



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2021

Chairman Darry Stacy called to order the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Cleveland County Commissioners at 1:00 P.M. this 25th day of January 2021, 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, Brian Wint, Bryan Jenkins, Brenda Hill, Melissa Nies, Earl Cox, Leann Clements, George Mauldin, John Roberts, Jacob McHughes, Joy Hampton, Duke Senter, Laura Smith, Alison Vinson, Melinda Duke, Susan McClelland, Carm Harvey, Sean Hultman, Jason Motley, Jose Chavez and Mark Braley.

After the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 19, 2021, and there being no additions or corrections, Harold Haralson moved that the minutes be **approved**. Rod Cleveland seconded the motion.

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

A. Old Business:

1. Upon the recommendation of Susan McClelland, Darry Stacy moved, seconded by Rod Cleveland, to **table** until a later date the awarding and/or rejecting of the bids for **Bid #HWY-1978** – Six-month (6) Non-Encumbered contract to provide asphalt material. The bid term will be from February 11, 2021 through August 10, 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 25,366 (23,922) confirmed cases in Cleveland County with 200 (191) deaths. This is an increase of 1,444 (1,597) cases with 9 (18) additional deaths since the last Monday.

There are 12,034 (11,358) cases in Norman with 106 (100) deaths. This is an increase of 676 (684) cases with 4 additional deaths since the last weekly update on January 19, 2021.

There are 2,369 (2,725) active cases in Cleveland County, a decrease of 356 (-402) and 1,010 (1,198) active cases in Norman, a decrease of 188 (-185) since last Monday.

The average number of new cases statewide has decreased for the second consecutive week. The current 7 day average of new cases in Oklahoma is 2,577 (2,988), which is 411 (1,080) less than last week. In Cleveland County the 7 day average of new cases is 219 (201), an increase of 18 since last week.

The number of deaths has increased significantly in the past week with 299 (233) deaths recorded statewide, 66 more than last week.

Hospitalizations have decreased on each of the last eight reports. As of January 22, there were 1,595(1,866) individuals hospitalized with COVID-19 with 433 (499) in the ICU. The seven day rolling average is 1,755 (1,886), down 131 (-58) from last week.

ICU availability continues to be low, there are 5% of ICU beds available, up from 4% last week (55 of 1,014). Available medical/surgery beds available have increased from 12% last week to 16% (882 of 5,566), with 96% of hospitals reporting on January 22.

As of January 21, 76 counties are in the moderate (orange) category. Cimarron County is in the normal (green) category with no new cases. Cleveland County had 63.2 new cases per 100,000 population, down from 102.6 on January 14.

Alfalfa County has the highest rate in the state with 120.3 new cases per 100,000 population. Alfalfa County has a population of 5,702 and a total of 1,062 cases with 18 new cases in the past week.

The rate of new cases increased in only five counties and decreased in the remaining 72 counties.

Percent of beds that are COVID-19 positive by region (1/21/21):

Region 1 (northwest) – 16.4% (20.3% last week)
Region 2 (northeast) – 32.5% (32.6% last week)
Region 3 (southwest) – 33.2% (35.0% last week)
Region 4 (east central) – 23.3% (27.8% last week)
Region 5 (southeast) – 25.0% (25.8% last week)
Region 6 (central) – 27.2% (29.2% last week)

Region 7 (Tulsa County – 22.2% (25.2% last week)

Region 8 (Oklahoma County) – 35.5% (35.7% last week)

As of today, there are two inmates with active infection in the Lexington prisons both in LARC.

At present, we have six COVID-19 positive inmates in our jail (one last week).

There is a cumulative total of 654 (629) confirmed COVID-19 cases in Cleveland County Nursing Homes and Long Term Care Facilities. There have been 505 (488) recoveries and 71 (68) deaths. There are 78 (73) active cases, 5 more than last week.

The case fatality rate (CFR) in Oklahoma remains at 0.8%. The CFR for the United States is currently 1.7%, the same as last week.

The positivity rate in Oklahoma today is 17.6% (20.5% Last week). 45 states (47 last week) are currently above the recommended positivity rate (5%).

The positivity rate for the United States is 9.09% (10.4% last week) (Johns Hopkins University, 7 day average). The U.S. is ranked 34th of 89 countries for which data is available (37th last week). Mexico is the highest at 58.43% (74.6% last week). Andorra and Fiji are tied for the lowest positivity rate at 0.0%.

National Comparison: (all states + DC)

Total number of reported COVID-19 cases:

Oklahoma ranked 24th (24th last week) California is highest, Vermont is lowest.

Cumulative reported cases per 100,000 population:

Oklahoma ranked 10th with 9,225 (8,025) cases per 100,000 population (9th last week), North Dakota is highest, Vermont is lowest.

