



# Sioux County Board Minutes



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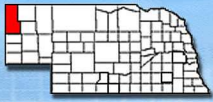
Harrison, Nebraska

January 2, 2018

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room January 2, 2018 at 9:15 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. Hal Downer 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 December 1, 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, 33,088.53; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 187.25; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 179.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,184.29/employee share, 1,479.52; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 16,316.76; Jeanna Boland, supply, 5.88/meals, 19.63; Johnson Campbell, mileage, 64.20; Candlewood Suites, room-NACO Conference, 419.85; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone, 175.85; Connecting Point, copier supplies, 219.50; Crawford Clipper, publications, 156.20; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 174.84; J.W. Geiser, mileage, 410.88; Hampton Inn, rooms-NACO Conference, 1,319.40; Herren's, supplies, 3.29; Jerrod P. Jaeger, court-appointed attorney, 6,426.55; Lacy Klein, mileage, 358.45; Kreider Insurance, officials bond, 286.00; Chad McCumbers, fuel, 21.98; Midwest Connect, supplies, 55.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,226.56; Mobius Communications, phone, 223.87; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, dues, 1,136.59; NE Clerks of District Court Assn., dues, 50.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 791.61; Nebraska Total Office, supplies, 17.49; NEA, electric, 1,445.88; JoElla Norman, mileage, 74.90; Panhandle Research & Extension Center, mileage, 278.94; Patrone's Landscaping, tree removal, 1,620.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 689.66; Redfield Direct, LLC, recording book, 1,136.55; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 75.60; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,799.34/employee share social security, 1,799.34/county share medicare, 420.81/employee share medicare, 420.81/ withholding, 2,202.72; Security First Bank, box rent, 17.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 20.34; Staples, supplies, 162.30; Star Herald, subscription, 187.20; Joe Stecher, mileage, 78.65; Viaero Wireless, phone, 125.84; Village of Harrison, utilities, 303.25; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 478.83/meals, 21.00.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 29,789.64 AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 26.50; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 228.68; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,993.07/employee share retirement, 1,328.69; Bar 4 Bar Enterprises, front bumper replacement, 850.00; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 16,688.40; Centurylink, internet, 50.86; Dale's Tire and Retreading, tires, 1,668.94; Floyd's Truck Center, parts, 3,035.92; Dan Franks, wheels, 42.37; Herren's, supply, 443.23; Ideal Linen, rugs, 31.38; Inland Truck, parts, 1,469.34; Kreider Insurance, insurance adjustment, 114.00; Kustom Rock Crushing, crushing gravel, 16,960.00; Levi's Auto, 2006 Freightliner, 18,000.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel & repairs, 183.90; Morrill Hardware, supplies, 25.98; Morrill Supply, supplies, 210.80; Motor Fuel Division, fuel tax, 365.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 543.62; NE Machinery, repairs, 1,753.13; NEA, electric, 80.97; Panhandle Coop, fuel, 691.31; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 2,943.39; Powerplan, repairs, 281.45; Pro Overhead Door, shop door, 1,550.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,624.20/employee share social



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security, 1,624.20/county share medicare, 379.86/employee share medicare, 379.86/withholding, 1,418.99; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 407.40; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 50.00; Thayer Construction, gravel, 6,504.00; Thorpe Thompson, sign installation, 2,907.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 119.74; Village of Harrison, utility, 86.30; Village of Morrill, electricity, 116.32; WPCI, drug /alcohol testing, 81.50.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,516.40; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 34.97; Amazon, books, 240.77; Ameritas, eye ins., 22.28; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 102.36/employee share retirement, 68.24; Centurylink, phone, 142.37; Crawford Clipper, notice, 5.10; Sunny Edwards, gift, 53.31; Herren Brothers, supplies, 30.97; Ideal Linen Supply, rugs, 25.65; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 22.93; NEA, utilities, 158.08; Security First Bank, county share social security, 90.47/employee share social security 90.47/county share medicare, 21.16/employee share medicare 21.16/withholding, 67.01; Village of Harrison, utilities, 50.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 2,929.46; 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, 50.87; Herren Brothers, supplies, 16.77; NE Weed Control Association, dues, 125.00/conference, 240.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 22.62; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 74.90; 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 financial reports to the commissioners.

Nick Sanderson, Noxious Weed Superintendent submitted his annual control plan. The board reviewed the plan. Sanderson also discussed the need for a cement catch pad to be installed at the weed shop for storage of chemicals.

Sheriff McCumbers updated the board on recent activities. Sheriff McCumbers has hired a part-time employee.

Jenny Nixon updated the board on extension activities coming up.

Motion made by J.W. Geiser seconded by Hal Downer to appoint Joshua Skavdahl as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for 2018. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

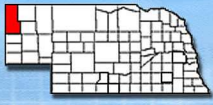
Motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by J.W. Geiser to designate sioux.mipsweb.info as the county's official website. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by J.W. Geiser, seconded by Hal Downer to designate the Crawford Clipper/Harrison Sun as the county's official newspaper for all publications for 2018. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by J.W. Geiser to approve Security First Bank as the county depository for 2018. Upon roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Upon a motion made by J. W. Geiser, seconded by Hal Downer, the following appointments were adopted for 2018.

Aging Agency of Western Nebraska – Rep. Allerton Hal Downer, alternate Joshua Skavdahl; Region 1 Office of Human Development – Rep. Joshua Skavdahl, alternate Allerton Hal Downer; Panhandle Development Disabilities Services –



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Joshua Skavdahl, alternate Allerton Hal Downer; Panhandle Mental Health Board – Rep. Allerton Hal Downer, alternate Joshua Skavdahl; Panhandle Public Health District – Rep. Allerton Hal Downer and J. Adam Edmund; Solid Waste Agency of Northwest Nebraska – Rep. J.W. Geiser, alternate Allerton Hal Downer; Northwest Community Action Board – Rep. J.W. Geiser, alternate Allerton Hal Downer or Josh Skavdahl; Region 23 Emergency Management board – Rep. J.W. Geiser, alternate Allerton Hal Downer or Joshua Skavdahl; Panhandle Resource Conservation & Development Board – Rep. Josh Skavdahl, alternate Allerton Hal Downer. PADD – Josh/Hal

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the following Legal Holidays:

New Year's Day– Monday, January 1, 2018

Martin Luther King, Jr., Day – Monday, January 15, 2018

President's Day – Monday, February 19, 2018

Arbor Day – Friday, April 27, 2018

Memorial Day – Monday, May 28, 2018

Independence Day – Wednesday, July 4, 2018

Labor Day – Monday, September 3, 2018

Veteran's Day (observed) – Monday, November 12, 2018

Thanksgiving – Thursday, November 22, 2018

Friday following Thanksgiving – Friday, November 23, 2018

Christmas Eve – Monday, December 24, 2018

Christmas Day– Tuesday, December 25, 2018

New Year's Day -Tuesday, January 1, 2019

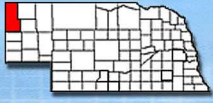
On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by J.W. Geiser to give employees a 3% cost of living raise for 2018. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the purchase of a 2006 Freightliner for the road department. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Thayer updated the board on the Montrose Bridge project.

Road Foreman Mathis advised the board that the main beam on the John Deere 772CH blade was snapped a couple hours previously at the top of Cottonwood Road. Attorney Edmund advised Mathis to contact Tim Kreider to report it to insurance. Mathis had contacted Mike Bateman and Max Miller inviting them to the meeting to discuss a replacement



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for the blade. Discussion was held on purchasing or renting a blade. Repairing the blade or using the spare blade was also discussed.

Upon a motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by J. W. Geiser, the meeting adjourned from 12:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for a lunch recess.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:07 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet February 1, 2018.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk