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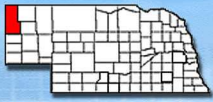
Harrison, Nebraska

May 1, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room May 1, 2020 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. Josh Skavdahl 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 April 1 and 17, 2020 meeting. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 39,842.23; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,628.48/employee share, 1,789.82; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Laura Button, mileage, supplies, 13.10; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 220.80; Crites & Shaffer Law Office, court appointed attorney, 231.16; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Elections Systems & Software, election supplies, 2,408.14; Audrey M. Elliott, court appointed attorney, 859.00; Harrison Fire Department, generator reimbursement, 12,354.39; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,506.40; Mobius Communications, phone service, 224.92; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,066.88; NEA, electricity, 1,478.12; Jennifer Nixon, postage, 55.00; Nossaman Pettitt Law Firm, PC, court appointed attorney, 726.75; Office Depot, supplies, 21.66; Outlaw Printers, supplies, 39.00; Panhandle Research & Ext. Center, state car, 258.32; Quadiant Leasing USA, Inc., postage meter, 500.00; Quill Corporation, supplies, 17.36; Reganis Auto Center, repairs, 371.51; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel 543.43; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 71.99; Scottsbluff Co. Detention Center, jail fee, 320.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,181.57/employee share social security, 2,181.57/county share medicare 510.23/employee share medicare, 510.23/ withholding, 2,355.20; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 20.97; Spartacus Combatives, supplies, 735.00; Staples, supplies, 558.91; Joe Stecher, mileage, 71.30; Team Auto Center, repairs, 126.95; Transfer to Inheritance Fund, by resolution, 50,000.00; Transfer to Library Fund, 2,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 6,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 65,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 62.00; UNL Lincoln, laptop, 1,424.89; UNL Extension – Box Butte County, state car fuel, 52.94; UNL, Lincoln, robotics coach, 333.00; USDA-APHIS, predator control, 6,958.40; Viaero Wireless, phone, 18.57; Village of Harrison, utilities, 339.84; Vistabeam, 63.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 80.50.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 26,641.84; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 235.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 170.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,580.15/employee share retirement, 1,053.41; B & C Steel Corp., supplies, 1,246.56; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 13,565.96; Centurylink, internet, 59.20; Crawford Clipper, publications, 55.58; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, supplies, 3,609.12; Frank Parts, parts, 365.48; Dan Franks, supplies, 99.19; Goshen Diesel, repair, 1,010.50; Herren's, supply, 114.50; Hillbilly Industries, LLC, hauling, 1,976.00; Horse Creek Tire, supplies, 25.52; Ideal Linen, rugs, 33.95; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 341.93; JA Traffic Products, supplies, 678.00; Little Park Ranches, LLC, gravel, 4,203.00; Littrel Construction Co., LLC, hauling material, 1,800.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 201.25; Mark Chrisman Trucking, Inc., gravel crushing, 40,284.48; Morrill Hardware, supplies, 34.49; Morrill Supply, supplies, 96.14; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 468.76; NE Dept. of Transportation,



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supplies, 373.50; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 3,774.02; NEA, electric, 145.17; Panhandle Coop System, supplies, 2,426.45; Powerplan, repairs, 1,068.21; Bobby Reece, reimburse physical cost, 100.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 6,869.89; James Schneider, gravel, 5,500.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,461.62/employee share social security, 1,461.62/county share medicare, 341.84/employee share medicare, 341.84/withholding, 863.52; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 161.29; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 437.01; Village of Harrison, utility, 98.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 93.20.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$648.86; Amazon, supplies, 399.85; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 43.80/employee share retirement, 29.20; Centurylink, phone/internet, 154.57; Collaborative Summer Library Program, programming, 162.85; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 50.00; NEA, electricity, 244.76; Quill Corporation, supplies, 184.49; Security First Bank, county share social security, 40.23/employee share social security 40.23/county share medicare, 9.41/employee share medicare 9.41/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 57.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,301.10; AgSpray Equipment, supplies, 79.01; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 216.07/employee share retirement, 144.05; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 59.21; Herren Brothers, supplies, 94.69; Office Depot, toner, 21.67; Quill Corporation, supplies, 30.96; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 30.51; Security First Bank, county share social security, 170.52/employee share social security, 170.52/county share medicare, 39.88/employee share medicare, 39.88/ withholding, 150.00.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the audit contract with Contryman Associates, P.C. to perform audit services for Sioux County for 2020, 2021 and 2022. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to require employees to submit claims for reimbursement of their remaining deductibles for each year prior to June 1 of the year following service. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

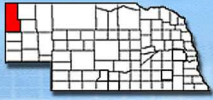
Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer provided the board with financial reports for the road department.

Sheriff McCumbers updated the board on recent activities. There is a firearms qualification at Bluffs Shooters Range on May 13. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the USDA Forest Service contract for reimbursement of patrolling and equipment. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Mike and Linda Kesselring, Dennis Murphy and Matt Parker met with the board to ask permission to hold a Memorial Day Service on the south lawn of the Sioux County Courthouse on May 25, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to allow the service contingent on compliance with current directives regarding COVID-19 restrictions. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

A phone conference was held with Jerry Berggren regarding an asbestos survey.

Discussion was held on adding a typing desk and chair from the Sioux County Court office to the surplus property list. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to add the desk and chair to the surplus property list. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.



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Dr. Brett Gies, Sioux County School Superintendent met with the board to express his gratitude for allowing the school to use county equipment for snow removal at the school over the past winter. A rate of pay to charge for the equipment use will be discussed.

Jean Norman met with the board with concerns about Toadstool Road. Discussion was held on how to maintain the road with the railroad and tourist traffic. Norman offered to help with a skid steer and payload. Commissioner Geiser will keep in contact with Norman.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to allow Dave Saults to carry over 52 hours of vacation. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Thayer discussed culvert mitigation and lists of FEMA sites that need to be completed. Thayer will meet with Jim Phipps to review and make a plan to complete the projects.

Stacey Swinney updated the board on canal bridge C058302820.

Sue Willey met with the board and asked that the road employees be directed to submit their monthly time sheets by the 25th of every month, so she has time to process them. Willey also asked that the employees note commissioner approval for overtime on their time sheets. The road employees will be advised of these updates.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet June 1, 2020.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk