



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 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.

Commissioner Rod Cleveland 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 19th day of October 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, Sheriff Blake Green, Sarita Scott, Bryan Jenkins, Brenda Hill, George Mauldin, Jacob McHughes, Melissa Nies, Laura Smith, Melinda Duke, Chief Deputy of Detention Julie Tipton, Undersheriff Kent Richie, and Susan McClelland.

After the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 13, 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. Old Business:

1. Upon the recommendation of Melinda Duke, Darry Stacy moved, seconded by Rod Cleveland, to **award** as per bid summary to Victory Supply and Bob Barker Company, Inc., for **Bid #SHE-1966** – One-Year (1) Non-Encumbered Contract for Inmate Clothing and Sandals for the Cleveland County Detention Center. The bid term will be from November 7, 2020 through November 6, 2021.
The vote was: Rod Cleveland, yes; Harold Haralson, yes; Darry Stacy, yes.
Motion carried.

B. 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 7,625 (7,168) confirmed cases in Cleveland County with 85 (82) deaths. This is an increase of 457 (633) cases with two additional deaths since the last weekly update on October 13.

There are 3,971 (3,765) cases in Norman with 42 (41) deaths. This is an increase of 206 (294) cases with one additional death since the last weekly update on October 13, 2020.

There are 969 (905) active cases in Cleveland County, an increase of 64 (47) and 452 (425) active cases in Norman, an increase of 27 (23).

The number of deaths has increased in the past week with 69 deaths recorded statewide up from 53 at last update. There were three (five) deaths recorded in Cleveland County during the past week.

Hospitalizations are near an all-time high. As of October 16, there were 722 (691) individuals hospitalized with COVID-19 (289 in the ICU). This is an increase of 31 (126) since last week. The seven day rolling average is 696, up 60 since last week.

ICU availability has increased slightly. There are 13% (123 of 981) of ICU beds available up from 11% last week. Available medical/surgery beds available have decreased from 21% last week to 18% (1,063 of 5,943).

As of October 15, Cleveland County is in the “orange” or moderate risk category with 30.3 new cases per 100,000 population, up from 23.5 on October 8.

Ellis County is in the normal (green) category with no new cases reported. Seven (6) counties are in the low (yellow) category and the remaining 69 (70) counties are in the moderate (orange) category.

Kiowa County has the highest rate in the state with 67.3 new cases per 100,000 population. Kiowa County has a population of 8,708 and a total of 151 cases with 36 new cases in the past week.

As of October 15, there were a cumulative total of 3,211 cases and 19 deaths in correctional facilities including prisons, jails and juvenile detention centers. Of these, 2,672 cases and 17 deaths were among inmates, the remaining 539 cases and 2 deaths were staff members.

As of October 16, there were 53 (23) inmates and 12 (5) staff members with active infection in the Lexington prisons.

At present, we have 39 inmates who have tested positive for COVID-19 in our jail, up from 36 last week.

Classen Urgent Care began performing rapid PCR tests on August 31. Since that date, they have performed 4,616 (4,160) rapid tests, of which 741 (686) were positive. This is a positivity rate of 16.05% (16.49%).

The statewide positivity rate is 8.3%.

The rapid PCR test kits are in short supply. There will be only 68 boxes of 24 kits (1,632) available statewide next week.

National Comparison: (all states + DC)

Total number of reported COVID-19 cases:

Oklahoma ranked 25th California is highest, Vermont is lowest.

Cumulative reported cases per 100,000 population:

Oklahoma ranked 19th (17th last week), Louisiana is highest, Vermont is lowest.

Total deaths:

Oklahoma ranked 33rd, Texas is highest, Vermont is the lowest.

Death rate (per 100,000):

Oklahoma is ranked 39th (38th last week), New Jersey is highest and Alaska is the lowest.

Excess Deaths:

(Weekly Epidemiology and Surveillance Report, October 9 to October 15)

Between April 1 and October 3, Oklahoma has recorded 10 weeks with excess deaths.

We had six weeks of excess deaths in January and February of 2018.

The number of deaths in the United States through September 2020 is at least 10% and likely 13% higher than it would have been if the coronavirus pandemic had never happened, according to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention data. Conservatively, that's at least 224,173 deaths and probably as many as 279,700 deaths above what was expected (as of Oct. 16), just for the first nine months of the year. That's 24,000 to 79,000 extra fatalities above the number of deaths attributed to COVID-19 (Current U.S. deaths: 219,674).

Chairman Darry Stacy said that the following item numbers, 02 through 08, are **Consent Items** and are routine in nature: Harold Haralson moved, seconded by Rod Cleveland, to **approve** the consent items.

2. **Renewal** of County Bid #COM-1877 – Lawn Care Services for Cleveland County. All terms and conditions will remain the same. The renewal period will be from November 1, 2020 through October 31, 2021.
 3. **Payment** of Invoice # 25685 from Rieger Law Group PLLC in the amount of \$1,227.76 for general legal services.
 4. **Approval** of Rural Economic Action Plan (REAP) Grant on behalf of Little Axe Fire Department in the amount of \$35,926.21 for extrication emergency equipment.
 5. **Approval** of Allocation Alcoholic Beverage Tax in the amount of \$77,972.69.
 6. **Approve Sale** of property acquired at tax resale of the following properties to the highest bidders:
 - a. Property Description: Pecan Creek Northeast Lot 39 to Ricardo Martinez for \$200.00.
 - b. Property Description: Prairie Creek Addition Lot-1 Detention Pond Blk 10 to Randy Pluto for \$100.00.
 - c. Property Description: Brookwood Village III E125' of Lot 1 Blk 21 to Randy Pluto for \$100.00.
 - d. Property Description: Mountain Ash Blk A Open Space to Randy Pluto for \$150.00.
 - e. Property Description: 27-8-1E. 76 AC PRT NE/4 BEG SW/C E80.58 FT. N2 W251.5 FT. N1 W1639.91 FT. S1903.76 FT. POB to Randy Pluto for \$100.00.
 - f. Property Description: Woodhaven Lot 39A Blk 1 to Randy Pluto for \$300.00.
 - g. Property Description: Heatherfield Add Blk 6 to Randy Pluto for \$100.00.
 - h. Property Description: Alameda Park 1 Blk 5 (Storm Water Detention Facility- All D/E) to Randy Pluto for \$100.00
 7. **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.
 8. **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: Harold Haralson, yes; Darry Stacy, yes; Rod Cleveland, yes.
Motion carried.

END OF CONSENT DOCKET.

C. No new business to present at this time.

D. During **Commissioner's** discussions concerning **County Business**, Commissioner Haralson thanked County Assessor Douglas Warr for his assistance with Item No. 6 and added that he was most helpful.

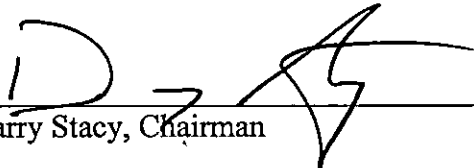
Commissioner Darry Stacy recognized **Julie Tipton** for being named **Jail Administrator of the Year by the Oklahoma Sheriff's Association.**

E. No comments made by the **Public.**

F. There being no further business to come before the Board, Harold Haralson moved, seconded by Darry Stacy, that the meeting is **adjourned** at 1:13 P.M.
The vote was: Darry Stacy, yes; Rod Cleveland, yes; Harold Haralson, yes.
Motion carried.


(Clerk's Note: Agenda was posted on October 16, 2020, @ 10:39 AM.)

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLEVELAND COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**



Darry Stacy, Chairman

ATTEST:



Tammy Belinson, County Clerk and Secretary to the Board

Minutes prepared by: 

Deputy County Clerk

