

Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

July 1, 2024

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room July 1, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners J.W. Geiser, Hal Downer and Josh Skavdahl. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Gregg Mooney opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2024 meeting. On roll call vote Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 49,559.84; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 288.41; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 169.90; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 3,042.77/employee share, 2,110.47; Aging Office of Western Nebraska, 2025 assessment, 636.00; AT&T, phone system, 98.41; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 20,122.92; Crawford Clipper, publications, 365.33; Crowne Plaza, rooms, 394.64; CVSOAN, dues, convention, 160.00; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 516.00; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, 593.88; First Concord Benefits Group, HR fees, reimbursements, 1,413.35; AT & T Mobility, phones, 305.52; Herren's, supplies, 12.99; Horse Creek Tire, repair, 71.45; Steve Johnson, mileage, 67.00; Lacy Klein, Mileage, meals, 554.38; Lotton's Service, fuel, 82.55; Centurylink, extension phone, 253.68; Madison National Life ins., insurance, 53.62; MASA Global, insurance, 125.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 4,356.77; My Shop Angel, supplies, 453.03; NACO, dues, registration, 1,440.52; NCRAAO Conference, registration, 325.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,184.33; NEA, electricity, 831.57; Platte Valley Bank, sheriff pickup payment, 9,372.62; Pritchard & Abbott, mineral appraisal, 300.00; Quadiant Finance, postage, 500.00; Quadiant Leasing, postage meter, Quill, supplies, 25.58; Quill, supplies, 225.97; Ramada Conference Center, room, 321.00; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Scotts Bluff County detention Center, jail expense, 2,790.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,774.02/employee share social security, 2,774.02/county share medicare 648.76/employee share medicare 648.76/ withholding, 2,502.07; Sioux County Historical Society, museum grant, 2,000.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 458.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 22.39/postage, 17.46; Rustin Starkey, custodial contract, 650.00; Transfer to Courthouse Building Fund, 22,750.00; Transfer to Library Fund, 5,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 15,000.00; Transunion Risk & Alternative, services, 120.00; Tyler Technologies, VSO program, 449.00; US Treasury, fee, 54.74; Village of Harrison, utilities, 594.50; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 1,108.85/room, 318.32.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 38,974.72; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 951.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 167.92; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,500.87/employee share retirement, 1,667.23; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,188.68; Donald Brush, survey, 330.00; Centurylink, internet, 82.42; Contractors Materials, supplies, 729.00; Dooley Oil,

fuel, 5,344.01; Floyd's Truck Center, repairs, 396.65; Horse Creek Tire, supplies, 907.34; KD Contractors, gravel, 2,131.52; Legacy Cooperative, supplies, 420.56; Lotton's, repairs, 298.00; Madison National Life ins., life insurance, 61.85; Manley Welding, welder, 1,500.00; MASA Global, insurance, 87.50; Morrill Supply, supplies, 14.57; Motor Fuel Division fuel tax, 273.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 977.06; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 2,421.61; NEA, electricity, 81.81; James Phipps, room, fuel, supplies, 379.99; Pomp's Tire & Retreading, Inc., supplies, 669.20; Powerplan, repairs, 3,381.43; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 3,568.35; Ron's S&T, gravel hauling, 3,217.81; Sandhills State Bank, grader payment, 65,946.84; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,140.82 /employee share social security, 2,140.82/county share medicare, 500.68/employee share medicare, 500.68/withholding, 2,060.84; TDS, garbage, 35.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 561.53; Village of Harrison, utilities, 115.90; Village of Morrill, electricity, 89.34; WPCI, drug testing, 108.00.

REGISTER OF DEEDS PRESERVATION AND MODERNIZATION FUND: MIPS, data processing, 414.54.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,722.70; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 116.28/employee share retirement, 77.52; Books-A-Million, books, 115.14; Herren's, supplies, 38.95; Junior Library Guild, books, 1,333.42; McCarty's Magic Carpet Cleaning, carpet cleaning, 289.00; Mid America Books, books, 453.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 79.53; NEA, electricity, 123.62; NT & T phone, 71.13; Sarah Sanderson, supplies, 122.58; Security First Bank, county share social security, 106.81/employee share social security 106.81/county share medicare, 24.98/employee share medicare 24.98/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, water, 122.25; Windbreak Cable, internet, 59.95.

COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND: Randal Weber Custom Woodworking, window project, 22,750.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 5,342.87; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 360.64/employee share retirement, 240.43; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,801.24; Centurylink, internet, 82.43; Crawford Clipper, ad, 200.00; Heritage Seed, chemical, 111.45; Herren's, supplies, 219.82; Lotton's Service, fuel, 888.70; MASA Global, insurance, 12.50; NE Weed Control Association, training 150.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 92.64; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 120.60; Security First Bank, county share social security, 294.47/employee share social security, 294.47/county share medicare, 68.87/employee share medicare, 67.87/ withholding, 255.34; Simplot Grower Solutions, supplies, 4,875.00.

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners offered their condolences to the Nunn family in the loss of Joe Nunn, long-time Sioux County Commissioner. Resolution of Sympathy #2024-5 was read. The resolution states:

#### Resolution of Sympathy

WHEREAS, Sioux County lost a valued lifetime member of the County with the passing of Joe Nunn; and,

WHEREAS, the honorable Mr. Nunn served the county for 8 years selflessly; and,

WHEREAS, the honorable Mr. Nunn was a man of high character, conviction and principles, let it be known that his contributions to county, community and family are deeply appreciated,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Sioux County Board of Commissioners honor the passing of the honorable Commissioner Joe Nunn with this heartfelt resolution of sympathy for a dedicated husband, father, grandfather, mentor and friend.

On this 1st day of July, 2024.

May God bless and protect the United States of America and Sioux County, Nebraska.

Sioux County Board of Commissioners: Joshua T. Skavdahl, Allerton H. Downer and John W. Geiser, III.

Motion made by Dower seconded by Geiser to pass resolution #2024-5. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Michelle Zimmerman submitted monthly fee reports to the board.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to appoint Michelle Zimmerman budget making authority for the 2024-2025 budget. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept Michelle Zimmerman's 3-year plan of assessment. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to regretfully accept Howard Willey's resignation from the Sioux County Planning Board. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to appoint Jebb Ginkens to the Sioux County Planning Board. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Gregg Mooney, NACO Benefits team member introduced himself to the board. Gregg will be in the new Ogallala office.

Lacy Klein, County Treasurer submitted financial reports to the Board.

Sheriff McCumbers provided a financial report, and update on recent activities.

Ashley Ahrends and Rob Eirich updated the board on extension office activities. Jamie Turbiville will be working in the office this summer. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to appoint Les Wright to the extension board. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve a Sioux County Travel Board promotion grant for the Sioux County Fair in the amount of \$990.00. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

A contract with Dawes County for predator control services was reviewed.

A Second Amendment to Service Agreement between Sioux County and the Solid Waste Agency of Northwest Nebraska was reviewed. The amendment allows the agency to issue tax exempt financing for the purchase of a new baler and building for its operations. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to sign the agreement and pass Resolution 2024-6 approving the issuance of bonds by SWANN and ratifying and confirming all prior actions taken by the county with respect to such agency. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent, Jim Phipps updated the board. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the purchase of a pickup and a 4-wheeler from federal surplus. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 1:06 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet August 1, 2024.

/s/Josh Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk