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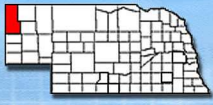
Harrison, Nebraska

December 3, 2018

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room December 3, 2018 at 9:00 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 Downer seconded by Geiser 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 Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2018 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, 35,829.21; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 139.41; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 170.12; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,319.27/employee share, 1,572.93; Cheryl Averill, elections, 134.79; Sarah Bannan, elections, 61.04; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,629.40; Centurylink, internet, 32.50; Crawford Clipper, publications, 527.24; Lela Daniels, elections, 138.06; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; ES & S, elections, 4,378.81; Laurel Ginkens, elections, 121.50; Dalora Sue Gullikson, elections, 148.72; Ruth Hamaker, elections, 126.00; Herren's, supplies, 30.97; Horse Creek Tire, supplies, 42.94; Judy Howell, elections, 198.10; Cynthia Kaan, elections, 165.24; Lacy Klein, mileage, 76.30; Lotton's service & Repair, fuel, 73.40; Chad McCumbers, fuel, postage, meals, 47.46; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,164.98; Mobius Communications, phone, 224.29; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; Brad Munson, supplies, 17.03; NACO, registrations, 500.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 888.44; NEA, electric, 1,140.44; Office Depot, supplies, 213.30; Debby Petersen, elections, 121.50; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 717.70; Print Express, supplies, 142.33; Quill Corporation, supplies, 364.50; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 287.11; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,944.11/employee share social security, 1,944.11/county share medicare, 454.66/employee share medicare, 454.66/ withholding, 2,008.51 Sharon Semroska, elections, 89.44; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 18.71/ postage, 7.83; Joe Stecher, meals, 82.84; Thompson Glass, window, 258.00; Transfer to Library Fund, 1,050.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 6,730.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 27.01; Viaero Wireless, phone, 125.98; Village of Harrison, utilities, 337.94; Vistabeam, internet, 63.95; Rodney Walsh, elections, 135.60; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 81.75/meals, 131.28/ supplies, 32.86.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 29,227.76 AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 26.50; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 206.28; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,955.39/employee share retirement, 1,303.57; Beguin Propane, fuel, 501.50; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 16,280.92; Centurylink, internet, 53.95; Crawford Clipper, publications, 77.42; Dooley Oil, Inc., oil, 2,382.00; Floyd's Truck Center, repairs, 3,069.63; Frank Parts, parts, 51.25; Herren's, supply, 170.57; Ideal Linen, rugs, 72.65; Kaufman Glass, glass, 115.50; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, repairs, 231.00; Morrill Hardware, supplies, 42.76; Morrill Supply, supplies, 33.71; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 526.18; NE Machinery, repairs, 317.11; NEA, electric, 75.83; Office Depot, office supplies, 213.31; Panhandle Coop System, fuel, 418.09; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 7,999.68; Powerplan, repairs, 877.53; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,595.12/employee share social security, 1,595.12/county share medicare, 373.06/employee share medicare, 373.06/withholding, 1,016.42; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 569.06; Elvin Staman, gravel



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crushing, 2,500.00; Sturdevants Auto Parts, parts, 73.90; TDS, garbage, 25.00; Thayer Construction, LLC, gravel crushing, 2,500.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 283.19; Village of Harrison, utility, 91.70; Village of Morrill, electricity, 123.22; WPCI, drug testing, 75.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,092.50; Amazon, supplies, 352.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 73.74/employee share retirement, 49.16; Book Systems, Inc., books, 1,191.00; Centurylink, phone/internet, 152.10; Crawford Clipper, publications, 45.70; Ideal Linen, rugs, 27.73; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 3.40; NEA, utilities, 156.34; OTC Brands, special programs, 76.86; The Penworthy Company, Inc., books, 116.00; Sarah Sanderson, supplies, 20.61; Security First Bank, county share social security, 67.74/employee share social security 67.74/county share medicare, 15.84/employee share medicare 15.84; Village of Harrison, utilities, 55.00.

INHERITANCE FUND: Transfer to General Fund: 54,000.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,305.34; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 31.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 223.11/employee share retirement, 148.74; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,085.78; Centurylink, internet, 53.95; Crawford Clipper, publication, 94.50; Heritage Seed, chemical, 279.00; Herren Brothers, supplies, 67.14; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 26.61; Office Depot, supplies, 213.31; Ramada Inn, Kearney, room, 225.00; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 381.50/ meals, 68.42; Noel Santistevan, meals, 52.11; Security First Bank, county share social security, 177.13/employee share social security, 177.13/county share medicare, 41.43/employee share medicare, 41.43/ withholding, 150.00.

Governor Ricketts has declared Wednesday, December 5, 2018 a day of mourning due to the death of President George H. W. Bush. All Federal and State offices will be closed. It was decided by the Sioux County Board of Commissioners to close in remembrance of President Bush.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve Resolution 2018-3, a resolution to borrow \$54,000 from the Inheritance Fund to cover December expenses. The transfer is considered a loan and will be transferred back to the Inheritance fund prior to May 1, 2019. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Correspondence was read.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to name Highway 20 across Sioux County "Veterans Medal of Honor Memorial Highway". On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

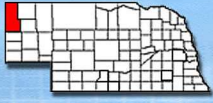
Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Sioux County Treasurer, Lacy Klein provided the board with monthly reports and the current financial status of the county.

Mike Bannan requested "Open Range" signs on Cottonwood Road, and also some gravel and repair on a crushed culvert.

Sheriff McCumbers gave his monthly report.

Jenny Nixon, Jeanna Boland, Kathy Griesse, Laura Button and Jessica Turbiville met with the board in support of the UNL contract for services for Nebraska Extension Assistant – 4-H in Sioux County. Jenny Nixon explained the breakdown of the salary for the assistant position. Kathy Griesse stated that the curriculum is certified with the schools and we need to keep as many things as we can in the county. Jessica Turbiville added that we are not immune to issues that go on in



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our society, even though we are rural. 4-H is a good safe place for youth services. It is a way for our kids to get additional learning. Science is lacking at a younger age. Turbiville stated that it is better to spend our money on our kids than in court fees down the road. John Campbell was reached by phone saying that the program has given a positive effect to Sioux County. The programs teach responsibility that schools and families can't provide. Campbell is thankful to have Jeanna, working with robotics, science and math. Laura Button said that we need the program for the future. 4-H currently has 15-20 enrolled in the program. At least 10 hours of science programming is done with the schools. Chairman Skavdahl asked Jenny to quantify what they are doing to justify the expenditure. Motion made by Geiser to approve the 2018-19 contract with UNL. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Gary Thayer gave an update on the Montrose Bridge. It is mostly done, except for the signs. Chairman Skavdahl asked Thayer to check Cottonwood Road for open range signs.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the Certification of County Highway Superintendent for Gary Thayer. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Gordon Mathis gave a road update. A check was received from the construction company for use of county equipment on the Montrose Bridge project.

The board adjourned from 11:55 to 1:00 for a lunch recess.

Luke Peebles, Wildlife Specialist met with the board to introduce himself.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:22 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet January 2, 2019.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk