

Sioux County Board Minutes



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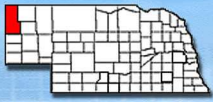
Harrison, Nebraska

November 1, 2019

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room November 1, 2019 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. Hal Downer opened the meeting in prayer. 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 1 and 15, 2019 meetings. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 38,593.12; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 274.75; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,540.66/employee share, 1,729.25; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Johnson Campbell, mileage, ext. board, 78.88; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 104.95; Centurylink, phone, 222.95; Crawford Clipper, publications, 187.90; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; J. Adam Edmund, meals, 92.13/mileage, 580.00; Horse Creek Tire, service, 42.94; Jon Worthman Law Office, court appointed attorney, 320.00; LaQuinta by Wyndham, room, 560.00; Chad McCumbers, meals, 59.02/ hotel, 363.21/ mileage, 352.47.supplies, 143.35/ 152.77; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 3,360.00/ computers, 4,102.97; Mobius Communications, phone, 232.89; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, conference registration, 125.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,003.83; NE Sheriff's Association, fees, 115.00; Neofunds, postage, 500.00; NEA, electricity, 455.97; Jennifer Nixon, postage, 55.85; Outlaw Printers, printing, 138.97; Quill Corporation, supplies, 284.97; Region 23, Emergency Management, civil defense 2020, 17,237.00; Regional West Medical Center, autopsy, 538.30; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 816.24; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 302.59; Scottie's Potties, rental, 75.00; Scottsbluff County Detention Center, housing, 375.00; Scottsbluff County Treasurer, probation, 909.97; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,104.14/employee share social security, 2,104.14/county share medicare 492.13/employee share medicare, 492.13/ withholding, 2,251.74; Sioux County Clerk, maps, 133.75; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 18.71/ postage, 55.00/ rooms, 1,006.44; Staples, supplies, 118.05; Joe Stecher, meals, 20.12; Transfer to Library Fund, 3,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 6,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 113.65; University of NE, State car, 638.03; USDA, APHIS, Wildlife Services, predatory animal control, 6,622.98; Viaero Wireless, phone, 31.43; Village of Harrison, utilities, 475.84; Vistabeam, 63.95; Western Pathology Consultants, PC, autopsies, 1,325.00; JoAnn Wilson, juror fees, 35.00; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 519.10/ meals, 46.97.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 26,258.00; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 462.02; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 203.46; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,706.12/employee share retirement, 1,137.36; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 15,654.24; Centurylink, internet, 57.68; Crawford Clipper, publication, 37.42; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel & oil, 5,787.29; Floyd's Truck Center, supplies, 3,674.66; Frank Parts, parts, 79.99; Herren's, supply, 1,340.99; Hillbilly Industries, gravel hauling, 981.00; Ideal Linen, rugs, 33.95; Inland Truck Parts & Service, repairs, 145.04; Kaufman Glass, repair, 170.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, service, 66.50; Morrill Supply, supplies, 6.67; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 410.87; Nebraskaland Tire, supply, 229.50; NEA, electric, 34.62; Office Depot, supplies, 58.19; Powerplan, repairs, 1,995.54; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 1,091.74; Security First Bank, county share



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social security, 1,396.65/employee share social security, 1,396.65/county share medicare, 326.64/employee share medicare, 326.64/withholding, 724.79; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 256.99; Steve's Truck & Equipment, repair, 120.00; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; Transfer to Special Road fund, 11,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 312.63; Village of Harrison, utility, 94.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 104.29; WPCI, drug testing, 100.00.

FEDERAL FUNDS PURCHASE PROGRAM FUND, DOT FHWA, services, 14.20.

SPECIAL ROAD FUND: Contractor Services, Inc., striping, 11,000.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,434.15; Amazon, supplies, 335.42; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 96.81/employee share retirement, 64.54; Bluff's Sanitary Supply, supplies, 54.99; Centurylink, phone/internet, 147.78; Crawford Clipper, notice, 5.70; Engravers, supply, 27.00; Herren's, supplies, 14.78; Kapco, supplies, 84.06; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 58.29; NEA, electricity, 90.00 Roanco Sprinklers, sprinkler system, 295.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 88.92/employee share social security 88.92/county share medicare, 20.80/employee share medicare 20.80/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 65.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,107.86; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 209.78/employee share retirement, 139.885; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 57.69 Herren Brothers, supplies, 69.97; Lotton's Service, fuel, 146.50; NE Weed Control Assoc., training, 240.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 27.64; Office Depot, supplies, 58.19; Security First Bank, county share social security, 164.74/employee share social security, 164.74/county share medicare, 38.53/employee share medicare, 38.53/ withholding, 150.00.

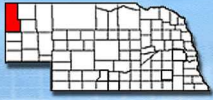
Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Jerry Berggren, Berggren Architects was contacted by phone in order to clarify items in the agreement for the courthouse lighting project. The Architect's Basic Services fee was discussed, and Berggren clarified that the fee would include engineers taking advantage of the trip to investigate the next projects of HVAC and windows, gathering all information in one trip. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the contract and direct Commissioner Skavdahl to execute the contract on behalf of Sioux County. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer provided the board with financial reports for the road department. Klein provided the board with a listing of distress warrants and discussed county tax sale certificates.

Sheriff McCumbers updated the board on recent activities. Sheriff McCumbers has purchased a 2011 Dodge Charger from Merrick County. McCumbers advised the board of costs of upgrades and repairs of the vehicle. McCumbers inquired about the old library space in the courthouse. He would like to use it as an investigative room. The other elected officials are to be consulted before using items in storage.

Discussion was held on the advertisement and job description for Highway Superintendent. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the advertisement and job description. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.



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Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the Sioux County Attorney's office to go forward with the condemnation of Deep Creek and Cobble Hill Roads across Board of Educational Lands and Funds property. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Three bids for propane were opened. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept the bids and award the propane contract to Panhandle Coop for \$1.25 per gallon for 7,000 gallons. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Gary Thayer discussed the Watershed Protection Program with the board. Thayer has contacted Stacey Swinney concerning bridge inspections.

Thayer advised the board that Sue Willey has been working hard on the FEMA project. Deadlines need to be met, and hours and locations are needed from Gordon Mathis before we can move forward.

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

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

Mike Kesslering introduced Kerri Rempp as the new Northwest Nebraska Tourism Director. Sioux and Dawes County have gone together and share a website for this. Kesslering updated the board on the state tourism conference, and future conferences and travel shows as well. Kesslering updated the board on lodging tax collections for Airbnb's. Three grant applications have been submitted to the Sioux County Travel Board. Two grant applications have been received from the Sioux County Historical Society, one for an ad in the Nebraska Travel Magazine for \$515.00, and the other for repairs and repainting of buildings, that request is for \$1,000.00. Katie Reece has requested \$250 for advertising for Shop Hometown Harrison. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the recommendations of the three grants.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:35 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet December 2, 2019.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk