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HARRISON, NEBRASKA

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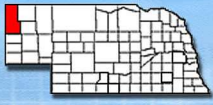
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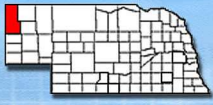
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ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 26,880.89; Accelerated Receivables, garnishment, 552.80; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 224.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 170.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,796.68/employee share retirement, 1,197.81; Beguin Propane, fuel, 2,193.00; BigHorn Auto Supply, supply, 22.07; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 13,159.52; Centurylink, internet, 49.99; Dale's Tire & retreading, tires, 226.79; Heilbrun's, supply, 81.27; Herren's, supply, 2,426.36; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 394.50; Kreider Insurance, insurance, 67,099.00; Frank Kriha Estate, trailer, 12,500.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, repairs, 827.30; Mobius Communications, phone, 30.63; Morrill Supply, repairs, 109.93; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 451.05; NE Machinery, repairs, 2,451.73; NEA, electric, 173.57; Norm's Napa, supply, 703.65; Panhandle Coop, fuel, 1,684.58; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 12,281.40; Powerplan, parts, 1,678.80; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,480.13/employee share social security, 1,480.13/county share medicare, 346.15/employee share medicare, 346.15/withholding, 1,121.97; Sioux Co. Treasurer, registration, 10.00; Bill Skavdahl, gravel, 4,795.50; Steve's Truck,



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supply, 140.00; TDS, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 189.35; Village of Harrison, utility, 59.20; Village of Morrill, electric, 199.25; Walt's Lathe & Machine, repair, 132.00; Dee Zimmerman, gravel, 345.00; Keith Zimmerman, gravel, 345.00; 80 MIA, LLC, belly dump rent, 250.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,462.28; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 34.97; Ameritas, eye ins., 22.28; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 98.70/employee share retirement, 65.80; Centurylink, phone, 107.10; Diamond Lake Book Co., books, 125.07; Ideal Linen, rugs, 13.09; Junior Library Guild, subscription, 81.00; Kreider insurance, insurance, 1,526.00; McCarty's Magic Carpet Cleaning; cleaning, 241.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 21.51; NEA, utilities, 403.01; Security First Bank,

20.37/employee share medicare 20.37/withholding, 62.26; Village of Harrison, utilities, 26.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 2,761.31; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 31.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 186.39/employee share retirement, 124.26; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 1,934.52; Centurylink, internet, 50.00; Kreider Insurance, insurance, 4,977.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 19.24; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 172.50; Security First Bank, county share social security, 145.27/employee share social security, 145.27/county share medicare, 33.97/employee share medicare, 33.97.

Tim Kreider met with the board and reviewed the counties' insurance coverage. There is a 1.1% overall increase in the premium from last year.

Monthly reports of fees received were filed by County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. Zimmerman reviewed the sales study that is being used to set ag land values for 2015 with the board.

County Treasurer, Barb Serres provided the board with the delinquent tax list. The delinquent tax sale will be held March 2 at 10:00 a.m.

Nick Sanderson, weed superintendent submitted two bids for the electrical work on rewiring the old shop. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the bid submitted by N.E.A. to complete the wiring. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried.

Sheriff Staudenmaier advised the board that he is investigating the vandalism of mail boxes in the south end of the county.

Jenny Nixon updated the board on recent activities.

The board of commissioners reviewed "Resolution Vacating North Moody Road". Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the resolution. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried. The complete resolution may be viewed at the Sioux County Clerk's Office.

Discussion was held on options for Monroe Canyon Road. After review of a proposal from Simons Contractors, it was tentatively decided to purchase cold mix from Simons and patch the north end of the road this summer, then let bids for the total 7 miles next summer. Another option is to tear up the 1.4 miles on the north and put red rock on it. Road Superintendent Thayer is to get pricing on that. Kim Earnie has been working on the Montrose Bridge Project.

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.



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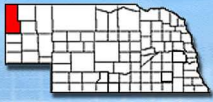


Due to the large number of patrons to come before the board, the meeting was moved to the Sioux County District Courtroom. Bryan Palm addressed the board with concerns about the proposed Salt Water Disposal Well. Terex Energy Corp has filed an application with the Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission for approval of the disposal well. Palm represented approximately 80 people who have signed a petition in opposition to any present and future waste water disposal wells in Sioux County, Nebraska. The concerns of the group were explained to the board by Palm. Safety concerns, short-term and long-term impacts were discussed. County Attorney Edmund told the crowd that Sioux County has been monitoring what is going on. There are some questions that need to be answered as far as zoning. We have not heard anything from Terex, as far as a conditional use permit. Edmund explained that a conditional use permit would be required by the county and approval from the county board would also be required. Many people spoke of their concerns and asked questions. County Attorney Edmund advised the group that the County Board of Commissioners can not take action on the matter at this meeting, as it is not an action item on the agenda. The Board set a special meeting date of February 18 at 9:00 a.m. to adopt a resolution concerning the well.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:17 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet February 18, 2015.

/s/Hal Downer  
Vice-Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk



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SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

February 18, 2015

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting in the Sioux County Courtroom on February 18, 2015, with the following present: Commissioners Joshua Skavdahl, J.W. Geiser and Hal Downer, County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman and County Attorney J. Adam Edmund. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Skavdahl, yes; Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried.

The pledge of allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Pastor Matt Parker opened the meeting in prayer.

Chairman Skavdahl asked the media to introduce themselves.

Sixteen patrons, both residents and non-residents of Sioux County appeared and voiced their concerns to the board regarding the proposed salt water disposal well in southern Sioux County. All comments were in opposition to the well. Bryan Palm, spokesman for the group stated that he is representing over 400 signatures opposing the disposal well and would appreciate the board's vote against it. Patrons were urged to write letters to NE Oil & Gas Commission and attend the public hearing on March 24, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in Sidney. There was also discussion on LB 512, a bill which taxes wastewater and authorizes the NE Oil and Gas Commission to monitor and regulate wastewater wells. The bill also allows wastewater to come in from other states. Senators Stinner and Schilz have introduced this bill.

Correspondence that has been received concerning the waste water well was read by board members. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to receive and accept all correspondence previously received by the board.

Commissioner Downer made a motion directing Sioux County Attorney Edmund to prepare a letter to the NE Oil & Gas Commission opposing the application for a waste water injection well due to the water's origination point being out of state, the possible contamination of water in Nebraska and traffic concerns, specifically to Highway 29. Motion seconded by J. W. Geiser. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to authorize Board Chairman Skavdahl to sign the letter. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Upon a motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by J.W. Geiser, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk





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SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

March 2, 2015

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on March 2, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J.W. Geiser and Hal Downer, County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman, County Attorney J. Adam Edmund. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Lotton, yes; Downer, 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 amend the minutes of the February 2, 2015 meeting striking Kevin Lotton being present at the meeting. On roll call vote, Lotton, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2015 as revised. On roll call vote, Lotton, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The Board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 28,487.37; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 145.52; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 165.84; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,870.69/employee share, 1,258.66; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 15,942.60; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/phone, 168.85; Crawford Clipper, publications, 517.01; J.W. Geiser, mileage, 184.00/room, 97.11; Elizabeth Griesse, postage, 49.00; David Howell, mileage, 149.50; Information Management Services, data processing, 104.80; Steve Johnson, mileage, 57.50; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 262.00; Mailfinance, lease, 840.00; Marshall & Swift/Boeckh, cost handbook, 339.95; MIPS, Inc., data processing 2,046.35; Mobius Communications, phone, 195.65; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NE Assn of County Clerks, dues, 50.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 565.44; NEA, electric, 2,002.64; Panhandle District Association, dues, 250.00; Panhandle Research & Ext. Center, mileage, 121.56; Quill Corp., supply, 268.87; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,100.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 161.38; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,511.05/employee share social security, 1,511.05/county share medicare, 353.40/employee share medicare, 353.40/withholding, 1,477.92; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 658.30; Josh Skavdahl, mileage, 607.38/meals, 54.48; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/phone, 19.90; Staples, supply, 717.81; Totalfunds by Hasler, postage, 1,000.00; Transfer to Road & bridge Fund, 200,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 40.83; Village of Harrison, utilities, 194.07; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 341.55.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 26,450.89; Accelerated Receivables, garnishment, 552.80; Action Communications, radios, 247.05; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 224.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 170.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,767.65/employee share retirement, 1,178.46; Beguin Propane, fuel, 340.00; BigHorn Auto Supply, supply, 658.40; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 13,159.52; Centurylink, internet, 45.39; Contractor's Materials, supply, 210.00; Crawford Clipper, publications, 59.77; Dale's Tire & retreading, tires, 1,088.16; Dooley Oil, fuel, 652.55; Floyd's Truck, repairs, 160.28; Heilbrun's, supply, 137.34; Herren's, supply, 23.69; Horse Creek Tire, Inc. tire mount, 32.50; Ideal Linen, rugs, 46.99; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 852.17; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, repairs, 379.05; Mobius Communications, phone, 30.63; Morrill Hardware, supply, 8.99; Morrill Supply, repairs, 108.80; Highway Superintendents & Surveyors, dues, 50.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 443.69; NE Machinery, repairs, 1,749.07; NEA, electric, 143.12; Norm's Napa, supply, 614.81; Panhandle Coop, fuel, 1,129.32; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 5,310.90; Powerplan, parts, 5,964.77; Quill Corporation, supply, 76.33; Security First Bank, county



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share social security, 1,453.46/employee share social security, 1,453.46/county share medicare, 339.92/employee share medicare, 339.92/withholding, 1,121.97; TDS, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 72.92; Village of Harrison, utility, 59.20; Village of Morrill, electric, 105.3; 80 MIA, LLC, belly dump rent, 500.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,144.05; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 34.97; Ameritas, eye ins., 22.28; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 77.22/employee share retirement, 51.48; Centurylink, phone, 107.12; Ideal Linen, rugs, 12.39; Mid America Books, books, 460.80; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 11.73; Nebraska Library Commission, communications, 10.00; NEA, utilities, 263.45; Security First Bank, county share social security, 67.38/employee share social security 67.38/county share medicare, 15.76/employee share medicare 15.76/withholding, 31.87; Village of Harrison, utilities, 26.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,073.31; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 31.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 207.45/employee share retirement, 138.30; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 1,934.52; Centurylink, internet, 45.39; Gempler's supply, 183.90; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 21.33; Office Depot, supply, 73.67; Quill Corporation, supply, 82.82; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 391.00/meals, 79.25; Noel Santistevan, meals, 19.80; Security First Bank, county share social security, 164.61/employee share social security, 164.61/county share medicare, 38.49/employee share medicare, 38.49.

The board read a letter received from Rene Larson concerning the waste water disposal issue.

Monthly reports of fees received were filed by County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. Zimmerman reviewed 2015 ag land values with the board. Zimmerman discussed the ruling of U.S. District Judge Joseph Bataillon's order relating to marriages by same-sex couples in Nebraska. The issue was discussed with County Attorney Edmund. The board gave Zimmerman their support.

Nick Sanderson, weed superintendent updated the board.

Sarah Sanderson met with the board. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the custodial contract with Sanderson for one year at a rate of \$1,200 per month. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Jenny Nixon and Marlena Griesse met with the board and introduced Leah Gremm and Meredith Bremer, Nebraska Extension Educators. Gremm updated the board on youth development and 4-H activities, and Bremer discussed beef systems.

Upon a motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser, the board convened into executive session for legal consultation and strategy regarding the salt water disposal well at 11:04. Motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by J.W. Geiser to reconvene into regular session at 11:22.

The board agreed that Hal Downer should contact Senators Stinner and Schilz to express the counties opposition to LB 512.

At 11:30 the board opened sealed bids for chip sealing of 7.2 miles of Monroe Canyon Road and Morrill Road. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to accept the bids. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The board gave the bids to Road Superintendent Thayer and Road Foreman Mathis to review and make a recommendation to the board at the April meeting.



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Stacey Swinney asked to use the title of Sioux County Bridge Inspector/Consultant for the bridge conference in Kearney. The board approved the request.

Road Superintendent Thayer discussed the BNSF Bridge 448.83 with the board. No action taken.

Discussion was held on purchasing a motor grader and a pickup. The board asked Mathis to come back with pricing at the April meeting.

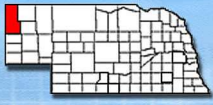
Upon a motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by J.W. Geiser, the meeting adjourned from 12:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for a lunch recess.

A public hearing was held at 1:00 for the purpose of reviewing the One and Six Year Road Plan. Road Superintendent Thayer discussed the items that are on the plan. The hearing was closed at 1:50. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to accept the one and six year road plan as presented. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Lotton, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 P.M. The Sioux County Board \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Commissioners \_\_\_\_\_ will \_\_\_\_\_ meet February 18, 2015.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk



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SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

April 1, 2015

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on April 1, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J.W. Geiser and Hal Downer, County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman, County Attorney J. Adam Edmund. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Hal Downer opened the meeting in prayer. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Lotton, yes; Downer, 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 March 2, 2015 meeting. On roll call vote, Lotton, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried. The Board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 28,412.37; Action Communications, sheriff radios, 2,785.65; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 145.52; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 165.84; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,870.69/employee share, 1,258.66; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 15,942.60; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/phone, 206.09; Crawford Clipper, publications, 163.20; Dawes County Sheriff, housing, 300.00; Elizabeth Griesse, mileage, 324.30/meals, 43.31/ supply, 30.07; David Howell, mileage, 74.75; Information Management Services, data processing, 104.80; Steve Johnson, mileage, 115.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 389.10; MIPS, Inc., data processing 1,985.30; Mobius Communications, phone, 195.77; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 563.89; Nebraska Total Office, supply, 41.99; NEA, electric, 1,607.55; Jenny Nixon, mileage, 102.93; Outlaw Printers, supply, 126.75; Panhandle Research & Ext. Center, mileage, 106.15; William Peters, court-appointed attorney, 395.25; Petersen Drug, prescription, 182.82; Quill Corp., supply, 102.53; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 122.51; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,506.40/employee share social security, 1,506.40/county share medicare, 352.31/employee share medicare, 352.31/withholding, 1,477.92; Barbara Serres, supply, 227.43; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 658.30; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/phone, 19.90/ postage, 6.49; Lyle Staudenmaier, phone, 258.06/ supply, 105.89; U-Save Mart, fuel, 70.23; Village of Harrison, utilities, 194.07; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 434.71.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 26,141.82; Accelerated Receivables, garnishment, 552.80; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 224.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 170.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,746.78/employee share retirement, 1,164.55; Beguin Propane, fuel, 1,190.00; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 13,159.52; Brown/Nelson Electric, part, 381.00; Centurylink, internet, 45.65; Dale's Tire & retreading, tires, 3,420.77; Dooley Oil, fuel, 4,541.92; Groskopf Mfg., supply, 106.00; Herren's, supply, 331.99; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 2,006.18; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, repairs, 949.33; Mobius Communications, phone, 30.63; Morrill Hardware, supply, 29.83; Morrill Supply, repairs, 186.05; Motor Fuel Division, fuel tax, 226.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 440.20; NE Machinery, repairs, 654.21; NEA, electric, 75.55; Norm's Napa, supply, 657.32; Panhandle Coop, fuel, 825.37; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 8,105.83; Powerplan, parts, 5,964.77; Quill Corporation, supply, 76.33; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,434.30/employee share social security, 1,434.30/county share medicare, 335.43/employee share medicare, 335.43/withholding, 1,121.97; Simon Contractors, materials, 570.95; Stern Oil Co., 477.90; Steve's Truck, supply, 170.00; TDS, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 81.56; Village of Harrison, utility, 59.20; Village of Morrill, electric, 90.02; WPCI, testing, 81.50; 80 MIA, LLC, belly dump rent, 500.00.





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VISITOR'S PROMOTION FUND: Robert Sharp & Associates, website, 380.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,425.46; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 34.97; Ameritas, eye ins., 22.28; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 96.22/employee share retirement, 64.15; Centurylink, phone, 107.12; Susan Davis, book, 15.00; Tralice Ellis, mileage, 162.15; Golden Horse Ltd., book, 14.12; Ideal Linen, rugs, 11.69; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 20.38; NEA, utilities, 217.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 84.83/employee share social security 84.83/county share medicare, 19.84/employee share medicare 19.84/withholding, 58.74; Village of Harrison, utilities, 26.00.

INHERITANCE FUND: Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, review, 100.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 2,761.31 Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 31.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 186.39/employee share retirement, 124.26; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 1,934.52; Centurylink, internet, 45.65; Herren's, supply, 139.52; Lotton's service & Repair, gas, 46.00/ tires, 414.45; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 19.24; Niobrara Electric Assoc., electrical work, 2,808.28; Ramada Inn, room, 198.00; Nick Sanderson, anti-virus, 116.04; Security First Bank, county share social security, 145.27/employee share social security, 145.27/county share medicare, 33.97/employee share medicare, 33.97.

Monthly reports of fees received were filed by County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. Zimmerman reviewed 2015 ag land values with the board. Panhandle ag land values were reviewed. Zimmerman reported that rural residential properties were increased by 8% due to sales.

Barbara Serres, Sioux County Treasurer provided the board with the Tax Sale listing.

Nick Sanderson, weed superintendent updated the board.

Marlena Griesse met with the board on upcoming 4-H events. Marlena's goal is to have one thing of interest to each child in the county.

Deputy County Clerk, JoElla Norman joined the meeting.

County Attorney J. Adam Edmund updated the board on the salt water disposal well. The Conditional Use Permit that Terex will be required to file with the Planning and Zoning Commission was discussed. Traffic is the big issue.

Road Foreman Mathis requested to advertise the vacated maintenance/clerical position. Motion by Downer, seconded by Geiser to advertise immediately for the maintenance/clerical position and because of the circumstance, Lora Mathis will fill-in as the interim. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Thayer recommended the board accept the bid submitted by Topkote for the armor coating of Monroe Canyon and Morrill Roads. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept Topkote, Inc.'s bid with the exception of the striping portion of the bid. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Road Foreman Mathis presented information regarding road grader options. A CAT representative joined the meeting and gave a presentation on a road grader rebuild.

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.



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Motion made by Downer seconded by Geiser to advertise specs for bids on a used grader. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the purchase of a used pickup. The board consulted Barbara Serres, Sioux County Treasurer on road funds available. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept a bid from Eagle Chevrolet for a 2009 pickup to replace the 1993 Chevrolet pickup. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

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 May 1, 2015.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk



# Sioux County Board Minutes



SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

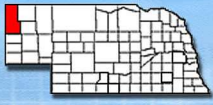
HARRISON, NEBRASKA

May 1, 2015

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on May 1, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J.W. Geiser and Hal Downer, County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman, County Attorney J. Adam Edmund. 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, Geiser, yes; Downer, 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 April 1, 2015 meeting. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried. The Board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 28,727.37; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 145.52; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 165.84; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,870.69/employee share, 1,258.66; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 15,942.60; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/phone, 204.95; Connecting Point, copier, toner, 4,512.56; Lela Daniels, mileage, 69.00; Don Brush, survey, 430.00; Elizabeth Griesse, mileage, 197.80/postage, 49.00; Information Management Services, data processing, 104.80; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 198.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing 2,211.70; Mobius Communications, phone, 195.72; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, registrations, 155.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 569.04; NEA, electric, 1,364.18; Jerald Ostdiek, mental health, 200.00; Panhandle Research & Ext. Center, mileage, 147.98; Tom Perkins, mental health, 200.00; Pritchard & Abbott, mineral appraisal, 260.00; Quill Corp., supply, 148.44; Redfield & Company, recording paper, 1,388.72; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 177.26; Scottsbluff County Treasurer, probation, 909.97; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,525.94/employee share social security, 1,525.94/county share medicare, 356.88/employee share medicare, 356.88/withholding, 1,477.92; Carol Sinner, mental health, 200.00; Sioux County Court, court costs, 55.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 658.30; Daniel Skavdahl, mileage, 172.50; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/phone, 19.94/ postage, 49.00/ newspaper, 30.00; Staples, supply, 481.13; Lyle Staudenmaier, phone, 161.00; Stephens-Peck, title book, 85.00; Totalfunds, postage, 500.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 31.05; University of NE-Lincoln, Marlana quarterly 18,816.13; Viaero, sheriff phone, 130.40; Village of Harrison, utilities, 194.07; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 244.38.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 24,911.88; Accelerated Receivables, garnishment, 552.80; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 224.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 170.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,651.55/employee share retirement, 1,101.06; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 13,159.52; Centurylink, internet, 45.11; Eagle Chevrolet, pickup, 19,995.00; Floyd's Truck Center, repairs, 233.48; Heilbrun's, repairs, 127.48; Herren's, supply, 261.83; Horse Creek Tire, supply, 104.08; Ideal Linen, rugs, 23.95; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 174.98; Kaufman Glass, glass, 138.50; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, repairs, 645.35; Mobius Communications, phone, 29.50; Morrill Supply, repairs, 46.45; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 443.14; NE Machinery, repairs, 1,921.13; NEA, electric, 115.58; Norm's Napa, supply, 37.64; Panhandle Coop, fuel, 762.01; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 7,657.68; Powerplan, parts, 699.07; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,358.04/employee share social security, 1,358.04/county share medicare, 317.60/employee share medicare, 317.60/withholding, 1,121.97; Simon Contractors,



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materials, 570.95; Stern Oil Co., oil, 1,351.91; Steve's Truck, supply, 53.28; TDS, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 112.46; Village of Harrison, utility, 59.20; Village of Morrill, electric, 76.77; WPCI, testing, 138.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,422.83; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 34.97; Ameritas, eye ins., 22.28; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 96.04/employee share retirement, 64.03; Centurylink, phone, 107.27; Fire Nebula Web Design, computer work, 184.96; Gardner Media, LLC, books, 138.02; Herren Bros, supply, 79.98; Ideal Linen, rugs, 11.69; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 20.30; NEA, utilities, 159.00; Quill Corp., supply, 82.92; Security First Bank, county share social security, 84.67/employee share social security 84.67/county share medicare, 19.80/employee share medicare 19.80/withholding, 58.49; Upstart, supply, 160.73; Village of Harrison, utilities, 155.00.

INHERITANCE FUND: Randy Cullers, review, 50.00; Smith, King & Simmons, P.C., review, 50.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 2,761.31 Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 31.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 186.39/employee share retirement, 124.26; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 1,934.52; Centurylink, internet, 45.11; Lotton's service & Repair, 163.95; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 19.24; Office Depot, supply, 313.45; Quill, supply, 29.98; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 57.50; Security First Bank, county share social security, 145.27/employee share social security, 145.27/county share medicare, 33.97/employee share medicare, 33.97.

Monthly reports of fees received were filed by County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. Zimmerman advised the board that Blue Cross/Blue Shield premiums will be reduced by 3% this fiscal year. The Tax Equalization and Review Committee has issued a "No Show Cause Hearing" finding for Sioux County for tax year 2015.

Nick Sanderson, weed superintendent updated the board. Sanderson inquired about putting the white Ford pickup up for bids. Sanderson said he would begin spraying along county roads in the next couple of weeks.

Sheriff Staudenmaier reported that he is investigating possible arson in the county.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to enter into executive session for personnel reasons. The board reconvened into regular session upon a motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser.

Jenny Nixon advised the board that she is looking at purchasing a new printer with a 50-50 cost share. The board approved the purchase as it is within the extension budget.

County Attorney Edmund advised the board that The Tailgate Bar & Grill has asked for a one day liquor license to cater the Skavdahl wedding on June 20. Motion to ratify the license was made by Geiser, seconded by Downer. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, abstained. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to enter into executive session for personnel reasons. The board reconvened into regular session upon a motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser.

Bill Baker met with the board with concerns about the Sowbelly Road. The blade operators are bringing dirt up out of the borrow pit and getting closer to the fence line. If that continues, the fence will fall into the road. Solutions such as gravel were discussed. Road Foreman Mathis advised Baker that he would ask the operators to keep the blades away from the fences.





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Bids for a new grader for the road department were opened. NMC Cat submitted two bids and Murphy Tractor submitted four bids. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept the bids and have Gordon and Gary look at them and make a recommendation to the board. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to move John Higgins from Probationary employee status to permanent status. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

The board reviewed two applications for the clerical/laborer position. After discussion on workload, it was decided to advertise for a part-time clerical position and two full-time operator positions.

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.

Mike Sarchet, former Scottsbluff Science teacher met with the board stating that he had been approached by several landowners to help him look at the waste water well in southern Sioux County. Sarchet voiced many concerns of the landowners including who has oversight over the site itself, berming regulations, protecting the aquifer, contents of the waste product and requirement of testing additional loads of waste water. Mr. Sarchet offered help to Sioux County regarding the issue.

Dave Haack, owner of Z & S Construction met with the board with concerns of the waste water issue stating that that there have been "so many mistruths said about this." Haack owns a commercial disposal well in Kimball County and has operated his business for nearly 30 years. Mr. Haack stated that the waste that is disposed is 99% salt water, and the other ingredients are very diluted with very little toxicity to it. Haack discussed the transport of the water.

The board thanked Mr. Sarchet and Mr. Haack for their time.

Road Superintendent Thayer advised the board that the federal aid buyout money has been received. Thayer also said that Kim Earnie is still working on funding to address the Montrose Bridge.

Approval of vacation time carry-over for Dave Saults was approved by a motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

The board read correspondence from Kate Benjamin regarding the wastewater disposal well.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet May 1, 2015.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk



# Sioux County Board Minutes



SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

June 1, 2015

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on June 1, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, and Hal Downer, County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman, County Attorney J. Adam Edmund. Commissioner J. W. Geiser was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the minutes of the May 1, 2015 meeting. On roll call vote, Downer, yes. Motion carried. The Board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 28,418.37; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 145.52; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 165.84; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,870.69/employee share, 1,258.66; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 15,942.60; Sarah Boyd, mileage, 77.05; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/phone, 204.99; 5 Points Service, repair 50.00; Crawford Clipper; publications, 145.00; Deluxe, checks, 109.12; GIS Workshop, oblique photos, 12,500.00; Jamie Goffena, mileage, 41.40; Elizabeth Griesse, mileage, 242.65/postage, 78.00/ supply, 18.85; Herren's, supply, 57.47; Holiday Inn, Kearney, rooms, 185.90; David Howell, mileage, 74.75; Information Management Services, data processing, 104.80; Jerrod Jaeger, court appointed attorney, 348.08; Steve Johnson, mileage, 57.50; Lexis-Nexis, law book, 74.38; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 390.00; Mailfinance, lease, 840.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing 2,276.92; Mobius Communications, phone, 195.72; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, registrations, 75.00; NE Assn. of Co. Treasurers, registration, 125.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 564.88; NEA, electric, 1,025.22; Jennifer Nixon, mileage, 30.48; Quill Corp., supply, 166.83; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Roanco Sprinklers, repair, 180.07; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 294.97; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,506.77/employee share social security, 1,506.77/county share medicare, 352.40/employee share medicare, 352.40/withholding, 1,477.92; Sioux County Clerk, map, 26.63; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 658.30; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/phone, 19.94/ dues, 1,175.00; Transfer to Road Fund, 144,777.10; U-Save Mart, fuel, 51.20; University of NE-Lincoln, supply, 1,793.48; USDA, APHIS, wildlife services, 5,524.94; Viaero, sheriff phone, 126.88; Village of Harrison, utilities, 308.42; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 514.63/ scanner, 854.00/ meals, 20.98.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 22,893.62; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 224.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 159.16; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,529.31/employee share retirement, 1,019.56; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 12,317.20; Centurylink, internet, 48.92; Lyle Claussen, reimbursement, 1,105.60; Contractors Materials, supply, 112.05; Crawford Clipper, ads, 53.92; Dale's Tire & Retreading, tires, 1,424.58; Dooley Oil, oil, 4,370.60; Goshen Diesel, repair, 1,046.00; Heilbrun's, parts, 6.28; Herren's, supply, 218.42; Hydrotex, supply, 325.61; Ideal Linen, rugs, 102.27; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 745.84; Dexter Mathis, supply, 73.00; Mobius Communications, phone, 29.73; Morrill Supply, repairs, 11.86; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 379.17; NE Machinery, repairs, 1,339.47; NEA, electric, 56.75; Panhandle Coop, fuel, 298.60; Patrone's Landscaping, limb removal, 3,750.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 5,639.48; Powerplan, parts, 1,684.15; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,244.05/employee share social security, 1,244.05/county share medicare, 290.94/employee share medicare,



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290.94/withholding, 910.24; Sioux County Treasurer, title, 10.00; Jeannie Staman, gravel, 8,250.00; TDS, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 48.37; Village of Harrison, utility, 78.20; Westco, supply, 88.16.

FEDERAL FUNDS PURCHASE PROGRAM FUND: Herren's, bridge supply, Montrose Bridge, 6,335.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,322.89; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 34.97; Ameritas, eye ins., 22.28; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 89.30/employee share retirement, 59.53; Centurylink, phone, 107.29; Herren Bros, supply, 303.81; Ideal Linen, rugs, 13.09; Kids Reference Company, books, 213.87; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 17.23; NEA, utilities, 117.97; The Penworthy Company, books, 520.21; Quill Corp., supply, 86.76; Security First Bank, county share social security, 78.47/employee share social security 78.47/county share medicare, 18.35/employee share medicare 18.35/withholding, 48.94; Village of Harrison, utilities, 72.20.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,361.31; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 31.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 226.89/employee share retirement, 151.26; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 1,934.52; Centurylink, internet, 48.93; Crawford Clipper, ad, 85.50; Gemplers, supply, 56.70; Heritage Seed, chemical, 633.50; Herren Bros., supply, Lotton's service & Repair, fuel, 276.68; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 23.01; Quill, supply, 25.97; Security First Bank, county share social security, 182.47/employee share social security, 182.47/county share medicare, 42.67/employee share medicare, 42.67; withholding, 4.80.

Sarah Sanderson met with the board and advised them that the kitchen window in the basement is leaking. Sarah will get quotes on fixing the leak.

Nick Sanderson, weed superintendent updated the board. Sanderson inquired about replacing the 1993 Ford pickup. Sanderson was told to budget for it next fiscal year.

Monthly reports of fees received were filed by County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. Zimmerman informed the board that Notice of Valuation Changes had been sent out. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to set protest hearing dates to July 22, 23 and 24, 2015.

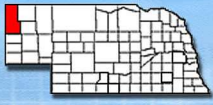
Jenny Nixon updated the board on recent activities in the 4-H program.

Two easements to bury electric lines under county roads were reviewed. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the easement submitted by Cody Oldaker, Robbin Oldaker and Ramone Hourt. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the easement submitted by Phil Pierce. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

NE Department of Roads Fracture Critical Bridges were discussed by Road Superintendent Thayer. A proposal was sent by NE Department of Roads. Stacey Swinney has inquired about performing the inspections. The matter was tabled until July.

Four applications were opened and reviewed for the clerical position advertised for the road department. Three applications were opened and reviewed for the full-time maintenance worker in the road department. Interviews will be scheduled.

Motion made by Downer seconded by Skavdahl to approve the proposal submitted by Contractor Services, Inc. to paint 7 miles of stripes and lines on Monroe Canyon Road. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.



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Road Foreman Mathis discussed paying overtime for short-term maintenance in the road department. No action taken.

The board postponed the action on purchase of a new motor grader until Commissioner Geiser is present at the July meeting.

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

Don Freyda, USDA, APHIS gave an update of wildlife management over the past year. He has requested about a 2% increase from last year for his services. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the budget request of \$19,327.00 for fiscal year 2015-2016. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl yes. Motion carried. Chairman Skavdahl signed the agreement for services.

Mike Kesselring, Sioux County Travel and Tourism Board member met with the board and discussed the hiring of a Tourism Director in Dawes County. The Sioux County Travel and Tourism Board agreed to dedicate up to 50% of their annual budget in support of contracting with Dawes County for Tourism Director services. There will be no additional tax. A contract with Dawes County will be drawn up.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to approve Jenny Nixon and Mike Kesselring to be voting members of West Nebraska Tourism Coalition. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Kesselring also gave an update on the Sioux County Travel and Tourism Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:25 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet July 1, 2015.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk





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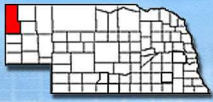
HARRISON, NEBRASKA

July 1, 2015

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on July 1, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J.W. Geiser and Hal Downer, County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman, County Attorney J. Adam Edmund. 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 Lotton to approve the minutes of the June 1 and June 18, 2015 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, 28,322.37; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 145.52; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 165.84; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,870.69/employee share, 1,258.66; Aging Office of Western Nebraska, FY 2015, 146.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 15,464.36; Johnson Campbell, mileage, 75.90; Capri Inn & Suites, room, 164.97; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/phone, 204.99; Crawford Clipper; publications, 372.20; Lela Daniels, mileage, 69.00; GIS Workshop, contract, 6,495.00; Elizabeth Griesse, mileage, 28.75/postage, 49.00; Herren's, supply, 10.47; Information Management Services, data processing, 104.80; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 542.10; Midwest Connect, meter, 265.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing 1,985.30; Mobius Communications, phone, 219.36; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, registrations, 100.00/ dues, 1,048.81; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 566.79; NEA, electric, 920.84; NEA, repairs, 349.18; Panhandle Co Assessors Association, dues, 75.00; Panhandle Research & Ext. Center, mileage, 154.21; Print Express, supply, 172.44; Quality Inn & Suites, room, 221.85; Quill Corp., supply, 111.88; Region I Mental Health, mental health services, 5,677.00; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 133.23; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,506.74/employee share social security, 1,506.74/county share medicare, 352.38/employee share medicare, 352.38/withholding, 1,484.61; Barbara Serres, mileage, 618.13/ meals, 15.83; Sioux County Historical Society, contribution 2,000.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 658.30; Josh Skavdahl, mileage, 672.75; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/phone, 19.94; U-Save Mart, fuel, 27.00; Viaero, sheriff phone, 134.63; Village of Harrison, utilities, 350.02; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 424.93/ meals, 20.01/ antivirus 31.64.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 23,408.67; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 184.71; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 159.16; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,490.62/employee share retirement, 993.77; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 11,947.72; Centurylink, internet, 45.98; Contractors Materials, supply, 213.00; Crawford Clipper, ads, 49.52; Dale's Tire & Retreading, tires, 712.29; Dooley Oil, oil, 2,291.91; Floyd's Truck Center, repair, 132.35; Groskopf Mfg., repairs, 2,800.04; Heilbrun's, parts, 550.66; Herren's, supply, 400.90; Ideal Linen, rugs, 23.95; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 400.44; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 593.52; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc., supply, 425.48; Mobius Communications, phone, 29.16; Morrill Supply, repairs, 37.36; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 405.16; NE Machinery, repairs, 887.64; NEA, electric, 63.17; Norm's Napa, parts, 325.52; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 4,311.15; Powerplan, parts, 462.90; Rudloff Trucking, debris removal, 2,100.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,297.46/employee share social security, 1,297.46/county share medicare, 303.43/employee share medicare, 303.43/withholding, 981.29; Sioux County Sheriff, inspection, 10.00; Steve's Truck, supply, 37.72; Stacy Swinney, bridge



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inspections, 4,000.00; TDS, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 261.58; Village of Harrison, utility, 78.20; Village of Morrill, electric, 115.62; WPCI, drug testing, 56.50; Z & S Construction, debris removal, 6,066.51.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,333.41; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 34.97; Amazon, books, 932.37; Ameritas, eye ins., 22.28; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 90.01/employee share retirement, 60.00; Centurylink, phone, 107.29; Crawford Clipper, notice, 3.90; Demco, books, 172.04; Herren Bros, supply, 27.47; Ideal Linen, rugs, 13.09; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 17.55; NEA, utilities, 106.41; Quill Corp., supply, 116.34; Security First Bank, county share social security, 79.12/employee share social security 79.12/county share medicare, 18.50/employee share medicare 18.50/withholding, 49.95; Village of Harrison, utilities, 48.20.

INHERITANCE FUND: Randy Cullers, inheritance attorney fees, 100.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,297.31; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 31.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 290.07/employee share retirement, 193.38; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 1,876.48; Centurylink, internet, 45.99; Heritage Seed, chemical, 928.20; Herren Bros., supply, 156.19; Lotton's service & Repair, fuel, 860.50; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 51.89; Quill, supply, 23.99; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 55.25; Security First Bank, county share social security, 241.22/employee share social security, 241.22/county share medicare, 56.41/employee share medicare, 56.41; withholding, 102.84; Simplot Grower Solutions, chemical, 6,526.89.

Monthly reports of fees received were filed by County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. Zimmerman advised the board that one property owner had filed a valuation protest. Any protests that are postmarked on June 30 will also meet the deadline requirement. Protest hearings are scheduled for July 23 and 24, due to the small number received.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to appoint Michelle Zimmerman budget making authority for the 2015-2016 budget. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Sarah Sanderson updated the board on the window in the kitchen in the basement. The board o.k.'d the purchase of blinds for the weed/road shop and the Village of Harrison offices.

Nick Sanderson updated the board on spraying he has been doing.

Marlena Griesse updated the board on extension activities.

Rick Bridge, Line Superintendent and Ken Ceaglske, General Manager from Niobrara Electric Association met with the board concerning the electric line on Pants Butte Road. Discussion was held as to whether repairs would be under the NEMA guidelines. NEA will be updated on the repairs of the road.

Stacey Swinney reported on bridge inspections that he has completed. He has been to all but the Geiser Bridge and has not found anything structurally dangerous. Signage at the bridges was discussed. The board asked Swinney to get as much repaired as possible in the next 60 days, then review them again.

NE Department of Roads Fracture Critical Bridge inspections were discussed with County Attorney Edmund. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the contract with NE Department of Roads. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.



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The board reviewed a right-of-way application filed by Centurylink on the Murphy Road. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the application. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the clerical hire for the road department. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to hire Sue Willey for the position. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

The hourly rate for temporary help for the road department was discussed. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve a wage up to \$16.00 per hour, based on experience and on the foreman's recommendation. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

A contract with Z & S Construction for debris removal was approved upon a motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser not to purchase a motor grader at this time due to the possible need of money to purchase gravel for flooding repairs. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to lease a grader from Murphy Tractor for the time being. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes. Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

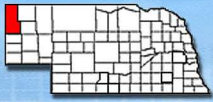
Paying the road department employees for overtime was again discussed. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to ratify the payment of overtime if the employees are willing to work overtime. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to give the foreman authority to schedule 5 day work weeks for the road employees. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to continue advertising for road department employees. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Jim Voeller met with the board and discussed the flooding damage on Sowbelly Road. He stated that NEMA does not clean up private property but FEMA does. Voeller would like the village and NE Game & Parks to put in for FEMA. A representative from NE Game & Parks also attended the meeting. Voeller would like the county to do everything we can to get FEMA involved. He would like to put a joint cost estimate together with the village and NE Game & Parks. Misty Skavdahl, Region 23 Emergency Management advised Mr. Voeller and the board that the chain of command is to work with NEMA first, then if a certain threshold is met, NEMA can have FEMA come in and take over, and it is up to the elected officials to take care of that. County Board Chairman Skavdahl stated that there are thousands of acres that need to be cleared, not just Sowbelly Road. NEMA has done their damage assessment and we have met the threshold for a disaster. Now we need to go through and see how they are going to handle it. All paperwork will be submitted.

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.

Kevin Lotton commended Sioux County for the conditions of the county roads.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:25 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet August 3, 2015.



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/s/Joshua Skavdahl

Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman

Sioux County Clerk





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SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

August 3, 2015

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on August 3, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J.W. Geiser and Hal Downer, County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman, County Attorney J. Adam Edmund. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Pastor Matt Parker 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 Lotton to approve the minutes of the July 1, 23 and 24, 2015 meetings. 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, 28,367.37; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 145.52; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 165.84; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,870.69/employee share, 1,258.66; Aging Office of Western Nebraska, FY 2015, 728.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 15,464.36; Johnson Campbell, mileage, 75.90; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/phone, 205.06; Lela Daniels, mileage, 69.00; Information Management Services, data processing, 104.80; Kreider Insurance, worker's comp., 476.40; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 281.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing 1,992.64; Mobius Communications, phone, 195.69; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 566.79; NE State Treasurer, reimbursement, 374.62; NEA, electric, 490.94; Panhandle Research & Ext. Center, mileage, 140.24; Region I Office of Human Development, FY 2015, 1,642.50; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 91.55; Scottsbluff County Sheriff, summons, 63.98; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,533.34/employee share social security, 1,509.53/county share medicare, 353.03/employee share medicare, 353.03/withholding, 1,484.61; Barbara Serres, mileage, 80.50; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 658.30; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/phone, 19.95, service fee, 20.42; Staples, office supply, 495.42; U-Save Mart, fuel, 78.77; Viaero, sheriff phone, 132.36; Village of Harrison, utilities, 399.62; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 80.50.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 29,465.89; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 184.71; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 159.16; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,616.39/employee share retirement, 1,077.62; Bighorn Auto Supply, parts, 328.00; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 11,947.72; Centurylink, internet, 52.04; Heilbrun's, parts, 74.87; Herren's, supply, 197.50; Horse Creek Tire, tires, 466.16; Ideal Linen, rugs, 23.95; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 433.11; Kreider Insurance Agency, worker's comp, 892.24; Littrel Construction, culvert, 2,024.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 946.15; Mobius Communications, phone, 29.16; Morrill Supply, repairs, 54.05; NE Motor Fuel Division, fuel tax, 150.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 611.38; NE Machinery, repairs, 52.40; NEA, electric, 59.85; Norm's Napa, parts, 389.25; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 8,535.70; Powerplan, parts, 4,116.03; Rudloff Trucking, hauling rock, 9,660.00; Shawn Rudloff, blade work, 32.00; Running Water Gravel Co., gravel, 12,600.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,658.57/employee share social security, 1,658.57/county share medicare, 387.89/employee share medicare, 387.89/withholding, 1,674.11; Bill Skavdahl, gravel, 2,917.50; Josh Skavdahl, gravel, 2,917.50; TDS, garbage, 25.00; Gary Thayer, mileage, 184.58/ blade work, 540.00; Tri-D Hose, supply, U-Save Mart, fuel,



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240.96; Village of Harrison, utility, 78.20; Village of Morrill, electric, 57.20; WPCI, drug testing, 25.00; Westco, supply, 38.68; Donna Sue Willey, office supply, 54.19; Z & S Construction, debris removal, widen road, 23,883.64.

SPECIAL ROAD FUND: Topkote, armor coat, 187,367.25

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,404.42; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 34.97; Amazon, books, 921.80; Ameritas, eye ins., 22.28; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 94.80/employee share retirement, 63.20; Centurylink, phone, 157.33; Crawford Clipper, notice, 30.00; Tralice Ellis, supply, 71.97; Herren Bros, supply, 57.96; Ideal Linen, rugs, 12.39; Junior Library Guild, audiobooks, 849.00; Kids Reference Co., books, 317.80; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 19.73; NEA, utilities, 84.30; The Penworthy Co., books, 396.38; Quill Corp., supply, 597.51; Security First Bank, county share social security, 83.52/employee share social security 83.52/county share medicare, 19.53/employee share medicare 19.53/withholding, 56.73; Village of Harrison, utilities, 46.60.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,297.31; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 31.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 290.07/employee share retirement, 193.38; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 1,876.48; Centurylink, internet, 52.05; Heritage Seed, chemical, 1,714.05; Herren Bros., supply, 56.01; Kreider Insurance, worker's comp, 164.36; Lotton's service & Repair, fuel, 473.35/ tires, 414.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 51.89; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 85.10; Security First Bank, county share social security, 241.22/employee share social security, 241.22/county share medicare, 56.41/employee share medicare, 56.41; withholding, 102.84.

Pastor Matt Parker, Pastor of the Harrison Bible Church met with the board and thanked them for their support of County Clerk Zimmerman on the same sex marriage issue. Parker stated that the majority of Sioux County residents agree that marriage is between one man and one woman based on the question on the ballot. Parker questioned whether the county can be allowed to stop issuing all marriage licenses. Parker offered his help on the issue. When asked if they would be in support of stopping issuance of licenses altogether, Chairman Skavdahl stated "whatever the clerk wants to do".

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. 77-3443, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners received preliminary property tax requests from the following political subdivisions: Village of Harrison, Harrison Rural Fire Protection District, Sioux County Fair, and Sheep Creek & Farmers Rural Fire. The following resolutions were all adopted by a motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by J.W. Geiser, and passed by roll call vote: Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl yes.

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has the duty of reviewing and either approving or disapproving the levy request of all political subdivisions allowed to levy a tax for tax year 2015-2016 under Neb. Rev. Stat. 77-3443;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Village of Harrison Nebraska, requesting a preliminary tax request for tax year 2015-2016 of \$41,500.00;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Sheep Creek & Farmers Rural Fire. Requesting a preliminary tax request for the year 2015-2016 of 4 mil of certified valuation of Sioux and Scottsbluff Counties for the year 2015-2016;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Harrison Rural Fire Protection District, requesting a preliminary tax request for tax year 2015-2016 of \$40,000.00 plus County Treasurer's Commission of \$800.00 for a total of \$40,800.00 for all other purposes subject to its levy for the year 2015-2016;



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WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Sioux County Fair requesting a preliminary tax request of \$21,400.00 plus County Treasurer's Commission of \$428.00 for a total of \$21,828.00 for all other purposes subject to its levy for the year 2015-2016.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Sioux County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the requested tax requests submitted by the foregoing political subdivisions under Neb. Rev. Stat. 77-3443(8) providing the County with the responsibility of allocating up to fifteen cents of its authority to other political subdivisions subject to allocation of property tax authority under subsection (1) of 77-3443 and not specifically covered in this section to levy taxes as authorized by law which do not collectively exceed fifteen cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation on any parcel or item of taxable property.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to set the date for the 2015-2016 County Budget Hearing on September 1, 2015. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Monthly reports of fees received were filed by County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman.

Nick Sanderson updated the board on spraying he has been doing. Sanderson advised the board that a spring has broken on door of the weed shed. Sanderson has received a quote from Overhead Door to replace the door. The replacement was approved by the board.

Sarah Sanderson met with the board and reported on an estimate she had received to repair the windows in the kitchen in the basement. Sanderson will proceed with the repair.

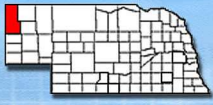
Sheriff Deputy Chad McCumbers met with the board to submit his resume and letter of interest for the Sioux County Sheriff position.

Sheriff Lyle Staudenmaier submitted a letter of resignation effective August 30, 2015. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept the resignation with regrets. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to advertise for the Sioux County Sheriff position. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Jenny Nixon reported that the fair has wrapped up for this year. Nixon also discussed the extension office budget with the board.

County Attorney Edmund is researching the Union Star Cemetery issue.

Jackie Buhr met with the board to express her concerns about the roads in the north part of the county. Buhr's concerns were access, support of commerce and safety. Buhr's have had to adjust grazing plans due to access to their property, and don't feel that they will have access for semi's to move cattle this fall. Buhr stated that school starts in 10 days and safety is most important. Edgemont Road is not safe and Buhr stressed the importance of having it safe. Buhr encouraged the board to contract work out to get the roads safe. Sowbelly Road is not a major artery, Edgemont Road is. Foreman Mathis stated that the guys will not work more than 40 hours and that he doesn't have the manpower. Road Superintendent Thayer talked about projects that are being looked at and contracted out, as far as work on culverts on Edgemont Road. Buhr told the board that Joleen Falkenburg wanted to address the board, but was unable. Falkenburg asked Buhr to speak for her saying that she is unhappy with the roads and does not feel they are getting services provided for the tax they are paying. Buhr stated that we are in the 11<sup>th</sup> hour with school starting and cattle



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shipping and that she hopes to see a blade on Edgemont Road before school starts. The board agreed that we need to keep trying to hire people and to get more rock.

Road Foreman Mathis stated that he hasn't heard anything from FEMA on the flood damage.

Road Superintendent Thayer discussed culverts on Edgemont Road that have issues with them. The culverts qualify for 100% federal aid if they are repaired by October 28. The work can be contracted out. Thayer is meeting with contractors this afternoon to get the projects underway.

Stacey Swinney updated the board on the bridges. Swinney will visit the bridge sites again after the work has been done.

Discussion was held on debris after the floods. County Attorney Edmund stated that the landowner is statutorily responsible to keep their waterways clear of debris.

The board scheduled a special meeting for August 13 at 9:00 a.m. to review contractor's quotes for culverts on Edgemont Road.

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.

A budget workshop was held.

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 September 1, 2015.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk





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SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

September 1, 2015

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on September 1, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J.W. Geiser and Hal Downer, County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman, County Attorney J. Adam Edmund. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Josh Skavdahl 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 Lotton to approve the minutes of the August 3 and 13, 2015 meetings. 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, 30,884.12; Advantage Laser Products, supplies, 415.70; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 145.52; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 134.48; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,019.66/employee share, 1,357.98; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 15,464.36; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/phone, 276.11; 5 Points Service, repair, 190.00; Crawford Clipper, publications, 309.00; Elizabeth Griesse, mileage, 366.85/room, 107.36/meals, 19.70/ supply, 4.99; Herren's Brother's; supplies, 89.95; Information Management Services, data processing, 195.80; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 351.00; Mailfinance, postage meter, 840.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing 1,992.64; Mobius Communications, phone, 195.69; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 712.91; NEA, electric, 439.78; Jennifer Nixon, mileage, 95.45/ supply, 63.64; Panhandle Area Development Dist., dues, 821.60; Quill, supply, 239.79; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 208.62; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,670.61/employee share social security, 1,670.61/county share medicare, 390.70/employee share medicare, 390.70/withholding, 1,821.42; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 308.30; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/phone, 19.95; Staples, office supply, 332.70; Totalfunds by Hasler, postage, 500.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 81.45; USDA – APHIS, predator control, 5,241.45; Viaero, sheriff phone, 135.06; Village of Harrison, utilities, 409.22; Village of Harrison, pool, 1,000.00; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 335.14.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 27,207.42; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 184.71; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 159.16; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,571.74/employee share retirement, 1,047.85; Bauerkempers, supply, 745.91; Bighorn Auto Supply, parts, 9.29; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 11,947.72; Centurylink, internet, 50.16; Contractors Materials, supply, 343.27; Dale's Tire, tire, 1,827.28; Dooley Oil, fuel, 4,339.05; Dan Franks, DOT physical, 125.00; Heilbrun's, parts, 6.66; Herren's, supply, 496.48; Ideal Linen, rugs, 47.90; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 1,765.29; Kaufman Glass, glass, 247.50; Littrel Construction, supply, 1,947.50; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 1,616.43; Mobius Communications, phone, 29.16; Morrill Supply, repairs, 43.78; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 475.01; NE Machinery, repairs, 2,184.50; NEA, electric, 64.38; Norm's Napa, parts, 111.64; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 2,381.23; Powerplan, blade rental, 18,000.00/ parts, 930.60; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,518.54/employee share social security, 1,518.54/county share medicare, 355.14/employee share medicare, 355.14/withholding, 1,226.92; Bill Skavdahl, gravel, 1,185.00; Josh Skavdahl, gravel, 1,185.00; TDS, garbage, 25.00; Team Chevrolet, repair, 31.20; U-Save Mart, fuel, 206.93; Village of Harrison, utility, 78.20; Village of Morrill, electric, 53.27; Z & S Construction, debris removal, 7,680.26.



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LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,241.36; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 34.97; Ameritas, eye ins., 22.28; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 83.79/employee share retirement, 55.86; Centurylink, phone, 138.34 Tralice Ellis, mileage, 155.26; Fire Nebula Web Design, support, 20.00; Herren Bros, supply, 2.58; Ideal Linen, rugs, 24.08; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 14.72; NEA, utilities, 99.78; The Penworthy Co., books, 154.37; Quill Corp., supply, 529.14; Security First Bank, county share social security, 73.41/employee share social security 73.41/county share medicare, 17.17/employee share medicare 17.17/withholding, 41.16; Village of Harrison, utilities, 49.80.

SIOUX CO ENTITLEMENT FUND: Transfer to General Fund, 202,362.00.

INHERITANCE FUND: Transfer to General Fund, 153,374.08.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,297.31; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 31.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 290.07/employee share retirement, 193.38; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 1,876.48; Bluetarp Financial, supply, 73.70; Centurylink, internet, 50.15; Gemppler's, supplies, 252.90; Heritage Seed, chemical, 232.50; Herren Bros., supply, 244.12; Lotton's service & Repair, fuel, 953.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 51.89; Office Depot, supply, 92.30; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 166.75; Security First Bank, county share social security, 241.22/employee share social security, 241.22/county share medicare, 56.41/employee share medicare, 56.41; withholding, 102.84.

Monthly reports of fees received were filed by County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman.

Inventories for the various county offices were presented to the commissioners for their approval. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the inventories as presented. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Nick Sanderson updated the board on weed spraying within the county. Board Chairman Skavdahl asked Sanderson to begin submitting time sheets for himself and Noel Santistevan to the board.

Deputy Sheriff Chad McCumbers updated the board on business he is taking care of in the sheriff's office. McCumbers would like to perform VIN inspections at the south end of the county one day a week. He will attend a VIN inspection class on Sept. 23. McCumbers is going through both Sheriff's department pickups, testing everything. McCumbers stated that he has really enjoyed the job over the last couple of days.

Jenny Nixon updated the board on various extension office activities.

Four applications for Sioux County Sheriff were reviewed by the Board of Commissioners and County Attorney Adam Edmund. The board decided to hold a public meeting on September 24 at 1:00 p.m. to interview all who are certified in Nebraska.

Jackie Buhr met with the board to apologize for offending anyone, especially Gordon Mathis when she met with the board concerning roads last month. Buhr stated that everyone is happy with the Edgemont Road.

Discussion was held on crushing gravel. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to let bids for crushing at various gravel pits in the county. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to let bids on purchasing propane. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.



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Four applications for a full-time road maintenance employee were reviewed. Foreman Mathis recommended hiring Mick Lashley for Road District 3, Southern Sioux County. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to allow Mathis to hire Lashley. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Kim Earnie updated the board on the progress on the Montrose Bridge.

Road Superintendent Thayer discussed Topkote armor coating the end of Monroe Canyon Road.

Stacey Swinney discussed the bridge inspections he has performed. The final report is due October 1. Swinney stated that a lot of work has been done, but signs need to be installed on 15 of the bridges.

Road Foreman Mathis discussed putting the lease money that we have paid to Murphy Tractor toward purchasing the blade. The purchase was not allowed for in the budget, no action was taken.

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.

A public hearing was opened at 1:15 to hear public comment on the 2015-2016 Sioux County Budget. Hearing no comments from the public, the hearing was closed at 1:20.

## RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION AND APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, prepared by the Budget Making Authority, was transmitted to the County Board on the 1st day of September, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Sioux County, Nebraska, as follows:

SECTION 1: That the budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, as categorically evidenced by the Budget Document be, and the same hereby is, adopted as the Budget for Sioux County for said fiscal year.

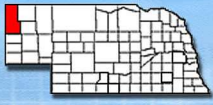
SECTION 2: That the offices, departments, activities and institutions herein named are hereby authorized to expend the amounts herein appropriated to them during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016.

SECTION 3: That the income necessary to finance the appropriations made and the expenditures authorized shall be provided out of the unencumbered cash balance in each fund, revenues, other than taxation, to be collected during the fiscal year in each fund, and tax levy requirements for each fund.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. The 2015-2016 Sioux County Budget will require a Property Tax Request of \$890,000.00, resulting in a proposed tax rate of .163478. Motion made by Hal Downer to approve the 2015-2016 budget, seconded by J.W. Geiser. On roll call vote: Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was also made by J.W. Geiser, seconded by Hal Downer, to approve an additional one percent increase in the base limitation of restricted funds. Roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:25 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet October 1, 2015.



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/s/Joshua Skavdahl

Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman

Sioux County Clerk