloit.

Wanda Backstorm, JJA/Community Corrections Director, and Chief Judge Kim Cudney met with the Commissioners to discuss a Comprehensive Plan for 2015 for JJA/Community Corrections. Also discussed was the need for additional office space.

As per a previous discussion with Cloud Ceramics, Barry Porter, County Appraiser followed up with the Commissioners in regards to ending the Economic Development Tax Exemption due to end in 2016. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved that Cloud Ceramics not continue with the Economic Development Tax Exemption.

On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-9 in regards to Scott D. Wright, Attorney-At-Law, to be Acting Cloud County Attorney, due to a conflict in a case.
On motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements totaling $23.34.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director, discussed the Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Kansas Multi-Jurisdictional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan was approved until the year 2020. Cloud County is in Region F.

Susie Haver and Audrey Kalivoda from Cloud County Tourism, and Susan Sutton visited with the Board about routine Tourism matters. Also discussed was the appointment of Cloud County Tourism Board members. Three members terms expired on December 31, 2014; Matt Farmer, Tejal Patel and Miranda Seibolt. The Committee nominated three members with a term ending December 31, 2017; Matt Farmer, Miranda Seibolt and Jane Wahlmeier. On motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czpanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the nominations.

Marlene Stamm, NCK Environmental discussed various meetings she attended and permits she is working on. Also discussed were two variance matters. On motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved granting the variances for Stahlman Living Trust and Lola Frank.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director discussed various routine matters.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed various routine road matters. Also discussed were 2 new hires. On motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Charles Valcoure and Zakary Romo at $11.57 an hour to fill open positions on Bridge Crew, effective February 16, 2015.

Jerry Collins, IT Director discussed various IT matters and an Information Technologies Plan for the County.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m. until Monday February 9th.
COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 9, 2015
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 9, 2014 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer.

Others attending were: Kim Clarson, River Valley Extension; Julie Snavely & Crystal Paredes, CASA; 12 Concordia High School Gov’t class students.

The Board approved accounts payable totaling $43,622.96.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff reported the replacement generator would be delivered the last of March – beginning of April. The total inmates being housed was 46 with 14 of them out of county.

The Board acknowledge a thank you from DVACK for the distribution of County Attorney Diversion Funds.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented the approval by the Secretary of Agriculture for meeting all requirements for Cloud County Weed Director and a letter from EBERT Construction regarding work that will be done on Plum Road. He discussed Federal Fund Exchange money and brought up a concern from a citizen.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Abatements 2015-52 to 2015-55 totaling $116.36.

The Board recognized January 2015 sales tax in the amount of $65,813.73 compared to January 2014 in the amount of $63,227.61.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director discussed routine matters.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, 2nd by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a 15 minute executive meeting to discuss Attorney Client privilege with Robert Walsh beginning at 9:50 and ending at 10:05, also included was Wyatt Hoch by conference.
After a brief break a department head meeting was conducted to discuss the Information Technologies Basic Plan as well as the refund issued to the County for BCBS premiums.

On a Motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approve Resolution #2015-11 cancelling wire #535 for $400 to the Kansas Department of Revenue due to them needing a check issued.

On a Motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Press release recognizing March as Kansas Agriculture Month.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Government Day in Topeka February 4th.

The Board Adjourned at 11:40 p.m. until Tuesday February, 17th.
COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
FEBRUARY 17, 2015
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 8:35 a.m. on February 17, 2014 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; and Andy Asch, Highway Administrator.

Others attending were: Danette Toone & Kim Reynolds, Cloud County Community College.

Danette Toone & Kim Reynolds, Cloud County Community College (CCCC) discussed the past 50 years of Service of CCCC. On a motion by Chairman Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing Resolution #2015-12 expressing their appreciation to Cloud County Community College on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Abatements 2015-56 to 2015-60 totaling $1,983.00.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes with a correction from Kim Clarson to Kim Larson.

Barry Porter County Appraiser presented the Board with an insert to be included with the Change of Value notices. The notice explains the application process for the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the Cloud County Resource Council meeting on Wednesday February 11th and the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on Friday, February 13th. Chairman Caspers reported he attended the NCK Regional Homeland Security Council meeting on Wednesday, February 11th and the Concordia Fire Department would be receiving an infrared camera with Homeland Security funds.

Andy Asch, Highway administrator discussed routine business. The Board recognized the resignation of Jeff Womack effective March 6.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a 10 minute session with Asch to discuss non-elected personnel.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote that the board sign the Annual Noxious Weed Management Plan for 2016.
On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote that the Board sign the Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report for 2014.

The Board approved payroll totaling $138,068.24, employee benefits and deductions totaling $173,839.27 and accounts payable totaling $11,159.13.

The Board recognized a Thank you from the Salvation Army for the donation from the Cloud County Attorney Diversion funds.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-13 cancelling check #135033 to Orthopedic Clinic of Salina issued on February 2nd due to being a duplicated check.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-14 cancelling check #62889 to Richard Anderson issued on February 2nd due to the check not being received by the vendor.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-15 revising original Resolution #2015-8 appointing Gail Engle, Tim Mueller and Brandi Hake as members of the 12th Judicial District Juvenile/Community Corrections Advisory Board.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported there are 49 total inmates with 20 of them out of County currently being housed. Warranty work, building repairs, and the back-up generator were discussed.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved a 10 minute executive session to discuss attorney/client privilege with Marks, Lindberg and Wyatt Hoch by conference call.

The Commissioners may attend an Intergovernmental Meeting at the Clyde City Hall on February 25th at 6:30.

The Board Adjourned at 12:12 p.m. until Monday February 23rd.
Regular session of the February meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 23, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator;

Others attending were: Jon Puckett, Tammy Marrs, and Darla Bebber representing the Miltonvale Fire District; Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp; Charles Johnson, Concordia Optimist Club; Dave Tangemen, File Safe; and 11 Concordia High School Government Students.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended Resource Roundtable on Wednesday the 18th. Caspers reported he attended the KWORCC Board of Trustees Meeting Thursday the 19th and Entities Roundtable at Coffee Time on February 20th. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Juvenile Detention Committee meeting Wednesday the 18th.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board agreed to deed the old Miltonvale Rural Fire District #3 building to the Fire District for the purpose of selling it to Chris McNeil.

Sheriff Brian Marks & Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported there are currently 48 inmates, 17 of them out of County.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved an executive session for 30 minutes for Attorney/Client privilege with Marks, Lindberg & Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin LLP by conference call.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board extend the prior executive session for an additional 5 minutes.

Diana Gering discussed the lease with Casselrock for the Health Department building and furnishings. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel with Gering and Thoman.

Dave Tangeman, File Safe and Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed Courthouse Security.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported the cost to the Transfer Station for tire disposal will be increasing. Delivery of the new trailer is on schedule for the middle of March. He’d like to thank residents for tarping their loads.
Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager discussed the Courthouse and Health Department’s weekend building check. To save tax dollars Cloud County Deputy’s will be asked to do this while on duty.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the board approved an executive session to discuss nonelected personnel with Shepard.

Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp presented the Board with new application guidelines for the Get in the Cloud Grant. She reported that $150,000 was awarded to seven projects in Glasco, Miltonvale and Concordia. The awardees have spent $65,560.91 to date. $52,039.18 of the grant funds has been with vendors and laborers in Cloud County. Total costs for all seven projects resulted in a capital improvements of $1,123,369.69.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported the One Call Dinner will be held March 17th and he’d be attending the Noxious Weed Conference in Manhattan March 3rd, 4th, & 5th and the Annual NCK District Highway Officials Meeting in Salina on April 1st.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved the hire of Lisa Widen as Office Clerk, beginning March 2nd at a 3 month introductory rate of $12.70 per hour to fill an open position.

Alisha Bond with Group Benefit Specialist gave a compliance update and presented information to the Board about a new product that have available called ThinkHR.

Charles Johnson reported the Optimist would be holding their annual Optimist sale March 14th and asked if the pot holes in the drive to the Commercial Building at the Fairgrounds could be fixed.

The Board discussed the North American Conservation Grant over the phone with Matt Farmer. While the Board felt like the work the Kansas Department of Wildlife & Parks does is important they had not budgeted to financially support the Wetland Habitat Preservation and Restoration on Jamestown Wildlife Area in 2015.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Abatements #2015-61 to #2015-72 totaling $2,594.88.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board sign a Quit Claim Deed transferring the old Miltonvale Rural Fire District #3 building to the Fire District.

The Board approved accounts payable totaling $251,285.05.

The Board Adjourned at 12:40 p.m. until Monday March 2nd.
Regular session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 2, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator.

Others attending were: Dave Tangeman, File Safe; 19 Concordia High School Government Class Students.

Commissioners Czapanskiy and Commissioner Engle reported they attended the Intergovernmental Meeting in Clyde on Wednesday February 25th. Commissioner Engle also attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting in Beloit on Thursday February 26th and traveled to Topeka on Friday February 27th for a meeting with Juvenile Detention and KDHE. Commissioner Caspers attended the Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting on Wednesday February 25th and met with KDOC at the Law Enforcement Center on Friday February 27th.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported he was shipping out 49,763 pounds of bailed cardboard, a load of clothes is also ready to be shipped and the Transfer Station will be getting a new billing system.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes with an addition to read, the Board approved a 5 minute executive session to Diana Gering’s appointment.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Abatements #2015-73 to #2015-74 totaling $395.54.

The Board acknowledge sales tax for January 2015 in the amount of $64,819.49 compared to $65,975.67 for 2014.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board sign the Notice of Road Vacation for the following described road: Beginning ¼ mile South of Northwest Corner of 26-7-5 then a ¼ mile West (also known as Green Road) with a hearing to be March 16th at 9:30.

The Board approved Payroll in the amount of $133,850.75, payroll benefits and withholding payments in the amount of $60,313.93 and expenses in the amount of $100,889.12.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported there are a total of 10 bridges on KDOT’s critical list, the commissioners will do a road tour on March 23rd at 1:30 p.m with Asch.
On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the board sign the Notice of Road Vacation for the following described road: Beginning at the Southeast Corner of Section 3-7-3 then a ½ mile North (also known as 160th Road) with a hearing to be March 16th at 9:30.

Sue Sutton discussed dumping of animal carcasses at the fairground. The Board will let law enforcement and Wildlife and Parks know.

Dave Tangeman talked to the board about Courthouse and Health Department security. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the security project for the Courthouse, Health Department and the Southeast door at the Courthouse using existing equipment from the old jail. Not to exceed $12,000 and to be paid by the County Attorney’s Diversion funds. The project should be completed within five (5) weeks.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Amber Lindberg reported that KDOC toured the Law Enforcement Center Friday and were very pleased with the facility. They are rewriting the contract with a change to the per diem rate for each inmate to $40 for a period commencing on April 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018. 56 total inmates are being housed, with 22 of them out of county. The Board called Rick Morton to set up a meeting to tour the Law Enforcement Center.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the transfer of Douglas Colby from Corrections Officer to Deputy Sheriff beginning March 16th at a rate of $14.56 to fill an open position.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the new hire of Matthew Nevins as Corrections officer beginning March 16th at a rate of $13.37 per hour to fill an open position.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the new hire of Sarah Hanline as Corrections officer beginning March 16th at a rate of $13.37 per hour to fill an open position.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board rescinded the motion from February 23rd to sign a Quit Claim Deed transferring the old Miltonvale Rural Fire District #3 building to the Fire District; as it is unknown who at the Fire District has authority to deed the building to a new owner.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board issue a Quit Claim Deed from Cloud County to Chris McNeil for the old Miltonvale Rural Fire District #3 building to be used for a welding shop.

The Board Adjourned at 1:07 p.m. until Monday March 9th.
Regular session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 9, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending were: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Diana Gering, Health Administrator; JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer; Judy Lambert, County Register of Deed; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager; Brian Marks, Sheriff; and Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator.

Others attending were: Dallas Nading, KNCK; Larry Uri, City Manager; Justin Steinbrock, Site Manager Meridian Way; Pat Gerhardt, River Valley Extension; Lea Throckmorton, District Court Clerk; Cliff Sullivan and Rick Morton, Goldberg Group Architects; Cary Stupka, Stupka Construction; Todd Stupka, TKA Construction; and 3 Concordia High School Government Class Students.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Abatements #2015-75 to #2015-77 totaling $1,739.98.

The Board approved accounts payable totaling $100,900.24.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed routine business.

Diana Gering, Health Administrator reported there will be an Advisory Meeting Wednesday at 12:00 p.m. at the Health Department. Chairman Caspers and Commissioner Engle will be attending.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Chairman to sign the Memorandum of agreement between Cloud County Health Department and Republic County Health Department reimbursing Republic County $537.50 quarterly from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote to sign the contract with Steve Palmquist as Cloud County pharmacist January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015.

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

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported they are continuing to scan old documents.
JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer reported new printers have been installed, they are preparing a tax distribution and will be mailing out tax statements.

Pat Gerhardt, Extension Office reported they were busy with the Farm Bill, a parenting class started last week and Walk Kansas begins Sunday. A Kansas Optimizing Health Program (KOHP) class will begin next week. KOHP is a highly interactive program where people of various chronic conditions come together to learn and practice new skills to manage chronic conditions. For additional information you can contact the Extension office at 243-8185 or Neighbor to Neighbor at 262-4215.

Lea Throckmorton, District Court Clerk reported they are covering a vacant position in Lincoln County and no applications for Court Reporter have been received. Budget Hearings will begin Wednesday.

Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager reported routine business.

Jerry Collins, IT Director reported he’s been setting up printers and new computers. Will be helping the Law Enforcement Center and Transfer Station with new software and will be setting up computers and printers at the Resource Center using older Courthouse equipment.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser reported change of value notices have been sent out.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they are doing tree work and will start road projects soon.

Diana Gering, Health Department administrator reported they are busy with Home Health and preparing for the Health Fair.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk reported they were preparing for the April 7th City School Election. Voter registration deadline is March 17th and advanced voting will begin March 18th. KWORCC will be scheduling a time for a defensive driving class.

Larry Uri, City of Concordia Manager presented the board with documentation on the Alco Tract – Access Easements. No action was taken. The Board was invited to be the City’s guest at Cloud Corp’s Annual Banquet on April 7th.

Justin Steinbrock, Site Manager at Meridan Way presented the Board with the 2015 Contribution and discussed how the funds were making an impact in Cloud County.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported he was fixing the items from KWORCC’s compliance list, discussed the out of county/in county charges and addressed the continued problems with loads not being secured.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented the Board with a Request and Petition from RWD #1. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the request for a utility permit to place a rural waterline approximately 1 ½ miles east of 145th on Jade Rd.

The Board recessed at 11:55.
The Board adjourned regular session at the Cloud County Law Enforcement Center at 1:30 p.m. with Brian Marks, Sheriff; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Cliff Sullivan and Rick Morton, Goldberg Group Architects; Cary Stupka, Stupka Construction; Todd Stupka, TKA Construction; Robert Walsh, County Attorney & County Clerk Shella Thoman. They discussed the ongoing issues with the Law Enforcement center and what repairs needed to be made.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a 20 minute executive session for client/attorney privilege with Walsh and Wyatt Hoch by conference call.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a 5 minute executive session for client/attorney privilege with Walsh and Wyatt Hoch by conference call.

The Board Adjourned at 4:25 p.m. until Monday, March 16th.
Regular session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on March 16, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator

Others attending were: Sue Cadamore; Jimmy Henning; Ron & Julie Johnson; and Larry Uri.

Sue Cadamore representing the home owners of East Hills Estates discussed the Communication tower that is to be constructed at 1421 Hill Street, Concordia. Due to no zoning in the County the Commissioners don’t have control of where constructions happens.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Abatements #2015-78, #2015-79, #2015-81, #2015-82 totaling $1,043.16.

The Board approved accounts payable totaling $52,601.65, payroll totaling $135,635.85 and payroll benefits totaling $130,708.99.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported routine business.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the commissioner deny the order of vacation for the road beginning ¼ mile South of Northwest Corner of 26-7-5 then ½ mile West (also known as Green Road) due to hardship accessing adjoining property.

Commissioners tabled the road vacation request beginning at the Southeast Corner of Section 3-7-3 then a ½ mile North (also knowing as 160th Road) to acquire additional information.

Diana Gering reported she spoke to Casslerock, Inc. about a renewal of the lease contract for the Health Department Building and reported a $40 per month increase should be expected. The Board asked Gering to make contact this week about the possibility of financing a purchase of the Building.

Larry Uri, City Attorney presented the Board with documentation on the Alco Tract – Access Easements.
On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved to sign the Access Easement for the Alco tract as described in Exhibit C.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved to sign the Access Easement for the Alco Tract as described in Exhibit A (Lagasse property).

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved the Access Easement for the Alco tract as described in Exhibit B (Hake property).

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator updated the board on Law Enforcement Center matters.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the board enter into a 15 minute executive session for attorney/client privilege with Lindberg and Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin, LLP.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the board enter into a 5 minute executive session for attorney/client privilege with Lindberg and Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin, LLP.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved the hire of Nichole Henderson as a full-time Office Clerk effective April 6, 2015 at a rate of $11.55 per hour, to fill an open position in the Clerk’s office.

The Board Adjourned at 12:00 p.m. until Monday March 23rd.
COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MARCH 23, 2015
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 8:30 a.m. on March 23, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator.

Others attending were: Charlie Zitnik, D.A. Davidson & Co.; Todd Gennette, Robert & Sue Cadamore, Robin & Annette Hood, Bo & Susan Hubert, Loren & Jolene Cote, Scott Baumann; David Scott, Administrator Park Villa; Jim George, Board Member of Park Villa; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Todd Stupka, TKA Construction.

The Board approved accounts payable totaling $3,708.89.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Charlie Zitnik, D.A. Davidson & Co; by conference call Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin, LLP; Joe Norton & Garth Herrmann, Gilmore and Bell discussed the Law Enforcement Center bonds. A realistic cash flow projection and the final feasibility report were requested before any decisions could be made.

Todd Gennette, Robert & Sue Cadamore, Robin & Annette Hood, Bo & Susan Hubert, Loren & Jolene Cote, Scott Baumann presented the Board with a petition opposing the new non lit 170’ tall self-supported lattice tower to be constructed near East 15th and Hill Street by Horvath Towers III. They presented the board with 10 concerns they had with the tower being built and asked the Board for some support stating that the Tower could potentially drop home values 20% in the tower area and concerns with the Health & Well-being of those that live in the vicinity. Walsh will look into the matter. The area is out of city limits and the county does not require zoning. The developer Horvath III has not requested a Road vacation to proceed with project.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the board file a Request for Environmental Review with the Federal Communications Commission.

David Scott, Administrator of Park Villa and Jim George, Park Villa Board presented the Board with a request of Wind Farm Funds for refurbishment of the two (2) central bathing areas at Park Villa. The request will be considered.

Todd Stupka, TKA Construction reported to the Board the areas of the Law Enforcement Center that need repairs, although not all issue may be seen at this time. Stupka estimates that the known repairs would cost $728,000 give or take 10% and would take four to five months with a six to eight man crew to complete.
On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the board enter into a 20 minute executive session for attorney/client privilege with Walsh & Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin, LLP.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the board extend the executive session for an additional 5 minutes for attorney/client privilege with Walsh & Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin, LLP.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Abatement #2015-83 in the amount of $34.14.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Cloud Corp Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday March 17th. Commissioner Engle attended the River Valley Extension Meeting/Dinner in Clay Center on Monday, March 9th, the Juvenile Justice Authority meeting in Washington on Wednesday, March 18th and an East Hills Community Meeting in Concordia on Sunday, March 15th.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported a shipment of clothing was rejected with the reasoning that it was not clean. He was unaware of any time this happened previously and will look into ways this could be avoided in the future. Ongoing discussion of unsecure loads were discussed and recourse of unsecured loads. Hake asked KDHE to do an inspection on the Transfer Station and will work on correcting their findings. Hake completed all the corrections on the KWORCC Compliance Checklist.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman to sign the approval letters for T-Mobile’s proposed antenna additions on Deer and Key Roads.

The Board recessed at 12:08 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator received pipe quotes, he wanted to get additional information before making a decision. A quote to redo the Courthouse parking lot was $22,072.38. The Board toured county roads with Asch.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the board sign the order of road vacation for the road beginning at the Southeast Corner of Section 3-7-3 then a ½ mile North (also known as 160th Road).

The Board Adjourned at 4:08 p.m. until Monday, March 30th.
COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS  
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS  
MARCH 30, 2015  
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the March meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 8:30 a.m. on March 30, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Barry Porter, Appraiser; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer.

Others attending were: Toby Nosier, KNCK; Todd Gennette, Robert & Sue Cadamore, Robin & Annette Hood, Bo Hubert; Ellen Anderson & Wanda Phillips, Orphan Train; Larry LeDuc; Tom Richard; Carol Miller, Crystal Paredes, Julie Snively, Jennifer Kindel & Cindy Kocher, CASA; 16 Concordia High School Government Students; Larry Goldberg & Rick Morton, Goldberg Group Architects, PC.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the board enter into a 20 minute executive session for attorney/client privilege with Robert Walsh, County Attorney & Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin, LLP.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board extend the executive session for an additional 10 minutes for attorney/client privilege with Walsh & Hoch.

Todd Gennette, Robert & Sue Cadamore, Robin & Annette Hood, and Bo Hubert continued last week’s discussion of the new non lit 170’ tall self-supported lattice tower to be constructed near East 15th and Hill Street by Horvath Towers III. A letter from Walsh has been sent to Horvath Towers III, he additionally will file a Request for Environmental Review with the Federal Communications Commission.

Diana Gering Health Administrator presented the Board with Options on a purchase agreement for the Health Department Building. No action was taken.

Ellen Anderson & Wanda Phillips representing the Orphan Train Complex presented a request for Wind Farm Funds. The request will be taken into consideration April 20th.

JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer & Barry Porter, County Appraiser discussed a programming error with the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan refunds. LeDuc has identified the participants affected and will issue refund checks and work with the Programmer to correct the error for future refunds.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting in Beloit on Thursday March 26th. Commissioner Caspers attended the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) on Wednesday March 25th and participated in the KWORCC Board of Trustees tele-conference on Thursday March 26th. Commissioner
Czapanskiy reported he attended a meeting at the Law Enforcement Center on Wednesday April 25th with Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin, LLP; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Shella Thoman, County Clerk; Todd Stupka, TKA Construction; and Cary Stupka, Stupka Construction.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements #2015-85, #2015-86, and #2015-89 totaling $616.72. The Board approved accounts payable totaling $269,179.39, payroll totaling $137,871.20 and payroll benefits totaling $27,023.18.

Larry LeDuc visited with the Board about the Public Building Commission and its responsibilities.

Joe Girard suggested the Board consider creating an advisory board comprised of local contractors to advise the board; he’s spoken to other area contractors that would be interested in donating their knowledge. Tom Richard formally of Concordia also offered his 30+ years of state and federal construction contract experience.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board direct Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin, LLP to send a letter to the assurity company to put them on notice of default.

The Board recessed at 12:30 p.m. until 1:15 p.m.

Carol Miller, Crystal Paredes, Julie Snavely, Jennifer Kindel & Cindy Kocher with CASA presented a Proclamation proclaiming April 2015 as Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month and educated the Board on what CASA does and how it benefits children all across the Nation.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board sign the Proclamation proclaiming April 2015 Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month.

Larry Goldberg & Rick Morton with GGA discussed the issues with the Law Enforcement Center and presented them with a timeline of the metal building. They believe that repairs should cost $200,000 - $240,000 and recommended getting a 2nd and 3rd proposal. They have been a part of 200 plus jails and have never encountered anything like this.

The Board will attended the NCK County Highway Officials Association meeting in Salina with Highway Administrator Andy Asch on Wednesday April 1st and participate in Coffee Time at KNCK Studio’s on April 3rd.

The Board Adjourned at 3:55 p.m.
Regular session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 6, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Dianna Gering, Health Administrator; Jerry Collins, IT Director.

Others attending were: Toby Nosker, KNCK; 3 Concordia High School Government Students.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he met with Tom Richard and Sharp Construction at the Law Enforcement Center on Friday April 3\textsuperscript{rd}. All Commissioners attended the NCK County Highway Officials Association Wednesday, April 1\textsuperscript{st} and participated in Coffee Time at the KNCK Studios on Friday, April 3\textsuperscript{rd}.

The Board approved accounts payable totaling $10,960.95.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Abatements #2015-90 and #2015-91 totaling $357.48.

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported they were housing 33 out of county inmates and the new generator was to be installed today.

Jerry Collins, IT Director discussed the contract with Computer Information Concepts and talked about a new lease option he’s looking into with NexTech.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the board approved the Chairman to sign a non-binding contract with DA Davidson for the purpose of bond restructuring.

Dianna Gering, Health Administrator reported they were finalizing plans for the Health Fair and presented 2 billing statements to be wrote off.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved writing off two (2) uncollectable statements at the Health Department totaling $786.20.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the board approved appointing Tom Richard as an Owners Representative for the Law Enforcement Center.
On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved Resolution 2015-16 changing Wire #574 to Nichole Taylor-Morris on April 6th to an ACH.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved Resolution 2015-17 changing Wire #575 to Wanda Backstrom on April 6th to an ACH.

Commissioners may attend the Annual Cloud Corp meeting on Tuesday April 7th.

The Board Adjourned at 11:35 p.m. until Monday, April 13th.
Regular session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 8:00 a.m. on April 13, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Robert Walsh, County Attorney, Brian Marks, Sheriff; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Wanda Backstrom, Juvenile Justice Director.

Others attending were: Jason Johnson, Campbell & Johnson Engineers, P.A.; Tom Richard; 7 Concordia High School Government Students.

The Board canvassed the April 7th General election.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he met with Tom Richard and Campbell & Johnson at the Law Enforcement Center on Tuesday April 7th, attended the Cloud County Resource Council meeting Wednesday, April 8th and the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting Friday, April 10th. Commissioner Caspers and Commissioner Engle attended the Cloud Corp Annual Meeting Tuesday, April 7th. Commissioner Engle joined the KCCA Board meeting by tele-conference Wednesday, April 8th.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Abatements #2015-92 - #2015-94 totaling $2,561.68.

The Board approved accounts payable totaling $24,499.98, payroll totaling $141,550.60 and payroll benefits totaling $23,592.73.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney requested an increase for his hourly employees. No action was taken.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board allow the Chairman to sign the Annual Peopleware agreement with Computer Information Concepts at a cost of $42,655.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported chemical prices have decreased and tire bids will be mailed out this week with a deadline date of May 1st. Caspers reported a resident has concerns with the stop sign at 5 corners. Asch said they would look into it. The Board discussed options for the Courthouse parking lot repairs, no action was taken.

Wanda Backstrom, Juvenile Justice Director talked to the Board about an appointment later in the month.
Mike Hake, Solid Waste director reported the new rural water meter has been installed, Jerry Collins, IT Director was working on getting a new computer installed at the Transfer Station, Salina Scale checked the scales at the Transfer Station and Recycling Center and they were all in compliance, the Transfer station’s new trailers are to arrive this week, he attended the Kansas Organization of Recyclers and would be doing some repairs at the Transfer Station.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported they were housing 36 out of county inmates, Monday morning with a total of 57 inmates. The generator was being hooked up and they were talking with Sedgwick County about housing inmates.

Jason Johnson, Campbell & Johnson Engineers, P.A. discussed the drainage issues at the Law Enforcement Center and the Survey estimate. Tom Richard discussed the quote presented from Sharp Construction, LLC for the temporary roof repair at the Law Enforcement Center.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board accept the hiring of Sharp Construction, LLC for temporary repairs on the Law Enforcement Center in the amount of $16,020.00 and Campbell & Johnson Engineers, P.A. to survey the property at an estimated cost of $2,500 to $3,000; pending approval from Attorney Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin LLP and to be paid for using contingency funds.

The Board Adjourned at 12:10 p.m. until Monday, April 20th.
COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS  
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS  
APRIL 20, 2015  
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 20, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director.

Others attending were: Kim Larson, River Valley Extension District; Nancy Zenger-Beneda and Erin Thornburgh, CCCC; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Marge Palecek; Tom Richard; 3 Concordia High School Government Students.

Nancy Zenger-Beneda and Erin Thornburgh, Cloud County Community College gave a presentation to the Board on how they’d use Wind Farm funds for the Community Agricultural Educational Facility.

The Board approved accounts payable totaling $9,728.78.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney reported temporary repairs on the Law Enforcement Center may begin as early as today. Commissioner Czapanskiy stated over the past few weeks he had contacted or attempted to contact Senator Bowers, Representative Concannon and the Attorney General’s office. The Attorney General did not think they could assist, but that the Insurance Commission would be a good source and would be in contact with Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin LLP. County policy on road vacations and the closing of 160th Rd between Lark and Key was discussed.

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported they were housing 41 out of county inmates, Monday morning for a total of 67 inmates; the grinder was being installed and discussed water problems associated with the weekends rainfall.

Marge Palecek asked the Board for assistance with a building in Clyde she owned. She had the building inspected by Engineers and something will need to be done to preserve it. While the Board didn’t think there was anything they could do to help because it is in the City of Clyde, Commissioner Czapanskiy said he’d visit with Clyde City Officials.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended Coffee time on Friday, April 17th at KNCK Studios. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Juvenile Detention Committee meeting on Wednesday April 15th.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.
Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator presented the Board with interest rates from United Bank & Trust to purchase the health department building. No action was taken. Procedures for inmate medical/medication checks was discussed. Diana will talk to Sheriff Marks.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste director reported the Transfer stations new trailers have arrived, discussed the agreement with Hire Right for Drug Testing, and set May 4th for Delinquent Solid Waste Hearings.

Tom Richard talked to the Board about a Fence problem he was having with a neighbor and asked what is a Legal fence for Cloud County and who makes the decisions on where the fence is. Commissioners took copies of the Kansas Fence Law and Commissioner Engle will try to make contact with the adjacent land owner.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board make the following distributions from the Special Economic Development Fund (Wind Farms Funds): In the Cloud Grants for economic development, $150,000; MECF for assistance for 4 RV pads near the Ball Park - $15,000; National Orphan Train Complex, Inc. for assistance with building a structure to protect an exhibit - $15,000; Cloud County Community College for assistance with the Community Agricultural Educational Facility - $30,000; Clyde Community Development Resource Committee for assistance to purchase 2 customized portable restrooms - $30,000; Clyde Development, Inc. to assist with the refurbishment of 2 central bathing areas of Park Villa - $10,000; and $50,000 to be retained for future projects.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Chairman sign the approval letter for T-Mobile’s proposed antenna addition at 1445 Key Road, Concordia, KS.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Christopher Rupert, Deputy Sheriff effective April 6, 2015.

At the discretion of the County Attorney, the Board acknowledged the classification changes for Janice Vignery, Paralegal/Clerk II from $13.50 to $15.78 and Vicki Kopsa, Paralegal from $15.20 to $18.24.

The Board reviewed a list of Comments, Questions & Suggestions submitted to the Clerk’s office over the previous week.

The Board Adjourned at 12:30 p.m. until Monday, April 27th.
Regular session of the April meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was
called to order at 8:15 a.m. on April 27, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse
with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk
Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Wanda Backstrom, JJA Director, Dawn Snyder JJA Case
Manager; Brian Marks, Sheriff, Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway
Administrator; Jerry Collins, IT Director.

Others attending were: Randy Hofmeier & Jeff Reece, Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris.

Wanda Backstrom, JJA Director & Dawn Snyder, JJA Case Manager presented the Juvenile
Services, Community Corrections DOC and Community Corrections Behavioral Health
Grant applications & Budgets.

On a motion by Engle, second by Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved the
chairman to sign the Behavior Health Grant for Community Corrections for $101,843.23.

On a motion by Czapanskiy, second by Engle, unanimous vote the board approved the
chairman to sign the Community Corrections DOC Grant for $174,135.00.

On a motion by Engle, second by Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved the
chairman to sign the Juvenile Services Grant for 2016.

On a motion by Engle, second by Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved the
chairman to sign the Interlocal agreement with the 12th Judicial District for Community
Corrections and Juvenile Services.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the KWORC Board of Trustees Meeting on
Thursday April 23rd in Topeka. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Juvenile
Detention Committee meeting on Tuesday April 21st in Concordia. Commissioner
Czapanskiy reported he talked to a Clyde City official in follow up to last week’s visit from
Marge Palecek.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote
the Board approved the minutes as presented.

Brian Marks, Sheriff, and Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported routine business and
thanked the Highway Department for the work they did on the Law Enforcement Center
grounds. Marks reported that camera’s would be installed in the courthouse beginning
Tuesday.

Randy Hofmeier & Jeff Reece with Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris talked to the Board about
the 2014 audit they’d be working on this week.
On a motion by Czapanskiy, second by Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the notice be sent to Lincoln Township for a cereal malt application for Geoffery Boaz Michels for the Fairgrounds.

Jerry Collins, IT Director updated the Board on the Computer policy process.

The Board reviewed a list of Comments, Questions & Suggestions submitted to the Clerk’s office over the previous week.

The Board Adjourned at 11:00 a.m. until Monday, May 4th.
COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
MAY 4, 2015
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 4, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Kathy Hajny, Transfer Station Clerk.

Others attending were: Johnita Crawford; Tom Richard; Dave White; Lance Lagasse.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the NCK Regional Homeland Security Council meeting in Beloit on April 28th, the Clyde Fire Department and Rural Fire District #2 received infrared cameras. He also attended the Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting on April 29th at the Health Department. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission in Abilene on April 30th. Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended a Special Meeting and the Resource Council on Thursday April 30th.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported the generator and grinder at the Law Enforcement Center and the Courthouse and Health Department security cameras were all up and operational. Tom Richard presented the Board with an invoice and report from Sharp Construction on their findings at the Law Enforcement Center. Condensation was not nearly as bad as they had expected, but concerns continue about the remaining building based on the workmanship of the roof installation. A new roof is needed.

The Board recognized a Thank you from Cloud County Community College’s Agricultural Education Department for supporting their Laboratory Facility by awarding them Wind Farm Funds.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he had phone calls related to the closing of 160th Road between Lark & Key. Tire bids were opened from Commercial Tire - Salina; Kansasland Tire – Concordia; & Becker Tire – Great Bend. Asch will review the bids and report back to the Board. Gator Bids were opened from Superior Outdoor Power Center, Inc, Superior NE for a 2015 Kawasaki 4010 Gas Mule - $10,975 and 2015 Yamaha Viking EPS - $12,850; Womack Sunshine Ford, Concordia for a 2015 Mule 4010 4x4 -$9,410.60; Concordia Tractor, Inc. Concordia for a John Deere XUV 825i - $11,733.29 and John Deere XUV 625i - $9,824.29

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved the agreement with the Kansas Department of Transportation and Cloud County for Federal Funding.
On a motion by Czapanskiy, second by Engle, unanimous vote the board approved the waterline extension for Ken Johnson of 2206 Noble Road.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director and Kathy Hajny, Transfer Station Clerk presented the board with delinquent Solid waste fees totaling $12,155.00 after adjustments.

Johnita Crawford presented the Board with a Proclamation. On a motion by Engle, second by Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board declared May as Mental Health Awareness month in Cloud County.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator and Dave White, Communications Specialists discussed the phone system at the Health Department. No action was taken. White updated the Board on the Courthouse system conversion.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved the service agreement between the Home Health Agency & the Sheriff’s office for consultation.

Beginning immediately the east and west basement entrances will be closed to the public. The public should enter the Courthouse using the elevator entrance or the main entrances on the east and west sides of the building.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the corrected minutes to read Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Community Correction 12th Judicial District meeting on Tuesday April 21st in Concordia.

Sales tax for April 2015 was $52,779.51 compared to $58,448.01 for 2014.

Accounts payable in the amount of $16,602.03 was approved.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the new hire of Michael Peterson as part time Deputy at the Sheriff’s office with an hourly of $13.00.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2015-18 voiding check number 135810 for $420.00 to KCCA to be replaced with a new check.

The Board Adjourned at 12:25 p.m. until Monday, May 11th.
Regular session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 11, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Barry Porter, Appraiser; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Lea Throckmorton, District Court Clerk.

Others attending were: Michelle Save; Sheri Kindel; Marlene Stamm; Pat Gerhardt, River Valley Extension District.

The Commissioners approved payroll totaling $139,281.69

Rob Walsh, County Attorney discussed the road closing of 160th between Lark & Key. Michelle Save & Sheri Kindel with the US Post office also addressed the board about the mail route that uses this road.

Brian Marks, Sheriff updated the Board on the Law Enforcement Center and Sheriff Dept. Multiple applications were received for the Deputy position that is open and one deputy is currently attending the Academy.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported back on tire bids. Bids were accepted for tires from Kansasland - $14,881.36, Becker Tire - $11,387.23; and Commercial Tire - $10,486.15. Asch discussed the Road closing on 160th between Lark & Key and reported Bridge proposals for bridge project 15c4723-01 would be opened Wednesday May 13th at 1:30 in the commission office. Asch will be attending the Kansas County Highway Administrators Conference in Manhattan.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved the hire of Duane Michaud & Dave Fisher as part time mowers for the summer at a rate of $8.25.

Marlene Stamm, NCK Environmental LLC, update the Board on area permits.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved a 5 minute executive session for attorney client privilege with County Attorney Walsh.

At 10:15 the Board conducted a monthly department head meeting.
Pat Gerhardt, Extension reported they were working on the Fair, conducted a Tractor Safety class Saturday, Childcare car seat training Thursday and will have a child care Provider Class today.

Lea Throckmorton reported a new hire for the Lincoln office and they are still without a Court reporter.

Rob Walsh discussed some current legislation.

Andy Asch reported they will start spraying this week, that there was little storm damage in Cloud County last week and they would be doing some work on 140th Rd south of Cloud County Community College.

Jerry Collins, IT Director reported he is working on a new Anti-virus, the video surveillance system is operating and is continuing work on the Banking Policy. Discussion of night meetings was held, attendees will have access to the building from the East basement entrance.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste director reported they shipped 49,175 lbs. of cardboard from the Recycling Center and continue to receive complaints about uncovered loads to the Transfer Station.

Diana Gering, Health Department administrator reported their security system is operational.

Barry Porter, Appraiser reported they were working on Values.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk reported a Suggestion, Comment & Questions box is located in the Clerk’s office and that she had attended the Kansas County Clerk’s association last week and realized after speaking to other Counties how well all the department heads work together at Cloud County. The Maintenance Department has been working on the “North 40” but there were still items that need to be looked through.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the KCCA meeting in Wichita last week and would like to see the departments cut 3% out of their commodities budget. He gave a brief update on the Law Enforcement Center and how the work done by Sharp Construction and the Highway Department helped with the rains we had last week.

Following the Department head meeting Gering presented the board with 2 bids from Cunningham Cable for a new phone system at the Health Department. Gering will talk to Wanda Backstrom, JJA Director about using their old system.

Commissioner Caspers & Engle reported they attended the Kansas County Commissioners Association (KCCA) meeting in Wichita on May 5th, 6th & 7th. Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he also attended the KCCA meeting and the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting Friday, May 8th.

On a motion by Engle, second by Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board declared May as Motorcycle Awareness month in Cloud County.
On a motion by Engle, second by Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes with the addition that the commissioners may attend the KCCA meeting in Wichita.

The Board approved accounts payable in the amount of $16,602.03, payroll deductions of $39,589.27 and payroll benefits of $23,426.93.

The Board Adjourned at 12:00 p.m. until Monday, May 18th.
Regular session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 18, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager; Nick Clanin, Corrections Officer.

Others attending were: Tom Richard; Gertrude Poe, Commission on Aging; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director; Marlene Stamm, NCK Environment, LLC.

The Commissioners approved accounts payable in the amount of $16,611.26.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a five minute executive session for non-personnel matters with Nick Clanin.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a thirty minute executive session for confidential financial data of a 3rd party with Robert Walsh, Tom Richard and Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin, LLP by conference call.

On a motion by Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board declared Zahner-Hansen guilty of a substantial breach of the contract for construction of the new Cloud County Jail Facility by failing to provide a water-tight building, by failing to correct defective work identified after substantial completion, and by failing to deliver to the County the building manufacturer’s extended warranty for the building, therefore establishing a basis to terminate the contract.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board ask the contract’s Initial Decision Maker, GGA Architects, to certify that sufficient cause exists for termination on those grounds.

Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager discussed the east elevator, building check procedures with the Sheriff’s office, the Memorial Ball, the cooling tower and complaints on the lawn.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported that he will have to begin paying for the boxes they use at the Recycling Center at a rate of $2 each, the delinquent fees have been turned into the Clerk’s office, they are finishing the set up on the new computer and work that needs done on the older trailer at the Transfer Station.
On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved accessing a $10 fee for non-secure loads going to the Transfer Station beginning June 15th.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the bid by Ebert Construction, Co. Inc. for Bridge project 15C-4723-01 in the amount of $179,464.12.

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported they were housing 65 inmates with a total of 38 out of County, water issues have decreased significantly with the temporary repairs to the roof and discussed correspondence with Sedgwick County.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a 10 minute executive session for non-elected personnel with Amber Lindberg and Shella Thoman.

Gertrude Poe, Commission on Aging presented a 2016 budget request. The request will be taken into consideration when preparing the County’s budget.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board appointed Patricia Jones of Glasco to serve on the Commission of Aging Board.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director presented the board with a new Mitigation Plan and encouraged all residents to attend storm watching classes when available.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a variance on the property located at 693 Jade Rd, Glasco.

The Board recognized a Thank you from the Miltonvale Education & Charitable Foundation Trust for Wind Farm funds.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the Cloud County Resource Council meeting Wednesday May 13th in Concordia. Commissioner Engle attended the Bridge Project Bid opening at the Courthouse on Wednesday May 13th.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman signing the cereal malt beverage license for Geoffrey B. Michels for the Cloud County Fairgrounds.

The Board Adjourned at 12:13 p.m. until Tuesday, May 26th.
Regular session of the May meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on May 26, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Vicki Kopsa, Attorney’s Paralegal.

Others attending were: Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director; Ashley McMillian, Cloud Corp; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Larry Anderson & Jerry Anderson.


Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Juvenile Detention Committee Meeting in Junction City on May 20th. Commissioner Caspers attended the Cloud Corp Board meeting Monday May 19th and the participated in a KWORC Teleconference on Thursday May 21st.

On a motion by Engle, second by Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the possibility of closing the office Thursday for employees to attend the funeral of long time Cloud County Employee Gino Brichalli. The Highway Department will be closed from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Thursday May 28th. Commissioner Czapanskiy asked Asch to review the intersection at 280th & Camp for the possibility of a yield or stop sign.

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported she was working with Sedgwick County and updating their contract with Cloud County to house inmates.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator updated the board on the phone system contract. Gering would like to wait until 2016 to purchase a new system.

Ashley Hutchinson, CloudCorp thanked the Board for their support with the Get in the Cloud Grant and presented the Committee’s recommendations. There were seven (7) applicants with six (6) of them being recommended for funding. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board accept applications from the Get in the Cloud Committee and approve Ringneck Kennels - $25,000, Paul’s Tree Care LLC - $10,000, LeDuc Memorial - $25,000, Dairy Queen - $12,500, MAC Fabricating -
$20,000, Easy G’s Sports Grill - $40,000, leaving $17,500 for the July 1 round of applications.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 15-19 appointing Regina Thompson, Attorney-At-Law, as acting Cloud County Attorney, for the purpose of handling any matter as they arise on May 30, 2015 through June 7, 2015 in the absence of County Attorney Walsh.

Larry Eubanks visited with the Board about the New Mitigation Plan. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Hazard Mitigation Plan for 2015 for Cloud County.

Larry & Jerry Anderson visited with the Board about their concerns with the water quality & settling of their land located near the City’s Waste Water Treatment Plant and Alsop Sand’s sand pit.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director discussed a variety of scenario’s at the Transfer Station concerning the unsecured load fee at the Transfer Station and the signage that will be put in place.

The Board recessed at 12:25 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

The Board discussed inmate housing options with Brian Marks, Sheriff, Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; and Vicki Jones, Attorney’s Paralegal.

The Board adjourned at 3:35 p.m. until Monday, June 1st.
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, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; and JoDee LeDuc, Treasurer.

Others attending were: Todd L. Gennette, Loren & Jolene Cote, Art Slaughter, Jim Jackson, Robert & Sue Cadamore, David Brewer, John B. Toone, Tom Tuggle, Beth Sacco, Robin & Annette Hood; and Tina Stillwell, Cloud County Resource Council.

Brian Marks, Sheriff discussed routine business and asked the Weed Department to spray.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the new hire of Ashely A. Campbell as Deputy Sheriff at a wage of $14.56 an hour effective June 15, 2015 to fill an open position.

Robert Cadamore and Todd Gennette, with the support of area residents presented the Board with additional information on the tower to be erected near 15th Street and Hill Street. Because the FCC request for environmental review has been denied they are asking the Board for assistance for the safety of all Cloud County residents. They requested the Board to consider a Resolution of Moroia/Moratorium concerning any and all Tower placements in the County of Cloud, Kansas; to notify any and all prospective tower placements companies of the Moroia/Moratorium to be put into effect with a Cease & Desist Order against any and all construction during the moratorium; and presented five (5) requests to consider relating to set-back/fall–zones of any towers to be located within the County. Commissioner Czapanskiy shared his concern with the possibility of a law suit. Tom Tuggle stated the County was well in police powers to proceed with a moratorium and in his opinion should. The Board will obtain legal advice and recommend the group return in two (2) weeks.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting in Beloit on Thursday May 28th. Commissioner Caspers attended the Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting on Wednesday May 27th.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board acknowledge sales tax proceeds for May 2015 in the amount of $58,541.13 compared to $61,671.83 in May of 2014.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board sign a letter of support of the North Central Kansas CASA.
Tina Stillwell, Cloud County Resource Council Executive Director, asked the Board to consider an increase in support from $5,000 to $10,000. The resource council served 613 households (1,635 people) in 2014, up from 380 families (836 people) in 2013. Additional information on the Crisis Assistance, Club 81 Youth Center, School Supply Program, Holiday Store, Mobile Pantry, Toys for Tots & the Special Education Classes & JAG Classes from Concordia High School was presented. The Board will consider the request when preparing the 2016 budget.

The Commissioners approved expenses: accounts payable - $4,349.44 and reviewed the public comments & suggestions from the comments/suggestions/questions box located in the County Clerk’s office.

The Board adjourned at 11:30 a.m. until Monday, June 8th.
Regular session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 8, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; JoDee LeDuc, Treasurer; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Judy Lambert, Register of Deed; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; and Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Kim Larson, River Valley Extension District; Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp Director; Larry & Jerry Anderson; Sheila Nelson-Stout, James Quillen, Patrick Wallerius, OCCK and Wyatt Hoch, Attorney – Foulston Siefkin by conference call.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a 5 minute executive session with Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken by Conference Call and County Attorney Walsh.

The Board discussed the 160th Road Closure and the 15th Street Tower with Walsh.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved to terminate the contract with Zahner-Hansen and demand upon surety for work on the jail based upon the report from Foulston Siefkin, LLP.

Amber Lindberg, Jail administrator reported that although they were not as bad as previous leaks there were significant leaks in the past week at the LEC; Sedgwick County visited Friday and discussed the number of minimum and maximum inmates they could contract with; they were housing a total of 66 inmates, 40 of them out of county.

Jerry & Larry Anderson stopped to discuss their land issues with the Board. The Board recommended they visit with the EPA.

A Department Head meeting was conducted at 10:15 a.m.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported she was working on cutting her budget for 2016 and other routine business. She has not seen a big difference in the change to the Mortgage Registration Fee totals.

JoDee LeDuc, Treasurer reported they are preparing to mail out delinquent tax statements and is comparable to prior years.

Kim Larson, River Valley Extension District reported they are preparing for the fair, doing wheat plot tours and have an assistant on Mondays for the summer.
Brian Marks, Sheriff reported the Sheriff’s office finished up the STEP program otherwise known as Click it or Ticket. They made 171 stops resulting in 158 tickets. Tickets are a $10 fine, do not have court costs and are not reported to insurance companies. KDOT will reimburse the County for overtime accumulated during the program and the money raised goes to the seatbelt program. And that with the planned Sedgwick County inmates the jail should meet capacity.

Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager reported business as usual, after fixing a leak in the cooling tower the chiller is on and they are fine tuning thermostats. They’ll be working on the Memorial Ball this week; the security cameras are installed and they are cutting grass on a lower setting to keep the yard looking nicer longer.

Jerry Collins, IT Director reported he was ready to ship a 2nd load of old computers to the recycling center after removing the memory and hard drives. The antivirus the County uses had a worldwide problem and he’d be moving over to Bit Defender. He can issue key cards in a variety of ways. And encouraged tablet and smartphone users to download antivirus on their devices. He’s continuing work on his budget and the banking policy.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they were behind on spraying and hauling rock due to the weather, they are down 3 ½ people and will be doing interviews this week for office help to replace an upcoming retiree.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator reported they had an audit last week, they have been very busy and are short employees due to FMLA leaves.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk reported that they have not heard when the auditors will return to work on budgets and to be conscience of not only where their budget authority balances are, but also the cash balance.

In regular session Asch reported interviews would be this week and that the sprayer is completed and they’ll start spraying the County’s properties.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a classification change for Charles Valcoure from bridge crew to equipment operator to fill an open position at a 6 month introductory period of $12.63.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a wage rate change for Lisa Widen from $12.70 to $14.09 due to the end of her introductory period.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board sign the contract with Ebert Construction Co., Inc. for Bridge 15C-4723-01.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 15-20 cancelling General fund check #134877 to the Clerk of the District Court for $75.00 due to being submitted twice.
Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported the signs for unsecured loads are completed and will be installed this week. Continued discussion on what classifies as a secured load. Reported he purchased a 1997 Chevy from the Highway Department and will be putting up a 1990 Ford for sealed bid. Discussed the sale of one of their older trailers at the Transfer Station. He reported the Recycling Center shipped out 45,959 lbs. of cardboard and have 3 loads of mixed paper ready to be shipped and purchased some trailer tires.

Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp asked the Board to consider an increase in funding to Cloud Corp for 2016. The current funding of $55,000 has been in effect since 2012. An additional $3,000 is requested for small business development and will be used to privatize their Small Business Development Services. Additionally a request that the Board strike the $14,000 appropriation to SBDC saving the County $11,000 on SBDC services. The request will be considered when working on the 2016 budget.

Sheila Nelson-Stout, James Quillen, Patrick Wallerius with OCCK, Inc. reviewed the services that they offer and asked for a 5% increase in funding for 2016 to $111,399. The request will be considered when working on the 2016 budget.

The Commissioners approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $4,826.25; payroll wages - $141,477.88; payroll benefits - $23,597.19; payroll deductions - $40,082.50; reviewed the public comments & suggestions from the comments/suggestions/questions box located in the County Clerk’s office and continued discussing the road closing of 160th Road between Lark & Key, the 15th Street Tower and Jail Administrator Salary.

The Board adjourned at 1:05 p.m. until Monday, June 15th.
Regular session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 15, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; and Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Larry & Jarry Anderson; Robert & Sue Cadamore, Sue Sutton, Les Hubert, Todd Gennette, Jim Jackson, Jim Coash, Eldon & Anita Wisdom, David Brewer, Carolyn Jensen, Annette & Robin Hood; Ronda Coffman & Bill Garrison, Conservation District; Gary Dvorak, Concordia Senior Center; Susie Haver, Cloud County Tourism.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the new hire of Kristine Price as office Clerk at the Highway Department beginning June 29th at a 3 month introductory wage of $12.70 an hour.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the agreement between the Secretary of Transportation and Cloud County for Bridge Project 15 C-4723-01.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator and Larry & Jarry Anderson discussed the ditch work on East 4th Street. The Anderson’s expressed concerns over the possible water damage if we were to get a heavy rain. Asch explained that they are working on it and have talked to other land owners in the area.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a 5 minute executive session with Attorney Walsh for attorney/client privilege.

Robert & Sue Cadamore, Sue Sutton, Les Hubert, Todd Gennette, Jim Jackson, Jim Coash, Eldon & Anita Wisdom, David Brewer, Carolyn Jensen, Annette & Robin Hood talked to the Board about Cellular Towers being built in Cloud County and their desire for the Commission to protect Cloud County citizens. Coash discussed the problems that may occur working close to the power lines and the protection a 1-1 setback would give. The group asked the Commission to consider a Moratorium to look more into the possibility of creating steps before Cellular Towers could be erected in Cloud County. The Commissioners expressed their concern over establishing anything that could be perceived as zoning.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a 5 minute executive session for Attorney/Client privilege with Walsh.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board approved a 180 day moratorium to study cell tower setbacks.
Ronda Coffman & Bill Garrison with the Cloud County Conservation District presented the board with a 2016 Budget request of $25,000 and discussed work they’ve done in 2015. This $5,000 increase would be the first since 2007. The Board will take the request into consideration at Budget time.

Gary Dvorak, Concordia Senior Center presented the Board with a 2016 Budget request for $4,000. This is the same amount that has been requested the past seven years. He discussed the benefits of the Senior Center and thanked the Board for the $3,000 funding in 2015. The Board will take the request into consideration at Budget time.

Amber Lindberg, Jail administrator reported they had a total of 69 inmates, 50 of them out of County. She talked to the Board about a company that could assist with Commissary and asked about the status of the roof.

Susie Haver, Cloud County Tourism presented the Board with a 2016 Budget request for $148,100 down $500 for 2015. She talked to the Board about a variety of things they do and that their budget is supported by transient bed tax dollars.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported the unsecured load signs have been installed and the ad will run in the paper and on the radio. Fines will be assessed beginning July 1st. The recycling center shipped 2 loads of mixed paper totaling 86,687 lbs. and the E-waste trailer was replaced with an empty trailer. There was 7,000 lbs. of E-waste. He discussed the County’s pay scale with the Board, specifically asking about the various Departments Office Clerk’s pay.

Jarry & Larry Anderson showed the Board pictures of East 4th Street from years past.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the bids from File Safe & Central Kansas Electric to finish the installation of Courthouse security cameras for $1,262.15.

The Commissioners approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $4,081.91.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the Abatement 2015-167 in the amount of $194.14.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting Friday June 12th in Concordia.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m. until Monday, June 22nd.
Regular session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 8:40 a.m. on June 22, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Wanda Backstrom, JJA Director; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff and Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Carl Eyman, KWORCC; David Yearout, Planning Consultant; Robert & Sue Cadamore, Sue Sutton, Todd Gennette, Jim Coash, Eldon & Anita Wisdom, Annette & Robin Hood, Loren & Jolene Cote, Tom & Machelle Raleigh, Greg Thoman, Mike Lambert, Mary Beth Sacco and Arlene Clayton.

Carl Eyman with KWORCC presented the Board with workers compensations premium and loss information, experience rating and claim analysis by accident type & department.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney and David Yearout, Planning Consultant talked to the Board and attendees about the moratorium approved last week, discussed the procedures of creating a Planning Committee, setbacks for towers located in the County and the progress on the 15th Street Tower.

Arlene Clayton discussed various items.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Amber Lindberg, Jail administrator reported they had a total of 72 inmates, 53 of them out of county. They expect to be getting financial assistance for the PREA audit, discussed inmates Social Security, the need for background checks, personnel coverage and wages and reported the new commissary system will be installed this week.

Wanda Backstrom, JJA Director was present for Bid opening for a vehicle for their department. One bid was received but it did not meet the specifications.

Robin Cole, Pawnee Mental Health presented a 2016 budget request for $70,250 an approximate 2% increase from 2015. She talked to the Board about the services they provide and said they provided services to 7,558 individuals in 2014, 606 of them were from Cloud County. She also discussed the reduced funding from the state and the reduction in beds available. The request will be considered at Budget time.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator presented the Board with the 2016 Grant estimates, over all there was a decrease from the requested to received amounts totaling $7,719.59.
On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Cloud County Emergency Preparedness bylaws.

The Commissioners approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $1,736.56; payroll - $139,542.90; payroll deductions - $53,760.07; payroll benefits - $122,842.98.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Juvenile Detention meeting Wednesday June 17th in Abilene.

The Board adjourned at 1:00 p.m. until Monday, June 29th.
Regular session of the June meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on June 29, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer; Jerry Collins, IT Director; and Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director;

Others attending were: Anita & Eldon Wisdom; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Casey Fraser; Larry & Jarry Anderson; Marlene Stamm, NCK Environmental; Betty Losh & Tom Gennette, Historical Society.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney presented the Board with a Resolution draft concerning setbacks and explained the process that would need to occur if passed.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board rescinded the motion to prepare a moratorium previously made.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved re-opening the closed road beginning at the Southeast Corner of Section 3-7-3 then a ½ mile North (also known as 160th Road between Key & Lark).

Jerry Collins, IT Director presented a draft of the computer policy, the Board asked Collins to email the policy to the Department heads.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed equipment problems and a water leak and addressed the Petition for replacement of the one-way tube for East 4th St.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Amber Lindberg, Jail administrator reported they had a total of 84 inmates, 65 of them out of county. They reported they are contracting with CBM for food service and commissary services.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Caspers as voting delegate for the Kansas Association of Counties 40th Annual Conference, Engle as 1st alternate and Czapanskiy as 2nd alternate.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported they were hiring for a part time position at the Recycling Center and the trailer they sold is now gone from the Transfer Station.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a classification change for Kathy Hajny from Clerk at a rate of $12.18 an hour to Scale Operator/Clerk at a rate of $13.00 an hour effective June 29, 2015.
Marlene Stamm, NCK Environmental, LLC presented an update on permits and a 2016 budget request. The Board will take the increase into consideration at budget time.

Betty Losh & Tom Gennette, Historical Society presented the Board with a 2016 budget request equal to 2015’s, they discussed the Museum and Museum annex. The request will be considered when preparing the budget.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a 10 minute executive session for non-elected personnel with Hake & Thoman present.

Diana Gering, Health Administrator presented the Board with an agreement with USD 333 to use the Service Center in case of an emergency and discussed routine business.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2015-2016 Local Emergency Planning Committee Members. Chairperson - Robert Gering, Rural Fire District #4; Vice Chairperson - Kathy Coleman, Miltonvale Fire & EMS; Members – Diana Gering, Cloud County Health Department; Gary Caspers, Cloud County; Bruce Johnson, City of Concordia; Brian Marks, Cloud County; Eric Voss, City of Concordia Fire Department; Michelle Kindel, Cloud County Health Department; Vonda Pumarlo, Cloud County Health Department; Larry Eubanks, Cloud County; Janet Eubanks, Cloud County Community College; Rhona Annon, Cloud County Health Center; Leroy Dickinson, Cloud County Health Center; Sandra Sterling, City of Concordia; Shella Thoman, Cloud County; Max Coleman, Volunteer Miltonvale Fire District; Andy Asch, Cloud County; Mike Hake, Cloud County; Edward Rudolph, City of Clyde, Derek Holmes, USD 333; Jon Pucket, City of Miltonvale; Corey Reese, Clifton Clyde Schools; Matt Gilbert; City of Jamestown; Roger Perkins, USD 224, Michael Peterson, Kansas Dept. of Wildlife & Park, Tourism.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-21 Adopting the North-Central (Region F) Multi-Hazard, Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The Commissioners approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $526,457.95.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the LEPC meeting on Wednesday June 24th and KWORCC Board of Trustees Tele-Conference on Thursday June 25th.

The Board will participate in Coffeetime at KNCK Studio’s on July 3rd.

County Offices will be closed in observance of Independence Day on July 3rd. The Cloud County Transfer Station & Recycling Center will also be closed Saturday July 4th.

The Board adjourned at 12:35 p.m. until Monday, July 6th.
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, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Larry Uri, City Manager; Alan de Rochefort-Reynolds.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney updated the Board on the closing of 160th Road.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Amber Lindberg, Jail administrator reported they had a total of 81 inmates, 68 of them out of county. The Board acknowledged the resignation of Sarah Hanline, Corrections Officer effective June 23, 2015. Discussed the contract for food service and PREA.


On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board adopted the State mileage reimbursement rate of $.57 a mile.

Larry Uri, City Manager, invited the Board to the City Commission meeting on July 15th to open possible bids on the former Alco Building.

Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager reported a position would be coming open in his department and discussed the possibility of using part time help and other routine business.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2015-22 to cancel the presented checks that were not received by the vendor.

#132287 on March 3, 2014 in the amount of $20.00 to Shaela Renea Bergeson
#132560 on April 7, 2014 in the amount of $20.00 to Shawn Francis Marcotte
#132561 on April 7, 2014 in the amount of $10.00 to Shayla Brooks
#133331 on July 7, 2014 in the amount of $42.00 to Wendy A Genreux
#133603 on August 11, 2014 in the amount of $21.75 to Kristin Peltier
#133629 on August 11, 2014 in the amount of $108.75 to Sandra Hanson
#133641 on August 11, 2014 in the amount of $105.13 to Virginia Seim
On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2015-23 establishing the following wage scale for elected officials for the calendar year 2015.

- County Sheriff: $48,135.88
- County Attorney: $49,693.54 + $10,000 (Appeals)
- County Clerk: $34,975.46 + Calculation of KSA 8-145 *
- County Treasurer: $34,975.46 + Calculation of KSA 8-145 *
- Register of Deeds: $32,724.90
- Commissioners: $11,820.38

*$5,492.92 shall be paid per pay period with the remaining paid the last payroll of 2015.

The Board discussed other routine business including the possible purchase of the Cloud County Health Department building and the employee handbook. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the employee handbook changes for work performed on Cloud County Holidays, effective July 1, 2015 to read: Full-time “non-exempt” employees that work on a Cloud County holiday will be paid time and a half for hours worked on that day.

The Board acknowledge classification changes for Grant supported employees in Community Corrections / Juvenile Services effective June 28, 2015. Dawn Synder, Assistant Director - $17.95 to $21.69; Rose Splichal, Juvenile Intake Assessment Coordinator $20.37 to $22.74; Erin Garman, Adult Intensive Supervision Officer $17.15 to $19.66; Christine Witt, Adult Intensive Supervision Officer $17.95 to $21.15; Jonna Trost, Part-time Adult Intensive Supervision Officer $16.65 to $19.66; Richard Kent Anderson, Part-time Transport Driver $14.00 to $16.18; Bruce Steven Snyder, Part-time Transport Driver/Compliance Officer $14.00 to $16.18; Randy Sorell, Part-time Compliance Officer $15.80 to $16.18; Glenda Schreiber, Part-time Secretary I $11.28 to $13.64.

The Board acknowledge a thank you from the Clyde Development, Inc. Committee for the grant funds to purchase the Portable Bathroom unit.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $15,483.03; payroll deductions - $38,621.56; payroll benefits - $25,536.20; payroll - $136,689.01.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved abatements 2015-168 – 174, 178, 179, 182 totaling $2,600.54

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented for the Special Meeting July 1st at City Hall. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes with the correction to read: On a Motion Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Caspers, unanimous vote the Board rescinded the motion to prepare a moratorium previously made.

Commissioner Caspers, Engle and Czapanskiy reported they attended the City Commission meeting July 1st in Concordia and participated in Coffee Time on July 3rd at the KNCK Studios.

The Board adjourned at 12:05 p.m. until Monday, July 13th.
Regular session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 13, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Robert Walsh, County Attorney; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Diana Gering, Health Administrator; JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director.

Others attending were: Carol Miller, NCK CASA; Danny McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board; Pat Gerhart, River Valley Extension.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney updated the Board on the closing of 160th Road and participated in a conference call with Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken, LLP concerning the Law Enforcement Center.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board made a motion based upon certification by GGA Architects, as initial decision maker under contract for the construction of the Cloud County Law Enforcement Center, move to have legal counsel send written notice based on contract general condition section 14.2.2 of Cloud County’s intent to terminate the contact and to make demand upon surety for lack of performance.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they had a total of 78 inmates and discussed the contract for food service.

Carol Miller, NCK CASA presented a 2016 budget request for $14,000, an additional $1,000 over 2015. The request will be considered when preparing the budget.

Department Head

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported routine business and troubles they were having with scanning documents.

JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer reported they mailed out delinquent tax statements totaling approximately $590,000.

Pat Gerhart, River Valley Extension District reported they were preparing for the Cloud County Fair next week.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser discussed Ag land mapping and the real estate market.
Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported they shipped out 51,930 lbs. (46 bales) of cardboard, discussed the heat in the Recycling Center building, some cosmetic damage to the trailer at the Transfer Station and CPR/First Aid training.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they were doing patch work, spraying and finishing clean up from the high waters we’ve had.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator reported they would be having a booth at the Cloud County Fair.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk reported the change in mileage rate to $.57, the change in the Holiday pay policy and an expected increase of 10% – 15% in the Counties Health Care premiums.

Jerry Collins, IT Director discussed the Counties computer polices, the change in Anti-virus and a Webinar scheduled for Wednesday on Cyber Risk Insurance.

Commissioner Czapanskiy said he appreciated the decrease in budget request he’s seen.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the salary change for Rod Michaud from $15.54 to $17.41 due to the end of his introductory period.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the hiring of Quentin E Nault as part-time equipment operator at a rate of $8.25 for the Recycling Center.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the Chemical Dependency Committee Meeting on Friday, July 10th. The public is invited to participate in a presentation “What you need to know: New Drugs that our kids already know about” by Lynn Smith on Thursday August 13th at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at Cook Theatre on the Cloud County Community College Campus. Commissioner Caspers reported he and Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator were interviewed by the Blade Empire and toured the old facility with the reporter.

The Board discussed other routine business including the possible purchase of the Cloud County Health Department building and the Courthouse parking lot.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $10,168.50

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The board will participate in the City of Concordia’s Commission meeting July 15th.

The Board adjourned at 11:58 a.m. until Wednesday, July 15th.
Regular session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 20, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator and Brian Marks, Sheriff.

Others attending were: Larry Uri, City Manager; Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp; Todd Stupka, Black Label Development; Jessica LeDuc, Blade-Empire; Joe Jindra, KNCK; Lowell Thoman; and Norman McMillian.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator presented a water line request. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board granted an easement for Casey Richard for a waterline to run under Cloud Rd approximately 750 feet east of 190th. Commissioner Engle reported a citizen called with concerns on Key Road between 160th & 170th and asked Asch to look at it.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-24 cancelling the following checks due to not being received by the vendor:

- #135481 on April 6, 2015 in the amount of $4,500 to Geosource, LLC
- #135296 on March 9, 2015 in the amount of $20.00 to Janelle L Larson-Smith
- #135304 on March 9, 2015 in the amount of $40 to John A. Budke
- #133586 on August 11, 2014 in the amount of $200 to First Christian Church
- #132209 on March 3, 2014 in the amount of $60.40 to Joseph Veneyas

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the resignation of Brice Berk as custodian from County Maintenance effective July 10th and hiring as a correction officer at the Sheriff’s office at a rate of $13.12 effective July 14th.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-25 appointing Gray Frint, Law Enforcement Representative; Brian Marks, Law Enforcement Representative; Bev Mortimer, Cloud County Commissioners Representative; Tim Mueller, Washington County Commissioners Representative; Bob Richard, Beloit City Council Representative; Mark Rothfuss, Mental Health Representative; Denis Shumate, Mitchell County Commissioners Representative; Guy Steier, Judiciary Representative; Regine Thompson, Belleville City Commissioners Representative; Robert Wash, Prosecution Representative to the 12th Judicial District Community Corrections/Juvenile Services Advisory Board for the term July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017.

Todd Stupka, Black Label Development presented an offer of $50,000 for the property located at 1401 East Sixth St, Concordia (Alco Building) for the intentions of category 4
secure storage, a weather-tight storage facility, store frontage and future developments. After discussion and questions from attendees no action was taken.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they had a total of 84 inmates (13 in county) and discussed routine business. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Ryan Sothers as a Corrections Officer at a rate of $13.12 an hour beginning July 20th.

Norman McMillan talked to the board about the bad conditions of the county roads.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the Cloud County Resource Council Meeting on Wednesday, July 15th. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Juvenile Detention Committee meeting on Wednesday, July 15th in Junction City.

The Board talked to John Hood via phone about the possible purchase of the Cloud County Health Department building. The County will have a Safety Inspection on July 29th with the Kansas Department of Labor.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $6,780.01; payroll - $138,291.94; payroll deductions & benefits – $177,360.11.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented with the addition: Danny McReynolds, Cloud County Fair Board presented the Board with a 2016 budget request for $40,000. The request will be considered when preparing the budget. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented from the Special Meetings on Wednesday, July 15th and Thursday, July 16th.

The board will meet Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. to work on the budget.

The Board adjourned at 12:08 p.m. until Monday, July 27th.
Regular session of the July meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 27, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Barry Porter, Appraiser; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Robert Walsh, Attorney; and Wanda Backstrom, JJA Director.

Others attending were: Larry Uri, City Manager; and Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board sign a letter of support for the Domestic Violence Association of Central Kansas (DVACK) School based Teen Dating Violence Prevention Program.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they had a total of 60 out of county inmates and discussed routine business.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a readjusted wage of $13.37 from $13.12 for newly hired Corrections officers Ryan Sothers & Brice Berk due to an error on the hiring forms.

Larry Uri, City Manager discussed a joint study session with the City Commissioners to be held following their regular meeting August 19th.

Wanda Backstrom, JJA/Community Corrections Director discussed how their grant money works. The Board asked about her department paying a fee for maintenance/utilities/services. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the following: FY 2016 Community Corrections Grant Funds Final Revised Budget Summary & Budget Narrative; Community Corrections Final Revised Behavioral Health Budget Summary & Budget Narrative; FY 2016 Carryover Reimbursements Plan Budget Summary Budget Narrative; FY 2015 Quarterly Budget Adjustment Report; and Line Item Adjustment Budget Summary.

Rob Walsh, County Attorney presented a copy of a letter sent to the Attorney General of Kansas regarding an opinion on road foreclosure.

Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp Director presented documentation for In the Cloud Grant Funds. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approving NCK Mats & More, LLC $17,500.
On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a 10 minute executive session to discuss sales of private property including Barry Porter, Appraiser.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they were working on the 4th street ditch, hauling rock and that he’d be putting an ad in the paper for 3 open positions. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the wage change from $13.30 to $13.69 for Anthony Smith due to his introductory period ending effective July 26, 2015. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the wage change from $13.93 to $14.17 for Vincent R. Armstrong from $13.93 to $14.17 due to his introductory period ending effective July 26, 2015. The Board acknowledged the resignation of Dustin L. Hittle effective July 28, 2015.

Diana Gering discussed the 2014, 2015 and 2016 Health Department budgets and expressed her concern with the comments from last week’s budget meeting. It was explained that while she was over budget a $100,000 for the contractual services line item, her complete fund was over budget approximately $40,000. A significant portion of that was due to the over purchase of immunizations that the company would not allow to be returned and the addition to staffing for Home Health services.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Cloud Corp Board Meeting on Tuesday, July 21st and the KWORC Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday, July 23rd. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Juvenile / Community Correction Advisory board meeting on Tuesday, July 21st.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $245,034.23.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board adjourned at 12:25 p.m. until Monday, August 3rd.
Regular session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 3, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; and Robert Walsh, Attorney.

Others attending were: Eric Ivey & Kim Goodnight, ITC; Toby Nosker, KNCK; and Beth Goodnight.

Rob Walsh, County Attorney updated the board on the closing of 160th road between Key & Lark.

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported the Law Enforcement Center had 85 total inmates, 67 of them out of County. Food Service was up and going, discussed the mold in the old jail and the need to relocate documents, and medical expenses of inmates and the data software used by Washington County.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed the problems associated with a variety of job descriptions and the pay associated with the job description, and they were continuing to spray and haul rock.

Eric Ivey and Kim Goodnight, ITC presented the board with a maintenance agreement for the use of County roads. They reported that they’ll begin moving September 1st and should complete the project the end of 2016; although it does not have to be in service until 2018. He stated that the Elem Creek Substation paid $154,738 in taxes last year.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste director discussed the purchasing of a utility vehicle and the trailer to be sold at the Transfer Station. In Recycling Center matters he reported that from 2012 to date the income from recyclables sold totaled $123,373.87. For the same period had those recyclables been transferred to the landfill would have cost $75,332.41. Hake expressed his concern in combing the Recycling Center income and expenses with the Transfer Stations.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the NCK Regional Homeland Security Council meeting on Tuesday July 28th, in Beloit. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting Thursday, July 30th in Concordia.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-25 expressing the property taxation policy of the Board of Commissioner at Cloud County with respect to financing the annual budget for 2016, that a levy of property taxes in support of the 2016 budget exceeding the amount levied in 2015, as adjusted pursuant to KSA 79-2925b.
On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved abatement 2015-202 totaling $600.44.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $7,341.82; payroll clearing and benefits - $62,538.11; and payroll - $140,264.49.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes with the correction to the motion and second to read: On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the wage change from $13.93 to $14.17 for Vincent R. Armstrong from $13.93 to $14.17 due to his introductory period ending effective July 26, 2015.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m. until Monday, August 10th.
Regular session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 10, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; and Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Lea Throckmorton, District Court Clerk; Kim Larson, River Valley Extension; Eric Ivey, ITC; Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp.

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator called in a reported they were housing a total of 82 inmates with 63 of them out of county inmates.

Rob Walsh, County Attorney discussed the road maintenance agreement with ITC, the closing of 160th road and the Attorney’s salary. A call to Garth Herrmann with Gilmore and Bell was made in reference to the No Fund Warrant currently held by the County.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator updated the Board on equipment problems. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the classification changes for: Zakary Romo from Bridge Crew to Equipment Operator with an introductory wage of $12.63 for 6 months; Travis Mills, Richard Kindel and Todd LeDuc from Truck Driver to Equipment Operator from $12.47 to $13.69 effective August 9th.

Lea Throckmorton, District Court Clerk reported they are contracting with a new Trustee for Court debt and effective August 1st Court documents could be filed electronically.

Kim Larson, River Valley Extension reported the County Fairs are finished and the 4-H youth attended an educational trip to Texas.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they were patching, spraying and they would begin interviewing for 3 positions this week.

Jerry Collins, IT Director reported he was switching antivirus systems.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported they shipped 41,000 lbs. of mixed paper and were shipping out cardboard this week.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator reported they were doing schools shots and going through their budget expenditures to assure they were being classified correctly.
Shella Thoman, County Clerk reported the Budget Hearing would be at 8:30 on Monday the 17th.

Commissioner Czapanskiy discussed the Budget process and how the process could be different in upcoming years.

Eric Ivey discussed the Road Maintenance Agreement with the Board. The Board asked for an addendum related to a Bond. Ivey would contact their legal department and report back.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a 5 minute executive session with Andy Asch to discuss non-elected personnel.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste director discussed billing problems they had with the new Solid Waste software and discussed the collection of Solid Waste and Recycling Center fees for the future.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Health Assessment Meeting at the Hospital on Wednesday August 5th.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Abatements 2015-204 & 205 totaling $32.50.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $8,398.02.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board adjourned at 11:52 a.m. until Monday, August 17th.
COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
AUGUST 17, 2015
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 8:30 a.m. on August 17, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director and Barry Porter, Appraiser.

Others attending were: Toby Nosker, KNCK; Bill Garrison

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the 2016 budget as presented.

The Board called Kim Goodnight about the Road agreement; he reported the legal department was working with the County Attorney.

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported they were housing a total of 83 inmates with 64 of them out of county inmates. The Board called Rick Morton in reference to the heating and cooling system.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he finished with interviews and talked to Jewell County about road materials and they would be looking at some used equipment.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste director reported they shipped out 49,980 lbs. of cardboard. Continued discussing the pros and cons of changing the billing of Solid Waste fees from monthly and semi-annually to being included on the tax statements.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on Friday August 14th and invites the public to a presentation on September 15th at 1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. by Don McPherson. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the KAC Legislative Committee Meeting on Friday August 14th.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $25,657.79, payroll - $140,173.61; payroll benefits & deductions - $170,496.04.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Commissioner will attend a study session with the City of Concordia’s Commissioners on Wednesday August 19th.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. until Monday, August 24th.
Regular session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 24, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Barry Porter, Appraiser; Brian Marks, Sheriff, Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; JoDee LeDuc, Treasurer; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director and Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Kent Anderson; Toby Nosker, KNCK; Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp Director; Jeff Jensen, Eric Ivey, Holly Fishes, and Liz Hunt, ITC Great Plains, LLC.

Kent Anderson asked questions about the 2016 budget.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the Health Department building and the road agreement with ITC.

Brian Marks, Sheriff and Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported they were housing a total of 82 inmates with 62 of them out of county. Discussed the heating and cooling system and food service billing. The Board recognized the termination of Jerron Baxter effective August 21, 2015.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved the new hire of Roger Weathersby as a correction officer at a rate of $13.37.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste director discussed the Solid Waste and Recycling Center fees for 2016. Barry Porter, Appraiser reported the method used by Republic County.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they looked at some used equipment, are continuing to spray and will begin working on the bridge between 230th & 240th on Union Road.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the board approved the following new hires as Equipment Operators effective August 31st at a rate of $12.63 for an introductory period of 6 months, Dalton J. Lindsay, Corey M. Huff, Tanner Gilbert and Marcus Murrow.

Jeff Jensen, Eric Ivey, Holly Fishes, and Liz Hunt with ITC discussed the Road Agreement between ITC and the County. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved signing the Road Maintenance Agreement with ITC Great Plains, LLC.
Diana Gering, Health Administrator discussed the Health Department Building.

JoDee LeDuc, Treasurer discussed an agreement between the State and the County for Motor Vehicle Processing and will be publishing a retraction for delinquent taxes due do to a system error printing a prior owners name rather than current owner on the published delinquent tax listing.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the board approved signing the funding request for the fiscal year 2015-2016 to Kansas Crossroads RC&D for $700.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the Cloud County Resource Council meeting on Wednesday August 19th. Commissioner Engle reported he participated in the KAC Legislative Committee Conference call on Friday August 21st, attended the Juvenile Detention Committee Meeting Wednesday August 19th and the North Central Regional Planning Commission Meeting Thursday August 20th. Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the KWORK Board of Trustees meeting in Topeka on Thursday August 20th and participated in KNCK’s Community Connections Friday August 21st. All Commissioners attended a work study with the City of Concordia Commissioners on Wednesday August 19th.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $1,090.48.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board may attend the Tourism / Historical Society meeting Thursday August 27th.

The Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m. until Monday, August 31st.
Regular session of the August meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 31, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director.

Others attending were: Tom Richard; Jim Demars; Tammy Marrs; and Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp Director.

Tom Richard delivered an email from Scott C. Williams, Mainer & Herod, P.C. in reference to the Law Enforcement Center and will be making arrangements for a follow up visit and discussed a personal fencing issue.

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported they were housing 70 out of county inmates and discussed Cloud County inmate medical expenses and the 2015 budget.

Jim DeMars & Tammy Marrs discussed the use of Wind Farm Funds they have previously received. The Board agreed they could use remaining funds from a previous project for the RV Park.

Jerry Collins, IT Director discussed a variety of computer updates. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Cloud County Computer & Electronic Communications Policy.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste director discussed the Solid Waste and Recycling Center fees for 2016. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of David Empson as Part time Equipment operator at the Transfer Station at an hourly rate of $8.25.

Diana Gering, Health Administrator discussed the Health Department Building. The Board acknowledged the termination of Dana Alkire effective August 31st. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved reclassifying Full time employee Lois Tracey to working part time WIC at a rate of $11.58 reducing her weekly Home Health duties to part time continuing at an hourly rate of $9.75.

County Treasurer reported August sales tax was $62,159.43 compared to $59,404.61 in 2014.

The Board called Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefken LLP to discuss the email presented by Tom Richard.
On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board sign the Proclamation presented by Pawnee Mental Health Services proclaiming September 2015 as Recovery Month in Cloud County.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman to sign the Soil Conservation 2016 Operations Fund Budget.

Commissioner Caspers and Czapanskiy reported they attended the joint Cloud County Museum and Tourism meeting on Thursday, August 24th.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $508,737.97; payroll - $139,012.57 and payroll deductions & benefits - $60,996.98.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

County offices will be closed Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 p.m. until Tuesday, September 8th.
Regular session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 8, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator; Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; and Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Marlene Stamm, NCK Environmental, LLC; Jay Lowell & Hailey Keller, Blade Empire.

Jay Lowell introduced Hailey Keller as a new employee with the Blade Empire who would be covering the County Board of Commission meetings.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney discussed the status of the closing of 160th road between Key & Lark, the Kansas Fence Law and the procedure to install a new stop sign.

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported they were housing 63 out of county inmates and discussed damage to a sprinkler head, maintenance for the sprinkler system and commissary.

Marlene Stamm, NCK Environmental, LLC gave the board an update and discussed the renewal of her contract.

The Board recognized the hiring of Donnie D. Kearn as a Transport Driver for the 12th Judicial Juvenile Services at a rate of $16.18 an hour effective August 31, 2015.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported routine business, Kansas Department of Labor’s safety inspection and installing a new stop sign. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-26 to install a stop sign at the intersection of 280th & Camp Road.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-27 to remove the weight limit sign installed on bridge No. 6314, located in section 21 and 22 T6S, R3W, which spans Oak Creek.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-28 to remove the weight limit sign installed on bridge No. 6327, located in section 33 T6S, R3W, which spans Oak Creek.

Dianna Gering, Health Administrator reported alarm problems, upcoming flu shots, the Kansas of Department’s Safety Inspection and reported effective September 16th the Health department temporarily would not have Occupational Therapy (OT) services available do to
the current Therapists resignation; they intend on contracting with the Cloud County Health Center OT when a replacement is made.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported routine business and discussed the Kansas Department of Labor’s safety inspection.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved rewording of the County’s Bereavement Leave policy to read as follows:

Up to four (4) working days of leave with pay (for a regular workday, not to exceed eight (8) hours per day & not charged to other leave time) may be granted to regular full-time employees upon request to make arrangements for and attend funeral services of the employee’s spouse, child, parent, grandparent, granddaughter, grandson, brother, sister, and any Great, Step, Half or In-law of the those or of the employee’s spouse. Time can be used from the day of death through the day following the funeral service.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the KAC Legislative Policy Meeting in Topeka on Friday, September 4th.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $12,670.16.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes with a correction to read:. Commissioner Caspers and Commissioner Engle reported they attended the joint Cloud County Museum and Tourism meeting on Thursday, August 24th.

The Board adjourned at 11:50 p.m. until Monday, September 14th.
Regular session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 14, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Barry Porter, Appraiser; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; JoDee LeDuc, Treasurer; Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds; and Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire; Mikki Nelson; Pat Gerhart, River Valley Extension District; Lea Throckmorton, District Court Clerk; and Arlene Clayton.

Mikki Nelson discussed the condition of her road at 2100 N 30th and asked that some work be done with the road surface and the trees. The Board will discuss with Asch.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported Rick Morton would be at the jail today for a follow up visit and he spoke to Roger Demanette about reprogramming the HVAC system.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board nominates Gary Caspers to serve on the KWORCC Board of Trustees representing the North Central Kansas District including Clay, Cloud, Dickinson, Ellsworth, Geary, Jewell, Lincoln, Marion, Mitchell, Ottawa, Republic and Saline.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board appoint Caspers as voting delegate and Czapanskiy as alternate for the KWORCC Annual meeting.

Diana Gering, Health Administrator presented a Memorandum of Agreement between Cloud County and Republic County Health Departments. On a motion by Engle, second by Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Memorandum of Agreement between Cloud County Health Department and Republic County Health Department from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. The quarterly payment reimbursement to Republic County will be $284.88.

Monthly Department Head meeting was held at 10:00 a.m.

Lea Throckmorton, Clerk of the Court reported routine business, they were working on Electronic Filing, working with the Court reporter and gave a breakdown of the dollars that stay in Cloud County for Court Collections at the request of Czapanskiy.

Pat Gerhardt, River Valley Extension District reported they were holding Parenting & Caregiver classes.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported routine business, they were continuing to patch, doing ditch and culvert work and they purchased a dump truck.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds reported routine business and an upset Veteran over the Flags at the Courthouse not being at half-mast on Friday, September 11th.

JoDee LeDuc reported they would be sending a distribution this week and would have one small distribution next month.

Barry Porter, Appraiser discussed the States soil type update.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported an officer graduated from the academy, another would be going, and the jail was keeping full.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported routine business, the Highway Department was working on their road so there may be some temporary inconvenience to citizens, and due to the expense of storage boxes they would be experimenting with using something different.

Diana Gering, Health Administrator reported they were waiting on Flu vaccine and will begin vaccinations the first of October, grants are due October 15th and Home Health was busy with admissions.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk discussed the recent changes to the handbook, KPER’s open enrollment for Employee, Spouse and Children Life insurance, the need to show our employees that they are appreciated and discussed changing the resignation policy.

Czapanskiy discussed the possible purchase of the Health Department building and the option of moving them back to the Courthouse.

Department head was adjourned at 10:30 a.m. and the Board returned to regular session.

Arlene Clayton reported she graduated from the 2004 Shawnee County Sheriff’s Office Citizens Academy and is volunteering at DVACK a couple days a week. They are working on in-prison training and hope to connect with area Sheriff’s offices for training and wants the Health Department to be more active in Mental Health.

The Board recognized the termination of Charles Kemp and Terry Ferguson from the Transfer Station.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the Cloud County Resource Council meeting on Wednesday September 9th and the Chemical Dependency Committee Meeting on Friday September 11th. The Chemical Dependency Committee invites the public to a presentation about men’s violence against women by Don McPherson to be held on September 15th at 7:00 p.m. at the Cook Theatre at Cloud County Community College.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $54,286.10; payroll - $146,749.84 & payroll deductions and expenses - $65,752.37.
On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes with a correction to read: Jim Lowell introduced Hailey Keller as a new employee with the Blade Empire who would be covering the County Board of Commission meetings.

The Board adjourned at 10:50 p.m. until Monday, September 21st.
Regular session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 21, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; and Rob Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire; and Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director.

Rob Walsh, County Attorney reported the Attorney General would be issuing an opinion on the closing of 160th Road between Lark & Key, will review the management letter for the audit, discussed what would be considered a road viewing and the need for a formal Fence viewing request.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported there were 50 out of county and 19 in county inmates. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Chairman sign the Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Emergency Response/Mutual Aid with Cloud County Community College.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2015-29 Ordering Preparation for Tax Foreclosure Sale.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator discussed a possible speed limit change over the Dam on Plum Road; the possible change in road surfacing for N 30th Road and Gold Road; the possibility of working with an adjacent county doing resurfacing; the trees on N 30th that need to be trimmed or removed and FEMA funds.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director reported documentation was not submitted timely therefore funds are not reimbursable, but there was a chance of an appeal. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board nominates approved the chairman signing the Promulgation of a County Emergency Operations Plan (CEOP) with the intention of saving lives and protecting property in the event of a major emergency or disaster.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board nominates Gary Caspers to serve as voting delegate and Bill Czapanskiy as alternate at KCAMP’s Annual meeting on November 4, 2015.

The Board, Thoman, Marks & Keller walked through the Old Jail.
Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended a meeting at the Law Enforcement Center with Tom Richards and representatives of Surety – Westchester Fire Inc. Co and Appletech on Thursday September 17th. Commissioner Caspers reported he attended KNCK’s Roundtable Friday September 18th. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Juvenile Detention Committee meeting in Mankato on September 16th.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $2,873.12.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board adjourned at 10:55 a.m. until Monday, September 28th.
Regular session of the September meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 28, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; and Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire; and Gary Reynolds.

Commissioner Engle said he wanted it stated in the minutes as official record that he did not say “if a bond payment could be passed, a storage room could be built at the new county jail” as was reported in the 9/22/2015 addition of the Blade Empire.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator talked to the state and FEMA funds are not available. The Board acknowledged the resignation of Travis Mills effective September 24th.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the salary change for Kristine Price from $12.70 to $14.09 due to her introductory period ending.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2015-30 changing the bridge weight limit on Bridge No. 8533, located between sections 23 and 24 T8S, R5W, which spans the Solomon River.

Gary Reynolds discussed the trees on 130th Road south of 5 corners and the condition of the blacktop coming into town from 5 corners; Caspers will talk to Asch.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator discussed an area of the floor at the Health Department that seems soft. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a 10 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel including Gering and Thoman.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2015-31 voiding check #135814 for $1,000 to Kansas Secretary of State and Check #130881 for $71.24 to Legal Shield due to not being received by the vendor.


On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board signed a new agreement with NCK Environmental, LLC for Sanitary System Inspections beginning October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016.
On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman signing the Management Representation Letter in connection to the financial statements for year ended December 31, 2014.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board updated the Resignation / Final Pay policy for Cloud County stating:
An employee who wishes to resign voluntarily shall submit a letter of resignation to his/her department head/supervisor two (2) weeks prior to the effective date. The resignation should be in writing, signed, and dated. The original resignation will be forwarded to the County Clerk for inclusion in the employee’s personnel file. The employee will be compensated at his/her hourly rate for all hours worked on the next regular payroll date. The employee will be compensated at his/her hourly rate for all accrued but unused leave days following the aforementioned payroll date. In order to receive payment for accrued but unused leave upon separation, proper notice must be given. Proper notice is defined as ten business days.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved abatements 2015-229 thru 2015-354 totaling $12,655.16.

Commissioner Engle asked Commissioner Czapanskiy to talk to Tom Richard about the roof repairs and estimates needed at the Health Department.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended a special Cloud County Resource Center Meeting. Commissioner Caspers reported he participated in a KWORCC teleconference Thursday September 24th. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the NCK Regional Planning Commission Thursday September 24th in Beloit.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $305,593.77; payroll - $147,081.75; payroll benefits/deductions - $186,679.37.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board adjourned at 10:45 a.m. until Monday, October 5th.
COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
OCTOBER 5, 2015
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 5, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; and Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire.

Rob Walsh, County Attorney reported he was waiting on the Attorney General’s office for an opinion on the closing for 160th Road and they also won an appeal.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman signing the Estoppel Affidavit providing information to NCK Title, LLC.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman signing the Subordination agreement by CoBank, ACB, the Cloud County Cooperative Elevator Association, Inc., The Bennington State Bank and Farm Credit Leasing Services Corporation.

Brain Marks, Sheriff reported they were housing 55 out of County inmates, discussed the Midwest Commercial Laundry Application and reported Eric Voss with the Concordia Fire Department did training with the staff and set up a maintenance schedule.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a 10 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel with Thoman included.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they were working on the ditch at the Law Enforcement Center; they patched the road coming into town from 5 corners. Caspers relayed a message from a concerned citizen regarding Noble Road, the Republic County Road & Bridge Budget compared to Cloud County’s and grading.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator reported they started Walk-in Flu Shots Monday – Friday from 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.; had reviewed her budget and they were looking good for the year. Czapanskiy reported he had talked to Hoods about the toilet problem at the Health Department.

Czapanskiy reported he talked to a few Rural Fire Districts and gave them copies of another Counties resolution regarding controlled burns. The Board wants input from those concerned before moving forward with any type of procedures.
Sales tax for September was $63,938.87 compared to September 2014 was $64,729.97.

The Board recognized the hiring of Karla Jean Brzon as Transport Driver at a wage of $16.18 for Comm. Corr./JV Services.

The Commissioners will attend the Elm Creek to Summit groundbreaking event on Thursday, October 8th.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the LEPC Meeting on Wednesday October 30th in Concordia.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $13,104.78.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board adjourned at 10:30 a.m. until Monday, October 12th.
COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
OCTOBER 12, 2015
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 12, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer; Judy Lambert, County Register of Deeds; Mike Hake, Transfer Station Director; and Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire, Bruce Johnson, Concordia Police Chief; and Pat Gerhardt, River Valley Extension.

Rob Walsh, County Attorney reported he was waiting on the Attorney General’s office for an opinion on the closing for 160th Road.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they were housing 54 out of County inmates, the old generator has been removed from the property and talked to an area farmer about the possibility of farming adjoining land of the LEC’s.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they were finishing the ditch at the Law Enforcement Center; discussed Noble Road and plan on overlaying it in 2016; should be receiving federal exchange funds and work that would need to be done north of Clyde and east of Aurora. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a 5 minute executive session regarding non-elected personnel, including Thoman.

Mike Hake, Transfer Station reported they had a landfill inspection and everything looks good and he had made all the necessary corrections to the Kansas Department of Labor’s Safety inspection from July. He’s been contacted by a Republic County Teacher that would like to bring a class to see how the Transfer Station operates and is working on the 120 day Cover. Additionally he reported that items were being removed from the Transfer Station’s iron pile. In Recycling Center business he reported concerned Employee’s from last weeks Commission report published in the Blade Empire. He was told there was not any plan to sell the Recycling Center. Hake also asked if a decision had been made on funding the Recycling Center. No decision has been made.

Department Head-

Pat Gerhardt, River Valley Extension – Normal Fall activities. Hiring a Horticulture Agent.

Brian Marks, Sheriff – Experiencing a lot of burglary’s in the County; likely in conjunction with the area meth problem. Will be attending the Annual Sheriff’s Conference next month.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator – Routine patching, working on LEC ditch and down one employee.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director – Working on 120 day cover, Republic County Class will have a tour.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser – NG911 being completed by the City. Bruce Johnson, Police Chief discussed the NG911 and the increased accuracy and capabilities it should bring. Commissioners received a letter commending the Appraisers Office staff for the work they have done.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator - Flu Shots are now available on a walk in basis at the Health Department; will be available at the Health Fair and on October 31st from 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. and November 9th from 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. at the Health Department. Shots are $47.50 for those with no insurance. Wanted to thank Bob Pumarlo for helping trim up the flower beds at the Health Department.

JoDee LeDuc, County Treasurer – Will complete the final tax distribution for 2015 and plans on printing tax statements before the end of the month.

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds – Routine business and looking at fee changes for next year. She has also been commended for getting things available electronically.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk – Working on setting levies and working on a KAC Salary Survey.

Commissioner Czapanskiy - Received a newspaper clipping from Wichita about individuals purchasing property on tax sales.

Commissioner Engle – Attended the KAC Legislative Policy meeting where they discussed the agenda for the 2016 policies and the restrictions on counties taxes and how it ties down counties and cities on the funding they need.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman signing the Grant request for the Health Department WIC Clinic.

Commissioner Engle reported he attended the KAC Legislative Policy Meeting in Salina on Friday, October 9th. All Commissioners attended the ITC Ground Breaking Event on Thursday October 8th.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $10,314.48, Payroll - $143,748.35; Payroll Benefits & Deductions - $66,828.13.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board adjourned at 10:55 a.m. until Monday, October 19th.
Regular session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 19, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Brian Marks, Sheriff.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire, Toby Nosker, KNCK; Alisha Bond, Group Benefit Specialist.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they were housing 53 out of county inmates, they assisted the city with a search warrant and that food service was working well. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a 5 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel with Marks and Thoman.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman to sign the audit agreement with Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris Charted for year ending December 31, 2015.

Senator Bowers called and invited the Board and Clerk to join her in attending the Russell County Courthouse Opening at 1:30 p.m. today. Engle inquired about the upcoming Tax Lid bill and the possible change in the start date. Bowers indicated she had only heard rumors and would likely know more when session started in 2016.

Alisha Bond, Group Benefit Specialist reviewed the County’s Health Insurance renewal. The Renewal is favorable and below industry trend. Also discussed separating the Health Insurance Plan from the Dental due to the possible “Cadillac Tax” that could be coming, employees coverage would not be affected by this process and discussed Wellness programs. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing the Chairman to sign the Grandfathered Plan Attestation and 2016 Renewal for Coverage and the Superior Vision Benefits Renewal.

The Board, Clerk & Keller toured the Courthouse to evaluate what space was available and how it was being used to help determine if moving the Health Department to the Courthouse would be feasible.

The Board recognized the resignation of Darrell Kearn from the Recycling Center effective October 29, 2015

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the Crunch for a Cause Fundraiser at Taco John’s for the Cloud County Resource Center on Monday, October 12th and the Cloud County Resource Council meeting on Wednesday, October 14th.
The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $17,541.50.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes with an addition that Commissioner Czapanskiy attended the Chemical Dependency Meeting on October 9th.

The Board adjourned at 12:02 p.m. until Monday, October 26th.
Regular session of the October meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 26, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff, Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; and Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire, Toby Nosker, KNCK; John & Joyce Hood & Luke Hood, Casselrock, Inc.; and Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney reported he has not received the Attorney General’s opinion on the closing of 160th road between Key & Lark. He received a letter from Tom Richard requesting a fence viewing and would contact the other landowner involved.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they housed an average of 54 out of County inmates the past week, were housing 53 out of county today and had a total of 79 inmates. There were several fires last week but the weekend was quite. The LEPC meeting will be in Miltonvale on Wednesday October 28th.

Luke Hood and John & Joyce Hood with Casselrock, Inc. discussed the agreement they have with the County relating to the building the Health Department is located in. They believe that Erickson’s, who did the roof originally, quote of a new membrane for $4,300.41 is the most appropriate. Stated that building purchase price through October is $108,922 and would they consider a 12 month term on a new lease agreement. Health Department Administrator, Diana Gering presented the Board with a list of items they would need for a move.

Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp Director reported they have 5 points of interest in the former Alco Building but was not comfortable discussing any additional details in a public meeting. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a 10 minute executive session to discuss Confidential Data including Hutchinson.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported this would be the last week for the mowers and that the Ames Road west of 250th should be open today. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing an easement for Black Hills Energy for a gas line at 1037 N 210th Road. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved allowing two requests for easements from Twin Valley Telephone to bury fiber on Iron starting at 210th road going west 3,200 feet to the cell tower and starting at Iron going north on 145th to Key road then east 300 feet to the cell tower.
Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported that the 120 day cover is completed, he attended the SWANA Conference last week and discussed the metal pile at the Transfer Station to clarify what is acceptable. The Board realizes that several people are using items from the pile to help other citizens, but does not want to see the use of the pile to be resold for personal gain. Citizens should stop at the office before removing items for County property. The Recycling center shipped out 50,075 lbs of cardboard and 43,020 lbs of shredded paper. An area company contacted Hake about allowing their employee currently on light duty to volunteer at the Recycling Center. They did not have any work for him but wanted him to spend his time helping a resource in Cloud County. The individual would be covered for liability with his employer. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a 15 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel with Hake.

The Board may attend the 4-H recognition meal on November 1st and will participate in Community Connections at the KNCK Studios on Friday October 30th.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the KWORK Board of Trustees meeting Thursday October 22nd. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Juvenile Detention Committee Meeting on Wednesday October 21st.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $292,782.12. Payroll - $143,067.47. Payroll Deductions & Benefits – $177,316.44

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

The Board adjourned at 11:09 a.m. until Monday, November 2nd.
Regular session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 2, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Brian Marks, Sheriff; and Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire; Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp; Michael Haley; and Charlie Hanson.

Charlie Hanson shared his perspective of the fencing dispute with an adjoining land owner. The Board will look for guidance from the County Attorney and what steps need to be taken.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they housed an average of 53/54 out of County inmates the past week. He also stated that an inmate was released by the Judge to take care of medical issues, he did not escape. Part of the release included a return to the Law Enforcement Center following the procedures and if that was not followed a warrant would be issued. A warrant has been issued. Releasing the inmate from custody saved the county paying for the inmates medical procedure(s).

Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp Director presented an offer on the former Alco Building property. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a 15 minute executive session including Hutchinson to discuss Confidential Data. On a motion by Engle, second by Commissioner Caspers, 2-0 vote (Czapanskiy, while in support of the motion, abstained due to a conflict of interest) the Board accepted a contract proposal from Cloud County Coop. Cloud County Coop Elevator Association intends to operate the building as a Warehouse/Distribution Center for Purina Feeds and Farm supply materials that would be shipped in. The Business plan calls for more than $55,000 of improvements for over-head doors and office/restroom areas. They project the first year of operation would move 7,500 tons of product (roughly 300 semi loads) of Feed Products, with future expansion. The 5 year lease purchase plan includes Cloud County Coop paying the taxes on the building as if it were a $150,000 structure with all improvements added on to the taxable base. Lease payments are to be made in the amount of $5,000 per year for the next five years; on the sixth year there would be a balloon payment of $125,000 due if Cloud County Coop did not add a total of six new employees. If more employees were added than required, the City/County would forgive the balloon payment. On option of gifting the facility back to the City/County, if Cloud County Coop needed to look into the North Development District to increase the size of their operation, is also included. The City of Concordia will vote on the proposal at their next meeting.

Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager reported his department was getting ready for winter. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved hiring Devin Walker as part time custodian at a rate of $8.25 an hour effective November 3rd.
On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved continuing to provide Blue Cross Blue Shield Health & Dental insurance on a 85% County 15% Employee split for 2016. Rates for 2016 will be: Employee - $476.91 ($405.37 / $71.54); Employee/Children - $996.80 ($847.28 / $149.52); Employee/Spouse - $1,010.52 ($858.94 / $151.58); Employee/Dependent - $1,544.06 ($1,312.45 / $231.61).

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved extending the lease agreement with Casselrock, Inc. with the previous guidelines for one year to allow time to research additional possibilities.

Sales tax for October 2015 was reported as $62,904.03 compared to $62,553.21 in 2014.

The Board recognized the termination of Danny Marcotte from the Transfer Station effective October 26th.

The Board will be attending the Kansas Association of Counties Annual meeting November 3rd, 4th, & 5th in Wichita.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Cloud County Health Needs Assessment Meeting on Wednesday October 28th. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the North Central Regional Planning Commission meeting in Beloit on Thursday October 29th and the 4-H Awards Banquet on Sunday November 1st. The Board participated in Community Connections at the KNCK Studio’s on Friday October 30th.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $3,395.47.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented from the October 26th meeting.

The Board adjourned at 10:50 a.m. until Monday, November 9th.
Regular session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 9, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director; and Robert Walsh; County Attorney.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire; Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp; Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager; Lea Throckmorton, District Court Clerk.

The Cloud County Board of Commissioners would like to express their gratitude to Cloud County Veterans for their service to our Country.

Rob Walsh, County Attorney will review the proposed lease agreement with Casselrock, Inc. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved a 30 minute executive session to discuss attorney/client privilege including Walsh, Tom Richard and Wyatt Hoch, Foulston Siefkin LLP by conference call.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-33 voiding check #137012 from October 26, 2015 and check #136986 from October 12, 2015 to Reynolds Law Office, PA due to being notified by the vendor the garnishment was paid off.

Department Head Meeting:

Judy Lambert, Register of Deeds – Routine business, preparing for 2016 changes.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator – Done patching for year. Low on material, spent about what wanted to spend for the year. Asked about the Medical Insurance refund and if any wage increases in 2016. No increase in wages was budgeted and the refund was deposited in the Medical Premium Fund for future use.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director – KDHE visited. There cannot be salvaging from the CD Pit and they will report back to him about the Iron Pile. Prices are down at the Recycling center so they are storing bales until prices go up. The Transfer Station and Recycling Center will be closed Saturday November 28th.

Barry Porter Appraiser – Expressed concern with CIC, the County’s Computer Software System and the online portion of the program. The Board asked that a letter be drafted and they would sign it.
Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator – Monday, the 9th was the last Flu clinic with about 190 does left. Over 1,000 flu shots have been given.

Lea Throckmorton, District Court Clerk - E-filing that started in August has increased greatly. When filing is done electronically a paper case file is not created. Some teleconference has been done with the Law Enforcement Center but doesn’t always work well. State revenue is down and there is a potential 10% cut.

Shella Thoman, County Clerk – Open enrollment for benefits will be November 19th. Paper work needs to be turned in by November 30th. Tax Levies are set and the Treasures office have printed tax statements and are working on getting them folded & stuffed. Asked the commissioners to consider giving employees a day of comp in exchange for collecting items for the food bank. Briefly discussed what ideas where given to the County for a Wellness program.

Bill Czapanskiy – On Community Connections challenged area farmers to contribute to the Food Bank. He will donate $1 a load to the Food Bank and encourage other farmers to do the same. Commissioners Caspers & Engle will match Czapanskiy’s donation.

Regular Session:

Diana Gering, Health Administrator discussed the Lease Agreement with Casselrock, Inc. and the phone system that was scheduled to be installed in 2016. The Board doesn’t want to see the money spent to have the system installed with the potential of moving, but also don’t want the residents to have issues contacting the Health Department like they have been. No action was taken.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported a request for a stop sign at 190th & Noble Road following an accident at the intersection. He felt like there were more important places to have signs installed. No action was taken.

Larry Uri, City Attorney discussed the contract for the former Alco building and appreciated how well the City and County worked together on the building. He will make arrangements for Title Insurance and the Deed change. Conditions of railroad tracks within City limits were also discussed. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Contract for the Sale Real Estate between City of Concordia and Cloud County as the Sellers and Cloud County Cooperative Elevator Association, Inc. as the Buyer for the real estate commonly known as the ALCO property, located at 1401 East 6th Street, Concordia, KS.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved re-appointing Dan Gerber to the North Central-Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging Board to begin January 1, 2016 and expiring on December 31, 2017.

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator called in and reported they were housing 62 out of county inmates with a total of 85.

The Board has challenged the Cloud County employees to raise 1,000 items for the Food Bank. Employees that prefer to make a cash donation can also do that with each dollar
counting as an item. In conjunction with the Challenge employees will receive 8 hours of comp time to be used between December 13th and March 1st, primarily on December 24th. Full time employees will receive 7 ½ or 8 hours and Part-time employees will receive 4 hours.

The Board attended the Kansas Association of Counties November 3rd - 5th.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $3,395.47; payroll - $142,388.45; payroll benefits & deductions - $63,312.68.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented from the November 2nd meeting.

The Board adjourned at 12:19 p.m. until Monday, November 16th.
Regular session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 16, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; and Robert Walsh; County Attorney.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire; Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager; Lowell Thoman; Misti Slate; and Madison Ritterling.

Rob Walsh, County Attorney reviewed the proposed lease agreement with Casselrock, Inc. and from the legal point approved the agreement. He’s continuing to look into the road closing of 160th between Key & Lark. Commissioner Czapanskiy updated Walsh on his visit with Tom Richard & Charlie Hanson in regards to a fence issue. Walsh said they had a complaint that an officer had been rude and unprofessional during a traffic stop. The body camera video was reviewed and found that the complaint was false.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported he attended the Sheriff’s Conference in Wichita last week. They housed an average of 62 prisoners last week and he complimented his staff for the excellent job they have been doing. Food service is working well.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they were done with the ditch at the Law Enforcement Center; it was decided they would seed as well. He received a quote for the lift inspection in the amount of $1,445 and waiting on quotes for the electrical and exit signs. A discussion, including Misti Slate, on the necessity of signs at 190th & Noble ended with signage being installed. Asch will prepare a resolution to install Yield signs.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator presented a Rehabilitation Services Agreement between Cloud County and the Cloud County Health Center, Inc. The agreement state that Cloud County Health Center, Inc. is willing to provide direct rehabilitation services to patients of Cloud County in their home, to furnish consultation and in-service education for the nursing staff of the board, and the therapy evaluations of homebound patients for who the home health agency has physician orders. The agreement is in effect from November 16th, 2015 and shall be continued as herein set or modified as agreed upon by the parties. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Rehabilitation Services Agreement.

Larry Uri, City Manager presented a corrected access easement to correct a discrepancy in the easement recorded March 23, 2015. The City of Concordia granted Rodney S. Hake & Cynthia M. hake, a Non-Exclusive Easement giving them access to the former Daylight Donuts location. On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Corrected Access Easement.
Commissioner Czapanskiy presented checks he received for the Cloud County Resource Council to Director Madison Ritterling. Czapanskiy donated a $1.00 per truck load to the Food Bank; Commissioners Engle & Caspers matched his challenge. Thoman reported that over 250 items had been collected from Cloud County employees toward their 1,000 item goal for the Food Bank.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing a letter to Computer Information Concepts, Inc. concerning their support services.

The Cloud County employees will have open enrollment for their 2016 benefits through the month of November. Employee meetings will be held on Thursday November 19th at the Courthouse. The employees will also receive a benefit / employment survey at open enrollment.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the lease agreement with Casselrock Inc. for the building located at 910 W 11th Street, Concordia. The lease is for a period of 1 year at a rate of $1,930. Lessee shall pay $133,850 as the total base purchase price with a reduction of 25% total rental paid. Lessee is responsible for insuring the building and for all ad valorem city, state and federal taxes.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved adding language to the worked performed on Cloud County Holidays to read: Your supervisor must approve all hours worked on an observed County holiday.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the Cloud County Resource Council meeting on Wednesday November 11th and the Chemical Dependency Committee meeting on Friday November 13th.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $6,842.76; payroll - $264.00; payroll benefits & deductions - $96.96.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes with the correction from does to doses from the November 9th meeting.

The Board adjourned at 10:42 a.m. until Monday, November 23rd.
Regular session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 23, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; and Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire.

Amber Lindberg, Jail Administrator reported by phone they were housing 52 out of county inmates.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported it would be next week before they would be able to install Yield signs at 190th & Noble. They are working on roads after last week's rains and that Chemical sales have slowed down. Commissioner Czapanskiy asked him to look at a road near Miltonvale. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2015-34 authorizing the installation of yield signs at the intersection known as 190th and Noble Roads.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported that Students and Adults from the Middle school in Republic County toured the Transfer Station and the Recycling Center. They were able to see a trash truck dump and the process that takes place following. They discussed the recyclables that were in the truck that could have been taken to the recycling center. 50,074 lbs. of cardboard was shipped out and another load is ready waiting for a truck. Although prices are low they will need to sell the textiles due to mice starting to come inside and the risk of the load being rejected upon delivery. While the State does not recommend residents salvaging from the iron pile there is no State regulation. The County’s Insurance company strongly advised not to have anyone in it and eventually someone would be injured and will sue the County. Hake was asked about Household Chemical Waste; Cloud County does not accept it because of the permit fee, however Washington & Clay Counties do. Hake asked about the Recycling Centers budget and if a decision had been made on how it would be funded in 2017. After a brief discussion no action was taken.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy unanimous vote the Board approved the hire of Justin Brown as a Heavy Equipment Operator for the Transfer Station beginning December 1st at an introductory rate of $12.33 for 6 months.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator presented 2 classification changes and reported they were still having problems with their phone system. The Board acknowledged the resignation of Debra Samuelson effective November 30th.
On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy unanimous vote the Board approved a 5 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel with Gering and Thoman.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy unanimous vote the Board approved hiring Latisha Day as a Homemaker effective November 30th at an introductory rate of $9.30 an hour for 6 months.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the Annual Meeting for Crossroads RC&D in Miltonvale on Thursday November 19th. Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Cloud Corp Board meeting on Tuesday November 17th and participated in Community Connections Roundtable on Friday November 20th. Commissioner Engle reported he attended the Juvenile Detention meeting Wednesday November 18th in Junction City.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $8,617.06; payroll - $145,717.67; payroll benefits & deductions - $178,074.68.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes with the correction to read. On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Corrected Access Easement.

