



Sioux County Board Minutes



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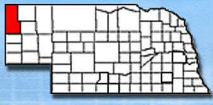
Harrison, Nebraska

November 1, 2017

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room November 1, 2017, at 9:25 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners, Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. J.W. Geiser opened the meeting in prayer. Motion made by Geiser seconded by Downer to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2017 meeting. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 32,629.43; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 187.25; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 179.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,159.72/employee share, 1,463.93; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 16,571.80; Brandt Court Reporting Services, transcription services, 3,534.73; Centurylink, internet, 32.50; Connecting point, copier, 62.10; Crawford Clipper, publications, 269.40; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 174.84; Dawes County Sheriff, housing, 300.00; J. Adam Edmund, mileage, 508.25; Horse Creek Tire, supply, 39.75; David Howell, mileage, 53.50; Lacy Klein, mileage, fees, 242.60; Lincoln County Detention Center, inmate housing, 1,500.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, service, 166.65; Chad McCumbers, room, meals, mileage, 746.44; Midwest Special Services, Inc., prisoner transport, 690.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,449.43; Mobius Communications, phone, 223.87; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, dues, 450.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 800.05; NSA/POAN, conference fees, 100.00; NEA, electric, 545.28; JoElla Norman, mileage, registration, 799.90; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 811.62; Quill Corporation, supplies, 366.48; Ramada Inn, room, 178.00; Region 23 Emergency Management, FY 2018, 15,281.60; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 157.49; Scottsbluff County Treasurer, Probation expense, 909.97; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,767.72/employee share social security, 1,767.72/county share medicare, 413.41/employee share medicare, 413.41/ withholding, 2,235.66; Sioux County Court, fees, 224.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33, fund account, 10,000.00; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 20.35/fee, 25.00/rooms, 963.60/meals, 40.90; Joe Stecher, mileage, 508.25/ meal, 7.05; Totalfunds by Hasler, postage, 500.00; Transfer to Library Fund, 38,588.06; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 85,540.46; USDA APHIS, Wildlife Services, quarterly, 4,799.68; Viaero Wireless, phone, 125.36; Village of Harrison, utilities, 471.25; Westfield Pharmacy, prisoner prescription, 242.47; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 489.53/ meals, 54.32.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 27,942.83; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 26.50; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 228.68; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,869.42/employee share retirement, 1,246.26; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 14,663.38; Centurylink, internet, 49.66; Crawford Clipper, notices, 86.74; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, 1,543.11; Frank Parts, parts, 65.87; Dan Franks, part, 28.49; Herren's, supply, 377.12; Ideal Linen, rugs, 31.38; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel & repairs, 1,532.75; Colleen Mitchell, gravel, 628.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 501.43; NE Machinery, repairs, 541.71; NEA, electric, 62.20; Norm's Napa, parts, 471.26; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 7,647.85; Running Water Gravel, loading & hauling gravel, 2,942.40; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,534.80/employee share social security, 1,534.80/county share medicare, 358.95/employee share medicare,



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358.965/withholding, 1,273.18; Scottsbluff Star Herald, ad, 30.07; State of NE, unclaimed property, 1,107.25; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; Thorpe Thompson, sign installation, 4,161.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 58.63; Village of Harrison, utility, 89.50; Village of Morrill, electricity, 101.58; Walt's Lathe & Machine, repair, 400.41; Scott Wilkins, gravel, 2,550.00; WPCI, drug /alcohol testing, 138.00.

VISITOR PROMOTIONS FUND: Transfer to Visitor Improvement Fund: 3,151.98.

VETERAN AID FUND: Transfer to Relief Fund, 1,031.22.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,452.29; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 34.97; Amazon, books, 251.32; Ameritas, eye ins., 22.28; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 98.03/employee share retirement, 65.35; Centurylink, phone, 142.32; Crawford Clipper, notice, 5.40; Michael Frederick, book, 25.00; Herren's, supplies, 12.98; Ideal Linen Supply, rugs, 23.36; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 20.96; NEA, utilities, 64.80; Security First Bank, county share social security, 86.49/employee share social security 86.49/county share medicare, 20.23/employee share medicare 20.23/withholding, 60.89; State of NE, unclaimed property, 1.02; Village of Harrison, utilities, 61.20.

SIOUX CO ENTITLEMENT FUND: Transfer to General Fund, 222,571.00.

SHERIFF'S GRANT FUND: Transfer to General Fund, 31.29.

INHERITANCE FUNND: Transfer to General Fund, 50,656.13.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 2,929.46; Ag Spray Equipment, supplies, 302.64; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 31.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 197.74/employee share retirement, 131.83; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,025.02; Centurylink, internet, 49.66; Crawford Clipper, ad, 94.50; Gempler's, supplies, 227.03; Herren Brothers, supplies, 246.39; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, repairs, 578.95; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 22.62; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 53.50/ equipment, 28.73; Security First Bank, county share social security, 154.57/employee share social security, 154.57/county share medicare, 36.15/employee share medicare, 36.15.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

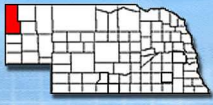
Lacy Klein, County Treasurer submitted road reports to the commissioners.

Sarah Sanderson presented a quote from Patrone's Landscaping for removal of trees and bushes around the courthouse. The board agreed to have the work done by Patrone's. A quote from Fuller Construction for sidewalk repairs was reviewed. The sidewalk was toured, and it was decided to ask for estimates to replace the entire south sidewalk.

Nick Sanderson discussed Absinth Wormwood with the board. The weed may be from hay coming into the panhandle. It has been placed on the watch list. Common Viper's Bugloss and Black henbane were discussed. There is an increase in the Niobrara River flow following spraying for Yellow flag iris.

Sheriff McCumbers updated the board on radios, trainings and recent activities.

Jenny Nixon updated the board on extension activities coming up. She also presented the board with a new contract with UNL for Jeanna Boland. Discussion was held on the position. The contract will be reviewed with County Attorney Edmund.



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Discussion was held on an easement across Morrill Road. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the easement. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Gary Thayer updated the board on the Montrose Bridge project. The annual report to the state and equipment cost report was discussed. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the state report. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Propane bids were opened and reviewed. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept the bids. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Road Foreman Mathis was asked to contact Beguin Propane and Panhandle Coop for further clarification.

Larry Burbach, from Nebraska Machinery met with the board to let them know he would like to continue to do business with the county. He was not aware of the bids taken for the motor grader.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to purchase a 2012 670G John Deere motor Grader from Murphy Tractor for \$155,500.00 after trade-in. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The grader will be financed through Deere Credit with two annual payments of \$81,921.66. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the financing agreement and allow Commissioner Skavdahl to sign off on the financing agreement. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to surplus the 1987 Freightliner truck. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the hire of Jon Scott for the road department. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

The board adjourned from 12:00 to 1:00 for a lunch recess.

Mike Kesselring, representing the Travel & Tourism Board advised the Commissioners that the Sioux County Museum Board and Jill Balcom will be putting together a promotion grant application for signage and for circle tour maps. The Travel & Tourism Board has approved the request to be paid upon completion of the project. The Travel and Tourism Board will receive applications three times a year. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the grant request. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

The West Nebraska Tourism Coalition meeting will be Thursday, November 16 at 10:00-12:00 at the Drifter Cookshack. Mike Kesselring invited all to attend.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:55 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet December 1, 2017.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk