

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

This Regular meeting was conducted in accordance with 25 O.S §306 (C) (Signed and enacted March 18, 2020). The meeting took place in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room and through teleconference. The public, who are observing social distancing dialed (312)626-6799, the meeting ID is 706 237 079 or at http://zoom.us/j/706237079/ for video. Public comment was made by calling (405)366-0200 to be added to the list.

Sheriff Blake Green led in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Darry Stacy called to order the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Cleveland County Commissioners at 1:00 P.M. this 21sth day of September 2020, in Meeting Room 200 of the Cleveland County Office Building. Linda Atkins, Deputy County Clerk/Secretary, called the roll and those present were:

Darry Stacy, Chairman Rod Cleveland, Vice-Chairman Harold Haralson, Member Linda Atkins, Secretary

Others present were: Assistant District Attorney Kristina Bell, Assistant District Attorney Nate Hales, Alison Vinson, Brenda Hill, Bryan Jenkins, Brian Wint, Sheriff Blake Green, Earl Cox, Leann Clements, George Mauldin, Kathy Singer, Jacob McHughes, John Roberts, Melissa Nies, Joy Hampton, Chief Deputy of Detention Julie Tipton, Laura Smith, Melinda Duke, and Susan McClelland.

After the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 14, 2020, and there being no additions or corrections, Harold Haralson moved, seconded by Rod Cleveland, to **approve** the minutes as read.

The vote was: Darry Stacy, yes; Rod Cleveland, yes; Harold Haralson, yes. Motion carried.

A. Items of Business:

1. George Mauldin, Emergency Management Director, presented the following COVID-19 Updates and Operations within Cleveland County.

As of today, there are 5,620 (5,002) confirmed cases in Cleveland County with 68 deaths. This is an increase of 618 (451) cases with no additional deaths since the last weekly update on September 14.

There are 3,034 (2,385) cases in Norman with 35 deaths. This is an increase of 649 (486) cases with no additional deaths since the last weekly update on September 14, 2020.

There are 892 (945) active cases in Cleveland County, a decrease of 53 (+45), and 490 (639) active cases in Norman, a decrease of 149 (+48).

Deaths have remained relatively low, with only 43 deaths recorded in the past week statewide (52 at last update). There were no deaths recorded in Cleveland County during the past week.

Hospitalizations are up slightly. As of September 18, there were 454 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19 (215 in the ICU). This is an increase of 16 since my last weekly report (September 11, 438 hospitalizations with 195 in the ICU). The seven-day rolling average is 449, up from 436 on September 11.

Hospitals are not in danger of being overwhelmed but available resources have decreased slightly There are 17% (18%) of ICU beds available, and 19% (21%) medical/surgery beds available.

As of September 17, Cleveland County is in the "orange" or moderate risk category with 29.02 new cases per 100,000 populations, up from 28.12 on September 10. This data is taken from cases reported by date of onset of symptoms from September 1st through September 7th. It also includes 259 "recovered" individuals. OSDH plans to change the way the COVID-19 Alert categories are calculated. The first alert with the new calculations is expected to be published during the first week of October.

There are no counties in the normal (green) category; there are 21 counties in the low (yellow) category and 56 counties in the moderate (orange) category.

Craig County has the highest rate in the state with 222.24 new cases per 100,000 populations. Craig County has a population of 14,142 and a total of 497 cases with 122 cases in the past week.

As of September 18, there was a cumulative total of 1,978 (1,711 on 9/10) (898 in DOC) cases and 9 deaths in correctional facilities including prisons, jails, and juvenile detention centers. Of these, 1,634 cases and 7 deaths were among inmates, the remaining 344 cases and 2 deaths were staff members.

The cumulative total at the Lexington prisons is 394 inmates and 47 staff members. There have been 3 deaths related to COVID-19 among inmates. Most of these individuals have recovered. As of September 18, there were 14 inmates and 8 staff members with active infection. At present, we have only 1 case in our jail.

Classen Urgent Care began performing rapid PCR tests on August 31. Since that date, they have performed 1,862 rapid tests, of which 319 were positive. This is a positivity rate of 17.13% (20.23%).

The Lancet published an excellent study on the efficacy of face masks and social distancing in preventing the spread of COVID-19. The study was funded by the World Health Organization and analyzed 172 observational studies from 16 countries on 6 continents. These studies included 25,697 individuals. These studies demonstrated that social distancing and face masks reduce the transmission of coronaviruses by 10.2 and 14.3 percent respectively.

Chairman Darry Stacy said that the following item numbers, 2 through 10, are **ConsentItems** and are routine in nature: Harold Haralson moved, seconded by Rod Cleveland, to **approve** the consent items.

2. Receipt of Tort Claim from Donald Allen Cory.

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- **3.** Payment of Invoice #25580 from Rieger Law Group PLLC in the amount of \$2,943.74 for general legal services.
- 4. Accept agreement between Board of County Commissioners and Firetrol Protection Services effective September 15, 2020 through September 14, 2021 in the amount of \$2,385.00 for the inspection/testing of equipment and/or systems located at the Cleveland County Courthouse.
- 5. Approve the August 2020 Monthly Reports of the following Officers:
 - a. Bryant Rains, County Election Board Secretary
 - b. Tammy Belinson, County Clerk
 - c. Jim Reynolds, County Treasurer
 - d. Douglas Warr, County Assessor
 - e. Marilyn Williams, Court Clerk
 - f. Blake Green, County Sheriff
 - g. Jackie Kanak, Health Department
- 6. Transfer of Erroneously deposited funds that were deposited into Health M&O Account 105265-54000 and should have gone into the Healthy Living Block Account 105267-55000 in the amount of \$200,000.00.
- 7. Contract between Cleveland County Health Department and SourceOne Management Services, Inc. effective October 4, 2020 through October 3, 2021 in the amount of \$2,085.00 per month for the Norman location and \$1,475.00 per month for the Moore location for janitorial services.
- 8. Resolution for Disposal of the following piece of equipment from the Cleveland County Court Clerk's Office. This item was traded.
 - a. Wasp Barcode Reader, J220-522

- 9. Review, Audit, and Approve or Disallow Blanket Purchase Orders submitted. A report will be available for distribution at the meeting or may be obtained from the County Clerk.
- 10. Review, Audit, and Approve or Disallow claims for Payment of Personal Services, Travel, Maintenance & Operations, and Capital Outlay. A report will be available for distribution at the meeting or may be obtained from the County Clerk.

The vote was: Rod Cleveland, yes; Harold Haralson, yes; Darry Stacy, yes. Motion carried.

END OF CONSENT DOCKET.

- B. During **new business** a matter which was not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting was discussed; therefore, Rod Cleveland moved, seconded by Darry Stacy, to **approve** the CTCL COVID 19 Response Grant Application for Election Expenses.

 The vote was: Harold Haralson, yes; Darry Stacy, yes; Rod Cleveland, yes. Motion carried.
- C. No Commissioner's discussions about County Business at this time.
- **D**. There were no **comments** made by the **Public**.
- E. There being no further business to come before the Board, Rod Cleveland moved, seconded by Harold Haralson, that the meeting is **adjourned** at 1:11 P.M. The vote was: Darry Stacy, yes; Rod Cleveland, yes; Harold Haralson, yes. Motion carried.

(Clerk's Note: Agenda was posted on September 18, 2020, @ 10:17 AM.)

Darry Stacy, Chairman

ATTEST:

Tammy Belinson, County Clerk and Secretary to the Board

Minutes prepared by:

Links Atkins