The Board adjourned at 10:42 a.m. until Monday, November 30th.
Regular session of the November meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on November 30, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; and Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire.

Robert Walsh, County Attorney reported he received a letter from Nels Noel, Attorney representing J. Norlyn Trost in regards to the Order of Vacation dated March 23rd, 2015. Walsh will make some additional contacts in regards to the vacation and a fence dispute.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported they housed an average of 45 out of county inmates last week. The Holiday weekend was quieter than expected, they are still working deer accidents and burglaries. A lead in one burglary case recovered a portion of stolen merchandise.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported equipment operators were out on Friday & Saturday treating intersections, paved roads, bridges, curves and major hills. They are down 1 truck with transmission problems. Asch and 2 supervisors will attend training in Topeka on Wednesday.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved abatements 2015-369 through 2015-392 totaling $4,660.06.

Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the Homeland Security Meeting in Beloit on Tuesday November 24th.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $247,850.31.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board adjourned at 9:58 a.m. until Monday, December 7th.
Regular session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 7, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator and Robert Walsh, County Attorney.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire; and Larry Uri, Concordia City Manager.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported they were hauling rock and gravel and filling holes. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle unanimous vote the Board approved a wage change for Charles Valcoure from $12.63 to $13.69 effective December 13th due to the end of his probationary period.

The Board, Thoman and Asch delivered 919 items to the Cloud County Resource Center. Last month the Board challenged the employees to collect 1,000 items.

Rob Walsh, County Attorney discussed the road closing and fence dispute. Walsh will continue to work on making contacts regarding both situations.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote to sign a letter of support for the Concordia Senior Center in applying for assistance to cover expenses in order to provide public transportation within the City of Concordia.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved joining the National Association of Counties (NACO) for 2016. The annual membership will be $450 and will be replaced with the previous annual membership with the Kansas Legislative Policy group saving the County $765.76 in 2016.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Commissioner Caspers to sign necessary closing documents related to the sale of the “Alco Building.”

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote signing the Warranty Deed with the Cloud County Cooperative Elevator Association, Inc. Larry Uri, City Manager was hopeful that closing would by the end of the week.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved abatements 2015-393 through 2015-409 totaling $1,555.92.
Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the LEPC Meeting in at the Health Department on Wednesday December 2nd. He toured the Law Enforcement Center with Secretary King and Secretary Roberts on Thursday December 3rd and reported they were impressed.

Sales tax for November 2015 was $63,563.28 compared to $59,272.28 in 2014.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $10,594.36; payroll – 145,630.47; and payroll expenses $65,280.97.

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board adjourned at 11:00 a.m. until Monday, December 14th.

The Board had a study session regarding the Recycling Center from 1:30 – 2:45 p.m. Monday, December 7th.
COMMISSIONERS’ PROCEEDINGS
CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS
DECEMBER 14, 2015
UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 14, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Barry Porter, County Appraiser; Brian Marks, Sheriff; Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator; Jerry Collins, IT Director and Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director.

Others attending were: Hailey Keller, Blade Empire; Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp Director; Kim Larson, River Valley Extension; Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director; Everett Ford; and Don Collins.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported $48,750 was billed for out of county inmates for the month of November. All the funds received for out of County inmates is credited to the Law Enforcement Center (LEC) fund to pay for the bonds. They are continuing to work on the PRIA audit and Sedgwick will be coming to check that the LEC is in compliance. Thoman asked about Commissary reimbursing the jail fund for payments made from the Jails budget; Marks believes the reimbursements have been completed. Thoman gave Marks time cards and asked that to comply with the request from the County Auditors that all the department’s hourly employees document when they begin and end working. Marks reported they were doing this on another document and returned the cards; Thoman will confirm with the payroll clerk this documentation is being sent for payroll files.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director presented a printout calculating the dollars that would be collected based on the number of parcels if the Recycling fees discussed last week were to be $11, $12 or $13 yearly. Everett Ford and Don Collins discussed their concerns of fees; a fee would create a higher tax statement for the pieces of property with a low value. For the budget year of 2016 the Transfer Station funds will support the Recycling Center. Fees being discussed are for the 2017 budget year. 2015 and prior funding for the Recycling Center has come from a portion of the General Fund mill levy. Collins additionally said that Cloud County has the best secondary roads in Kansas.

Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp Director presented the Contract for services for 2016 at the same rate as of 2015. Cloud Corp will also provide Small Business Development (SBDC) services costing the County $3,000 yearly. Cloud County previously supported the SBDC at a rate of $14,000. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2016 Cloud Corp agreement for $55,000.

Larry Eubanks, Emergency Preparedness Director discussed the possibility of the position being full time to better serve the County. A full time position would make grant funding available. The State of Kansas mandates the Board to appoint an Emergency Preparedness Director. The Board asked Eubanks to return to discuss the possibility further giving them
time to check if the full time position would be required to make him a Cloud County Employee.

Thoman reported after talking to the County Auditors Friday she will not certify that funds are available on presented vouchers in County General or County Health until funds become available.

Thoman discussed changing the cycle in paying accounts payable to bi-weekly; replacing the current system of paying the majority of accounts payable the first Monday of the month and miscellaneous payments each Monday. The Board’s only concern was the possibility of late fees accumulating. Thoman believes that changing the system will work better than the present system. Currently a vendor could send a statement at the end of the month and won’t receive payment until the beginning of the next month. Several other counties in the area pay bi-weekly and it works well for them. Beginning in January the bi-weekly system will be implemented and will be reviewed for its effectiveness.

The Board asked Thoman to contact the company that does maintenance of the Courthouse Elevators about the possibility of allowing the east elevator to be used between the basement and 1st floor. The east elevator was shut down for public use due to the placement of state mandated court security.

Department Head Meeting:

Lea Throckmorton, District Court Clerk reported the county budget mirrors the states.

Brian Marks, Sheriff reported routine patrol, they were continuing work on burglaries, the jail was running smoothly and they will have a Deputy graduate from the Academy in January.

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator said they were working on hauling rock and working with the rain.

Jerry Collins, IT Director reported in 2016 he will take care of all county computer purchases. Computers will be rotated out every 3 years. Beginning in January the internet speed will be changed from 20 x 20 to 100 x 100 at the same price of $200 monthly.

Barry Porter, County Appraiser received new Ag values and needed to acquire information about the Wind Farm.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste director was concerned about changing the payment cycle for accounts payable and wanted to discuss the employee survey given to employees at open enrollment.

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator, reported routine business and they are still having problems with their phone system.

Kim Larson, River Valley Extension reported the 4-H Director would be moving from the Washington office to the Republic County location and a new horticulturist would be starting in the Washington office.
Shella Thoman, County Clerk reported 919 items were delivered to the food bank on December 7th and had a few more items donated this week. While she was disappointed in not making the 1,000 goal she was happy the Cloud County employees were willing to donate. County offices will be closed December 24th and 25th for the Christmas Holiday. During a brief discussion of the employee survey Thoman reported 42 of the 84 employees to respond felt like their wages were fair compared to the others in the community.

Commissioner Czapanskiy complimented Sheriff Marks on the great job getting out of County inmates and reported concerns from citizens about the cost to tax payers from the out of county inmates. Commissioner Engle reported other jails were able to pay off bonds early that would lessen the burden. Czapanskiy asked the LEC to create a spreadsheet of expenses and income when he took office and believes that the spreadsheet will be an asset preparing budgets in the future.

Additional Discussions: Department head contract renewals to be scheduled before the end of the year. The possibility of a rotation of equipment at Road & Bridge or lease options to keep equipment updated.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved a wage change for Nicole Henderson from $11.55 to $12.15 due to the end of her probationary period effective the payroll period beginning December 13, 2015.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved paying the 2016 Kansas Association of Counties (KAC) dues in the amount of $2,443.27. Payment will be made in 2016.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the Summary of Disaster Relief Determination for Josh Peltier.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing resolution 2015-36 voiding check #135266 dated March 9, 2015 in the amount of $34.56 to Brendon John Asch due to the check not being received.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing resolution 2015-35 voiding check #135313 dated March 9, 2015 in the amount of $36.80 to Kim Pierce due to the check not being received.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2016 Cloud Corp agreement for $55,000.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved resolution 2015-36 voiding checks 135542 dated August 3, 2015 in the amount of $11.80 to Rose Splichal and Check #135313 dated March 9, 2015 in the amount of $36.80 to Kim Pierce due to the check not being received.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved abatements 2015-410, 2015-411 and 2015-413 through 2015-436 totaling $11,564.86.

Commissioner Czapanskiy reported he attended the Cloud County Resource Council meeting on Wednesday December 9th and the Chemical Dependency Committee on Friday December 11th. Commissioner Caspers reported that he’ll be attending the upcoming Kansas Workers
Risk Cooperative for Counties (KWORCC) meeting, within his packet in preparation of the meeting the premiums for 2016 will be reduced $13,000.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $22,197.32.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. until Monday, December 21st.
Regular session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 21, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Brian Marks, Sheriff; and Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager.

Others attending were: Ashley Hutchinson, Cloud Corp Director; Doug McKinney, NCK Regional Planning; Dan Harris and Alice Boscheck, Cloud County Historical Board; Eric Ivey and Jeff Jensen, ITC Great Plains; and Marlene Stamm, NCK Environmental.

Dan Harris and Alice Boscheck discussed a voting representative from the Historical Society on the Cloud County Tourism Board. They currently have a representative on the Board but it is a non-voting position. The voting position is held by an individual that is not on the Historical Society Board. The Commissioners recommended talking to the Tourism Board.

Brian Marks, Sheriff presented 2 new hires for the Law Enforcement Center. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approve hiring Justin Rhudolph as a full time corrections officer at the rate of $13.37 to fill an open position beginning December 21st. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved hiring Victoria Reed as a Part-time corrections officer at a rate of $10.00 an hour December 16th. Thoman reported the Revenue Bond payment due in April would be $116,487.50; when the November payments for housing out of county inmates are received there will be enough funds for this payment.

Marlene Stamm, NCK Environmental gave the Board a quarterly update. She reported that the sanitary code states that all real estate sales will have an inspection but private sales are hard to enforce and wanted the Board to be aware of this. She has not been paid on an invoice from April. If she is not paid after she sends another invoice she would be asking the County Attorney for assistance.

Eric Ivey and Jeff Jensen, ITC Great Plains updated the board on the progress of the substation and requested additional county roads to be added to their Road Maintenance Agreement dated August 24, 2015. Construction is going well with minimal problems, due to the rains the substation construction is a little behind but they should finish concrete work the 1st of the year. Line work will start as early as of the end of January with supplies arriving mid – late January. They are currently looking for space to rent for storage of these supplies. Mid – late February they are expecting the transfer body to arrive by rail into Aurora due to it weighing 480,000 lbs. On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman to sign the change notice pursuant to Road Maintenance agreement dated August 24, 2015.
Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he had a resident complaint on the procedure of serving county roads; his budget was in good shape; gravel will increase from $7.40 to $8.20; and cover material will increase in cost from $8.00 - $9.20 equaling approximately $168 per mile. They are looking at a couple of bridges that will need to be redone, one on the County line and are discussing cost sharing with the adjoining county. Something also needs to be done with their equipment, they like to try to be on a 1 and half year rotation. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approve Resolution 2015-35 allowing the transfer of unused 2015 funds from the Road and Bridge fund to the Special Machinery and Equipment Fund.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2016 employment agreement with Andrew Asch as the County Highway Administrator / Weed Director. No change in salary.

Troy Shepard, Maintenance Manager and the Board discussed expectations from his department and asked for improvements; Shepard believes the east elevator can be programmed to be open to the public from the basement and main floors, Kurtis Bogart should start Wednesday for the Christmas break to help catch up on some maintenance and presented a new hire. On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved hiring Taylor Collette as part-time maintenance at a rate of $8.25 beginning December 21st.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, 2 yes, 1 abstained, to renew the Transportation of Municipal Solid Waste with Owen Trucking beginning on January 1, 2016 and ending on December 31, 2016 at a rate of $416.00 per round trip. The County will subsidize the fuel cost over and above $1.209 per gallon based on the price charged at Leizler Oil on the 15th day of each month for 76 gallon of fuel per round trip.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the contract with Pawnee Mental Health Services to provide mental health services for the citizens of Cloud County for the period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016. The Board levied .799 mills with an approximate payment of $68,875 for 2016.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the Chairman to sign the Estoppel Affidavit for the purpose of providing information to NCK Title, LLC.

The Board acknowledge the resignation of Devin Walker effective November 17th, Kyle Bogart effective December 21st and the termination of Ryan Sothers effective December 14th.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved abatements 2015-438 through 2015-440 and 2015-443 through 2015-446 totaling $415.92.
Commissioner Caspers reported he attended the KWORCC Board of Trustees meeting in Topeka on Thursday December 17th. Commissioner Engle attended the Juvenile Detention Committee meeting in Junction City on Wednesday December 16th.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $16,194.27; payroll - $184,155.41; payroll benefits and deductions - $202,268.95.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. until Monday, December 28th.
Regular session of the December meetings of the Cloud County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on December 28, 2015 in the Commissioners’ room at the Courthouse with Chairman Gary Caspers, Members Gail Engle and Bill Czapanskiy, and County Clerk Shella Thoman present.

County staff attending was: Andy Asch, Highway Administrator; Diana Gering, Health Administrator; Jerry Collins, IT Director; Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director.

Mike Hake, Solid Waste Director reported the Transfer Station was going smooth and discussed the Solomon Valley E-Waste Coalition. The understanding is between Osborne County E-Waste and the participating counties. Osborne County provides E-Waste recycling services, delivering and pick up trailers at a cost of a $1,000 per calendar year. Hake recommended saving the funds or use them for our own county trailer and look into other opportunities for E-waste. Hake will check if Osborne County would take Cloud County’s E-waste recyclables if we were to deliver it when picking up other recyclables.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2016 employment agreement with Mike Hake as the County’s Solid Waste/Recycling Director at a hourly rate of $17.25. (No change in salary.)

Diana Gering, Health Department Administrator reported they have confirmation of payments but have not received the funds to date and discussed personnel duties and services.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2016 employment agreement with Diana Gering as the County’s Administrator of Public Health Services and Home Health Services with an annual base salary of $34,255 plus an additional $10,000 for duties as Health Administrator. (No change in salary.)

On a motion by Commissioner Czapanskiy, second by Commissioner Engle, unanimous vote the Board approved signing the 2016 employment agreement with Gerald (Jerry) Collins as the County’s Information Technology (IT) Director at an hourly rate of $15.25. (No change in salary.)

Andy Asch, Highway Administrator reported he was looking into VisionLink provided by Foley Equipment. VisionLink is a management tool to provide equipment performance information. It provides an overview of machine health, fuel management and working utilization including machine health and maintenance, location and hours, events and user defined alerts. Asch will report back to the Board.

The Board discussed the health department building and office space used in the building and the Courthouse.
On a motion by Commissioner Caspers, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution #2015-36 voiding checks #130078 on June 3, 2013 in the amount of $27.50 to Jerri Higle; #132602 on April 7, 2014 in the amount of $50.80 to William Jackson; and #131447 on December 2, 2013 in the amount of $40.00 to Denise Derochefort-Reynolds as the checks were not received by the vendor.

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved abatements 2015-447 through 2015-465 totaling $3,449.42.

The Board approved the following expenses: accounts payable - $210,526.10

On a motion by Commissioner Engle, second by Commissioner Czapanskiy, unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes as presented.

The Board adjourned at 11:20 a.m.