Total deaths:

Oklahoma ranked 33rd (33rd last week) Texas is highest, Vermont is the lowest.

Death rate (per 100,000):

Oklahoma is ranked 40th (41st last week), New Jersey is highest and Hawaii is the lowest.

(Weekly Epidemiology and Surveillance Report, January 15 to January 21)

Immunization Summary:

As of January 22, OSDH has received 490,775 doses of COVID-19 vaccine (Pfizer and Moderna). 278,151 doses have been administered of which 35,822 were second injections. In the past week, Oklahoma has received 180,475 doses and administered 80,331.

Vaccination by age group:

18 – 35	12.9% (16.3%)
36 – 49	15.0% (18.9%)
50 – 64	16.7% (19.6%)
65+	55.4% (39.4%)

Female 59.1%, male 40.6%

The AstraZeneca vaccine is expected to be approved for use in the European Union later this week. It could be approved in the United States in two to three weeks. The Johnson and Johnson vaccine, which is a single dose without the need for ultra-cold storage, may be approved by the FDA as early as the end of next week.

Merck has discontinued development of its two COVID vaccines due to low efficacy.

Chairman Darry Stacy said that the following item numbers, 02 through 12, are Consent Items and are routine in nature: Rod Cleveland moved, seconded by Harold Haralson, to **approve** the consent items with the exception of Item No. 10 which the Board will take separately.

2. **Approve** the December 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. Chris Amason, County Sheriff
 - g. Jackie Kanak, Health Department
3. **Resolution for Disposal** of the following item from the Cleveland County Court Clerk's Office. This item was traded.
 - a. G4 800 Mini Desktop, J220-701
4. **Contract** between Board of County Commissioners and Bartley Industries, Inc. for the purchase and installation of electrical conduits and cabling for RV Park Expansion at the Cleveland County Fairgrounds effective February 3, 2021 until such time services have been rendered in the amount of \$173,500.00.
5. **Approve** Amended November 2020 County Clerk Monthly Report.
6. **Resolution for Disposal** of the following item from Cleveland County Information Technology Department. This item will be junked.
 - a. Dell T310 Server, K611-19
7. **Payment** of Invoice #26065 in the amount of \$679.80 and Invoice #26066 from Rieger Law Group PLLC in the amount \$263.68.

8. **Sales Purchase Agreement** between Board of County Commissioners on behalf of Cleveland County District #2 and Warren Cat for the purchase of a CP56B Vibratory Compactor S/N 0P5600303 in the amount of \$111,550.00.
9. **Approve** Amendment to Commercial Services Agreement dated January 20, 2021 between Board of County Commissioners and Cox Business in the amount of \$380.00 per month for National 911 per Direct Inward Dial.
10. **This Item moved to the end of Consent Docket.**
11. **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.
12. **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.

(Return to Item No. 10.)

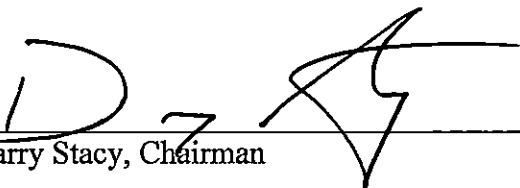
Rod Cleveland moved, seconded by Harold Haralson, to **table** until a later date the approval of Profession Contract with Melissa Houston and/or 929 Strategies for legal and administrative assistance of the COVID-19 Emergency Rental Relief Assistance Program.

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

- C. **No new business** to present at this time.
- D. During **Commissioner's** discussions concerning **County Business**, Rod Cleveland responded to question raised by Commissioner Haralson regarding the employees' Flexible Spending Account and Health Savings Account expenses. Commissioner Cleveland spoke with American Fidelity on this matter; and a meeting of the Employee Benefits Committee scheduled for February 4th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., Chaired by County Treasurer Jim Reynolds, will discuss policy, and then the recommended policy will go before the Board of County Commissioners for final approval.
- E. **No comments** from the **Public** were made at this time.
- F. There being no further business to come before the Board, Rod Cleveland moved, seconded by Harold Haralson, to **adjourn the meeting at 1:15 P.M.**
The vote was: Rod Cleveland, yes; Harold Haralson, yes; Darry Stacy, yes.
Motion carried.

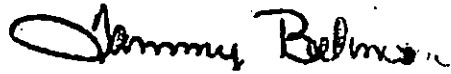
(Clerk's Note: The agenda was posted at 9:14 A.M. on January 22nd, 2021.)

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



Darryl Stacy, Chairman

ATTEST:



Tammy Belinson, County Clerk and Secretary to the Board

Minutes prepared by: 

Deputy County Clerk

