

Sioux County Board Minutes



Sioux County Board of Commissioners

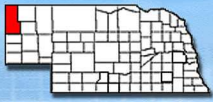
Harrison, Nebraska

January 4, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room January 4, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl and Hal Downer. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2020 meeting. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 40,160.14; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,616.25/employee share, 1,771.00; Berggren Architects, lighting project, 3,000.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Bytes Computer Solutions, e-mail, 195.08; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 227.55; Crawford Clipper, publications, 177.96; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Dennelle Fischer, supplies, 21.39; Ronda Flower, court costs, 830.00; Kreider Insurance, bond, 286.00; Lincoln Law, LLC, court fees, 1,481.00; Dexter Mathis, deductible reimbursement, 2,500.00; Chad McCumbers, supplies, 472.88; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,248.72; Mobius Communications, phone service, 227.69; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; Garrette Naillon, mileage, 440.45; National Association of Counties, dues, 450.00; NE Law Enforcement Training Center, training expense, 235.50; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,044.14; NEA, electricity, 1,429.38; Nossaman, Pettitt Law Firm, PC, court appointed attorney, 281.80; Outlaw Printers, supplies, 125.34; Panhandle County Assessors Association, dues, 75.00; Quadient Finance, USA, Inc., postage, 500.00; Quadient Leasing USA, Inc., postage meter lease, 840.00; Radar Shop, supplies, 172.00; Region I Behavioral Health Authority, dues, 20.00; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 395.65; RR Donnelley, supplies, 93.04; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 296.58; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,201.29/employee share social security, 2,201.29/county share medicare 514.83/employee share medicare, 514.83/ withholding, 2,182.54; Sioux County Clerk of District Court, court fees, 126.00/check charge 32.25; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Josh Skavdahl, mileage, 759.00; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 22.94; LeAnne Skavdahl, supplies, 110.00; Joe Stecher, deductible reimbursement, 319.62; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 5,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 33.12; Viaero Wireless, phone, 95.52; Village of Harrison, utilities, 339.84; Vistabeam, internet, 131.90; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 80.50.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 33,816.58; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,142.39/employee share retirement, 1,428.22; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 16,563.52; Castro Roofing, repair roof, 400.00; Centurylink, internet, 57.18; Contractors Materials, supplies, 59.85; Crawford Clipper, ad, 120.22; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, 1,629.61; Fire & Ice Mechanical, repairs, 201.25; Sammy Gomez, lease, 1,000.00; Herren's, supply, 252.87; Ideal Linen, rugs, 35.30; Manley Welding, repairs, 105.00; Mark Hydraulic, parts, 520.81; Mitchell's Upholstery & Embroidery, seat repair, 42.50; Morrill Hardware, repairs, 38.94; Morrill Supply, supplies, 46.18; Motor Fuel Division, fuel tax, 423.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 664.10; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 3,880.71; Nebraskaland Tire, tires, 3,088.00; NEA, electric, 77.12; Panhandle Coop System, fuel, 1,033.43; James Phipps, fuel, 50.00; Powerplan, repairs, 880.88; Pine Ridge



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Service Center, fuel, 3,843.16; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,853.43/employee share social security, 1,853.43/county share medicare, 433.47/employee share medicare, 433.47/withholding, 1,201.71; Sioux County Treasurer, title, 10.00; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 303.58; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 29.3; Village of Harrison, utility, 92.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 91.17.

VISITOR PROMOTIONS FUND: Crawford Clipper, ad, 30.03.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,317.69; Amazon, supplies, 116.16; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 88.94/employee share retirement, 59.30; Centurylink, phone/internet, 150.11; Collaborative Summer Library Program, supplies, 218.39; Crawford Clipper, notice, 8.50; Junior Library Guild, supplies, 395.80; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 56.63; NEA, electricity, 155.72; The Penworthy Company, supplies, 106.14; Security First Bank, county share social security, 81.70/employee share social security 81.70/county share medicare, 19.11/employee share medicare 19.11/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 57.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,201.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 216.07/employee share retirement, 144.05; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 57.19; Herren Brothers, supplies, 42.90; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 30.51; Office Depot, supplies, 62.98; Security First Bank, county share social security, 170.52/employee share social security, 170.52/county share medicare, 39.88/employee share medicare, 39.88/ withholding, 150.00.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer updated the county financial status to the board.

Nick Sanderson submitted the annual weed control plan to the board.

LeAnne Skavdahl provided the board with a monthly financial report for the sheriff's office. She is working on the monthly activity report, and will provide it to the newspaper, and post it on the courthouse bulletin board.

Jenny Nixon met with the board and updated them on extension programs. The 4-H enrollment has increased by 60%. Commissioner Skavdahl asked Nixon if she could research protein supplements for cattle that are most cost effective.

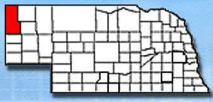
Jenny Nixon reported for the Sioux County Travel and Tourism Board. The board granted \$225 to NW Nebraska Travel guide for advertisement. Shop Hometown Harrison received \$400 for advertising on the radio and newspapers.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to approve an easement for NEA behind the sale barn. On roll call vote, Skavdahl, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by Josh Skavdahl to appoint Joshua Skavdahl as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for 2021. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Skavdahl, seconded by Downer to designate sioux.mipsweb.info as the county's official website for 2021 On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to designate the Crawford Clipper/Harrison Sun as the county's official newspaper for all publications for 2021. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.



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Motion made by Skavdahl, seconded by Downer to approve Security First Bank as the county depository for 2021. Upon roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Upon a motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl, the following appointments were adopted for 2021.

Aging Agency of Western Nebraska – Rep. Allerton Hal Downer, alternate Joshua Skavdahl; Region 1 Office of Human Development – Rep. Joshua Skavdahl, alternate Allerton Hal Downer; Panhandle Development Disabilities Services – Joshua Skavdahl, alternate Allerton Hal Downer; Panhandle Mental Health Board – Rep. Allerton Hal Downer, alternate Joshua Skavdahl; Panhandle Public Health District – Rep. Allerton Hal Downer and Jackie Delatour; Solid Waste Agency of Northwest Nebraska – Rep. J.W. Geiser, alternate Allerton Hal Downer; Northwest Community Action Board – Rep. J.W. Geiser, alternate Allerton Hal Downer or Josh Skavdahl; Region 23 Emergency Management board – Rep. J.W. Geiser, alternate Allerton Hal Downer or Joshua Skavdahl; Panhandle Resource Conservation & Development Board – Rep. Josh Skavdahl, alternate Allerton Hal Downer. PADD – Rep. Josh Skavdahl, alternate Hal Downer.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the following Legal Holidays:

New Year's Day– Friday, January 1, 2021

Martin Luther King, Jr., Day – Monday, January 18, 2021

President's Day – Monday, February 15, 2021

Arbor Day – Friday, April 30, 2021

Memorial Day – Monday, May 31, 2021

Independence Day – Monday, July 5, 2021 (observed)

Labor Day – Monday, September 6, 2021

Veteran's Day – Wednesday, November 11, 2021

Thanksgiving – Thursday, November 25, 2021

Friday following Thanksgiving – Friday, November 26, 2021

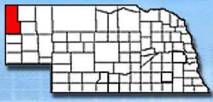
Christmas Eve – Friday, December 24, 2021

New Year's Day -Friday, December 31, 2021 (observed)

And all days declared by law or proclamation of the Governor to be a holiday according to Neb. Rev. Stat. 84-1001 (3), "For purposes of this Section, paid holidays shall include all of the days enumerated in Section 25-2221 and all days declared by law or proclamation of the President or Governor to be holidays." Exceptions may include law enforcement, security, military and employees engaged in other essential functions, such as 24-hour facilities.

On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to give employees a 3% cost of living raise for 2021. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.



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The board regretfully accepted the retirement/ resignation of Gary Thayer, Road Superintendent effective December 31, 2020. The board thanked Thayer for his 37 plus years of service to Sioux County. His work has been greatly appreciated.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to appoint Jim Phipps Road Superintendent, effective immediately. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Phipps updated the board stating that the FEMA work is nearly complete. Big Iron has sold the tractor and truck. Phipps also gave updates on the Indian Creek Road issue, snow plowing at Agate Fossil Beds, and gravel.

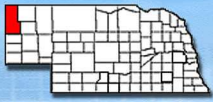
Phipps reported that the road employees are working hard and are getting the job done. Chairman Skavdahl stated that the employees are happy with Phipps as well.

The board adjourned for a lunch recess at 12:10.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet February 1, 2021.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk



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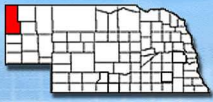
Harrison, Nebraska

February 1, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room February 1, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J.W. Geiser and Hal Downer. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Tim Kreider opened the meeting in prayer. 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 January 4, 2021 meeting. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 42,006.43; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,703.40/employee share, 1,829.94; Sarah Bannan, deductible reimbursement, 1,250.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Blue 360 Media, manual, 81.75; Laura Button, mileage, 89.84; Bytes Computer Solutions, e-mail, 178.00; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 229.94; Crawford Clipper, publications, 188.92; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Government Forms & Supplies, stamps, 258.00; Independent Plumbing & Heating, water fountain, 1,316.00; Lacy Klein, mileage, 78.40; Lotton's Service, parts, 35.00; Chad McCumbers, postage, supplies, 55.20; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,766.28; Mobius Communications, phone service, 229.40; MOCIC, membership, 100.00; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NE Clerks of District Court Assn, dues, 50.00; NE Law Enforcement Training Center, training expense, 200.00; NE Public Health Environmental Lab, testing, 105.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,112.66; NEA, electricity, 1,902.57; Jenny Nixon, reimbursement, 23.84; Nossaman, Petitt Law Firm, PC, court appointed attorney, 120.75; Office Depot, supplies, 103.98; Panhandle Treasurer's Assn., dues, 20.00; Panhandle District County Officials, dues, 350.00; Quality Power & Control Electric, FD generator, 6,915.30; Quill, supplies, 189.55; Amy Ragsdale, transcript, 247.00; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 1,012.76; Roanco Sprinklers, maintenance, 382.80; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 212.79; Sayler Screenprinting, printing, 35.50; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,315.76/employee share social security, 2,315.76/county share medicare 541.58/employee share medicare, 541.58/ withholding, 2,238.45; Security First Bank, box rent, 17.00; Sioux County Court, court fees, 17.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.69; Smith, King & Simmons, court-appointed attorney, 100.00; Staples, supplies, 52.47; Transfer to Library Fund, 4,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 6,000.00; UNL, reimbursement, 29.99; USDA,APHIS, predator control contract, 6,590.13; Viaero Wireless, phone, 107.84; Village of Harrison, swimming pool, 1,000.00; Vistabeam, internet, 68.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 381.59.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 34,118.31; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,067.02/employee share retirement, 1,378.06; Beguin Propane, propane, 1,238.09; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 16,563.52; Bytes Computer Solutions, computer, 1,019.98; Centurylink, internet, 59.21; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, 3,447.89; Floyd's Truck Center, supplies, 823.67; Frank Parts, parts, 124.44; Sammy Gomez, lease, 1,000.00; Groskopf Manufacturing, parts, 888.96; Herren's, supply, 87.13; Horse Creek Tire, repairs, 76.00; Ideal Linen, rugs, 35.30; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 205.18; JA Traffic Products, supplies, 1,450.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, repairs, 79.90; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 692.19; NE Dept of



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Transportation, salt sand, 387.00; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 425.18; NEA, electric, 189.80; Office Depot, supplies, 127.72; Panhandle Coop System, fuel, 400.80; James Phipps, supplies, 289.99; Powerplan, repairs, 1,282.84; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 8,611.94; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,872.13/employee share social security, 1,872.13/county share medicare, 437.85/employee share medicare, 437.85/withholding, 1,228.10; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 393.82; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 30.00; Gary Thayer, mileage, 697.48; U-Save Mart, fuel, 57.72; Village of Morrill, electric, 98.34, WPCI, drug testing, 220.00; Westco, fuel, 495.18; Donna Sue Willey, supplies, 25.00.

VISITOR IMPROVEMENT GRANT FUND, Chadrad Communications, ad, 500.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,508.10; Amazon, supplies, 1,136.38; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 101.80/employee share retirement, 67.86; Centurylink, phone/internet, 164.71; Herren's, supplies, 27.57; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 50.72; NEA, electricity, 234.16; Quill, supplies, 80.49; Roanco Sprinklers, maintenance, 176.97; Security First Bank, county share social security, 93.50/employee share social security 93.50/county share medicare, 21.87/employee share medicare 21.87/withholding, 100.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,297.13; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 222.56/employee share retirement, 148.37; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 59.22; Herren Brothers, supplies, 42.73; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 37.00; NE Weed Control Association, dues, 125.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 33.46; Office Depot, supplies, 127.72; Security First Bank, county share social security, 176.47/employee share social security, 176.47/county share medicare, 41.27/employee share medicare, 41.27/ withholding, 150.00.

Tim Kreider and Justin Tollman gave an update on county insurance for 2021. The courthouse replacement value has been updated, causing an increase in premium.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports. The clerk and board toured the courthouse, inspecting the ongoing lighting project.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer updated the county financial status to the board.

Sheriff McCumbers provided the board with a monthly financial report. Garrette Naillon will be attending the academy in May, so the tuition will fall into the next budget cycle. Sheriff McCumbers will start a new lease payment on a vehicle this budget cycle. Garrette and LeAnne will be attending VIN training February 24.

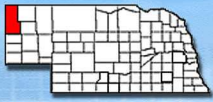
Jenny Nixon met with the board and updated them on extension programs.

Discussion was held on moving the county court office upstairs to the office occupied by the Village of Harrison, and moving the village office to the main floor into the current county court office.

Correspondence was read from Jim and Mae Dunn, giving thanks for road work done on Pleasant Ridge Road.

County Attorney Edmund reviewed a change order for the lighting project with the board. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the change order. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve Resolution 2021-1, a Region 23 Emergency Management Agency Hazard Mitigation Plan Update. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.



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Road Superintendent Phipps updated the board on the Indian Creek Road issue. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to direct Phipps to do a road study on the vacation of a portion of Indian Creek Road. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to add the salary that Road Superintendent Thayer had been receiving to Jim Phipps' salary due to his appointment as Sioux County Road Superintendent. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Mike Manley met with the board to offer 10,000 yards of gravel for sale for \$8.00 per square yard. Superintendent Phipps stated that we are paying \$5.16 to crush gravel, and we can't give Manley more than that. Manley would like to give the county four or five loads to try.

A new computer has been purchased for the road department.

The One and Six Year road plan was discussed. The FEMA road work is complete.

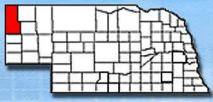
Jory Geiser asked about a machine to drag the roads. Geiser would be willing to operate the equipment necessary.

The board adjourned for a lunch recess at 12:05.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet March 1, 2021.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk



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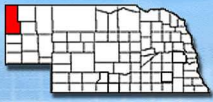
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March 1, 2021

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ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 34,437.62; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2220.70/employee share retirement, 1,480.53; Beguin Propane, propane, 609.57; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 16,563.52; Cody Bruegger, welding, 112.50; Donald Brush, survey, 487.50; Centurylink, internet, 61.05; Contractor Services, supplies, 92.00; Crawford Clipper, publication, 18.41; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, 1,145.73; Floyd's Truck Center, supplies, 92.95; Dan Franks, tool box, 64.00; Sammy Gomez, lease, 1,000.00; Herren's, supply, 1,047.65; Ideal Linen, rugs, 35.30; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 88.88; JWG, Inc. supplies, 1,880.00; Kreider Insurance, insurance, 60,244.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, repairs, 919.30; Mark Chrisman Trucking, gravel crushing, 28,496.00; NE Safety & Fire Equipment, fire extinguishers, 21.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 779.89; Nebraskaland Tire, supplies, 56.00; NEA, electric, 103.83; Powerplan, repairs, 2,974.59;



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Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 6,624.58; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,891.92/employee share social security, 1,891.92/county share medicare, 442.48/employee share medicare, 442.48/withholding, 1,480.93; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 266.12; Jeannie Staman, gravel, 14,420.00; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 314.74; Village of Harrison, utilities, 193.30; Village of Morrill, electric, 125.65, Westco, fuel, 719.19; Donna Sue Willey, supplies, 162.84.

VISITOR IMPROVEMENT GRANT FUND, Crawford Clipper, ad, 18.40; Katie Reece, tourism grant, 100.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,586.93; Amazon, supplies, 1,451.01; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 107.12/employee share retirement, 71.41; Centurylink, phone/internet, 151.94; Crawford Clipper, ad, 6.65; Kreider Insurance, insurance, 1,349.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 52.42; NEA, electricity, 238.40; Security First Bank, county share social security, 98.39/employee share social security 98.39/county share medicare, 23.01/employee share medicare 23.01/withholding, 100.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,297.13; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 222.56/employee share retirement, 148.37; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 61.05; Herren Brothers, supplies, 79.00; Kreider Insurance, insurance, 5,029.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 33.46; Nick Sanderson, reimbursement, 131.86; Security First Bank, county share social security, 176.47/employee share social security, 176.47/county share medicare, 41.27/employee share medicare, 41.27/ withholding, 150.00.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer updated the county financial status to the board.

Nick Sanderson updated the board. Spring weed training has been cancelled. Sanderson shared a new weeds watchlist. Sanderson will get costs together for budgeting for a new spray pickup.

Sheriff McCumbers provided the board with a monthly financial report. McCumbers has ordered a new 2021 Ram pickup. Garrette and LeAnne are certified to perform VIN inspections. McCumbers has been approved for DOT grants for equipment, and the USDA contract for patrolling has been set up the same as it was previously.

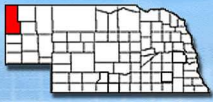
Jenny Nixon met with the board and updated them on a 4-H calendar of events. Nixon said that Randy Ellis does a good job with shooting sports. Pesticide training is March 17 at the firehall. Registration is required.

Faith Mills, Panhandle Partnership, Inc. met with the board to discuss the Nebraska Panhandle Comprehensive Juvenile Services Community Plan. The plan allows the county to apply for \$5,000 for juvenile services. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for Juvenile Services. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

County Attorney Edmund reviewed a Request for Information from Triangle Electric regarding exit lights and fire escapes in the courthouse. Pat Gould will be contacted to review the issues.

Road Superintendent Phipps updated the board on projects that the road department is currently working on.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the carry-over of 16 hours of vacation time for Lyle Claussen. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer



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to approve the carry-over of 43 hours of vacation time for Bill Mack. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Phipps updated the board on the Indian Creek Road issue. A Road study was submitted by Phipps for the vacation of a portion of Indian Creek Road. A resolution for setting a hearing for vacation of portion of the road will be on the April 1 agenda.

The board adjourned for a lunch recess at 11:55.

A public hearing was held at 1:15 for the purpose of reviewing the One and Six Year Road Plan. Members of the public attending the hearing were Dan and Allen Jordan, and Jim Dunn. Road Superintendent Phipps presented a summary of projects, and items were discussed. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to close the public hearing, and open back into regular session.

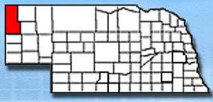
Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept the One and Six Year Road Plan as presented. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Allen Jordan updated the board on current legislative issues.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet April 1, 2021.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk



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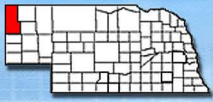
Harrison, Nebraska

April 1, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room April 1, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Hal Downer, Josh Skavdahl and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2021 meeting. 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, 41,945.08; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,682.93/employee share, 1,814.97; Berggren Architects, lighting project, 1,837.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Bytes Computer Solutions, e-mail, 103.32; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 230.40; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 174.84; Herren's, supplies, 18.39; Hose Creek Tire, repair, 46.35 Lacy Klein, mileage, 156.80/supplies, 350.94; Lotton's Service, fuel, 37.60; Marshall & Swift/Boeckh, handbook, 371.95; Chad McCumbers, fuel, supplies, 78.39; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 3,662.47; Mobius Communications, phone service, 229.40; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, registration, 50.00; NE Assn. of County Treasurers, workshop, 315.00; NE Safety & Fire Equipment, service, 61.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,110.47; Nextoner, supplies, 240.77; NEA, electricity, 2,055.73; Shawn Noon, supplies, 342.90; Outlaw Printers, supplies, 57.99; Quadient Leasing USA, Inc., postage, 840.00; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 227.85; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 139.86; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,324.74/employee share social security, 2,324.74/county share medicare 527.90/employee share medicare, 527.90/ withholding, 2,237.96; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.69/subscription, 35.00; Transfer to Library Fund, 5,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 6,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 20,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 24.02; UNL, Lincoln, workshop, 200.00; Viaero Wireless, phone, 113.34; Village of Harrison, utilities, 339.84; Vistabeam, internet, 68.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 78.40.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 34,171.37; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,242.21/employee share retirement, 1,494.87; Beguin Propane, propane, 1,045.98; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 16,563.52; Centurylink, internet, 59.35; Contractor Materials, supplies, 92.00; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, 2,279.96; Floyd's Truck Center, supplies, 83.14; Sammy Gomez, lease, 1,000.00; Herren's, supply, 304.22; Ideal Linen, rugs, 35.30; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 194.64; Kaufman Glass, repairs, 211.20; Lotton's Service & Repair, repairs, 16.20; Mark Hydraulic, repairs, 25.00; Morrill Hardware, supplies, 88.44; Morrill Supply, parts, 64.23; Motor Fuel Division, fuel tax, 297.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 777.95; NE Dept. of Transportation, supplies, 420.75; UNL, Lincoln, class fee, 250.00; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 2,477.38; Nebraskaland Tire, supplies, 2,733.68; NEA, electric, 264.32; Northwest Auto Body & Paint, repairs, 159.22; James Phipps, workshop, 50.00; Powerplan, repairs, 1,828.38; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 7,315.19; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,875.41/employee share social security, 1,875.41/county share medicare, 438.62/employee share medicare, 438.62/withholding, 1,480.93; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 824.22; TDS Environmental



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Services, garbage, 35.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 205.82; Village of Harrison, utilities, 100.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 97.39, Westco, fuel, 973.86; Donna Sue Willey, supplies, 162.84.

VISITOR PROMOTIONS FUND: Chradrad Communications, ad, 300.00.

VISITOR IMPROVEMENT GRANT FUND: Chradrad Communications, ad, 300.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,562.94; Amazon, supplies, 717.46; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 105.50/employee share retirement, 70.33; Centurylink, phone/internet, 151.94; Demco, supplies, 208.10; Junior Library Guild, books, 234.00; Kapco, supplies, 79.99; Mid America Books, books, 230.54; MPC Heating & Cooling, repairs, 210.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 51.91; NEA, electricity, 302.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 96.90/employee share social security 96.90/county share medicare, 22.66/employee share medicare 22.66/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, water, 55.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,297.13; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 222.56/employee share retirement, 148.37; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 59.35; Herren Brothers, supplies, 75.93; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 33.46; Nick Sanderson, reimbursement, 42.07; Security First Bank, county share social security, 176.47/employee share social security, 176.47/county share medicare, 41.27/employee share medicare, 41.27/withholding, 150.00.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports. Resolution 2021-2 was approved by a motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer updated the county financial status to the board. Klein presented Resolution 2012-3, a resolution to add a fund code for the COVID American Rescue Plan. The Federal Government funds distributed to the counties must be maintained in a fund separate from all other funds. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the Resolution. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Nick Sanderson updated the board on recent activities.

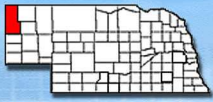
Jenny Nixon met with the board and updated them on the robotics team. The team participated in the state contest in Grand Island and received an innovation award.

Resolution 2021-4 was reviewed. The resolution sets a public hearing for vacation of a portion of Indian Creek Road to be held on May 3 at 11:30 a.m. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the resolution. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

A breakdown of extra costs associated with the lighting project was reviewed. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the additional work and cost. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Chet Ellsworth discussed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 with the board.

Jessica Turbiville was present as the board discussed resolutions regarding 2nd amendment support and the "30 x 30" program. County Attorney Edmund will review the resolutions, and the item will be on the May 3 agenda.



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Road Superintendent Phipps advised the board that he has found a 2006 snow plow truck that is NE DOT surplus for \$22,000 plus \$500 for a plow, \$100 for a sander, and \$100 for a wing. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the purchase of the truck. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on reviewing the counties personnel policy.

At 11:52 a.m. a motion to enter inter executive session regarding a personnel issue was made by Downer, seconded by Geiser. Roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. At 12:05 p.m. a motion to reconvene to regular session with no action taken during executive session was made by Geiser, seconded by Downer. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

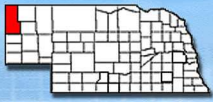
The board adjourned for a lunch recess at 12:05.

Mike Kesselring and Hagen Glass representatives met with the board to discuss the back doors of the courthouse. The doors are not handicap accessible, and discussion was held on replacement of the doors. Hagen Glass will provide an estimate on handicap accessible doors for the courthouse, as well as a fire escape door or window on the second floor.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 2:18 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet May 3, 2021.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk



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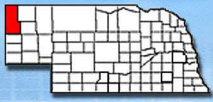
Harrison, Nebraska

May 3, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room May 3, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Hal Downer, Josh Skavdahl and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. J.W. Geiser opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2021 meeting. 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, 42,728.01; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,828.66/employee share, 1,919.83; Berggren Architects, lighting project, 4,288.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Bytes Computer Solutions, e-mail, 182.38; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 231.26; Crawford Clipper, publications, 141.44; Creative Product Source, Inc., supplies, 442.19; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; DeLage Landen Public Finance, pickup lease, 6,221.71; Government Forms & Supplies, stamp, 53.00; David Howell, mileage, 56.00; Steve Johnson, mileage, 56.00; Lacy Klein, mileage, 78.40; Linstar, supplies, 252.40; Lotton's Service, fuel, service, 729.12; Chad McCumbers, room, supplies, 294.85; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,264.72; Mobius Communications, phone service, 229.98; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, registrations, 665.00; Garrette Naillon, mileage, meals, 222.45; NE Law Enforcement Training Center, training, 135.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,106.28; NEA, electricity, 1,486.31 Quadient Finance USA, Inc., postage, 500.00; Quill, supplies, 146.94; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 868.74; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 168.86; Sayler Screenprinting, supplies, 35.50; Scottsbluff County Detention Center, jail costs, 10,676.70; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,360.49/employee share social security, 2,360.49/county share medicare 552.04/employee share medicare, 552.04/ withholding, 2,272.97; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Sioux County Treasurer, voided checks, 500.00; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.69/postage, 14.00; LeAnne Skavdahl, supplies, 42.46; Staples, supplies, 183.78; Transfer to Library Fund, 8,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 8,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 40,000.00; Triangle Electric, lighting project, 42,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 49.03; UNL Extension, Box Butte County, mileage, 42.39; USDA, APHIS, Wildlife Services, predator control, 5,631.83; Viaero Wireless, phone, 101.50; Village of Harrison, utilities, 339.84; Vistabeam, internet, 68.95; Watchguard Video, video system, 5,355.00; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 78.40.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 33,742.74 AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,252.97/employee share retirement, 1,502.04; B & C Steel, supplies, 127.33; Steve Bauersachs, labor, 100.00; Beguin Propane, propane, 473.85; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 16,563.52; Centurylink, internet, 59.42; Conequip Parts & Equipment, LLC, parts, 287.05; DAS State Accounting, snow plow truck, 22,700.00; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, 3,056.06; Floyd's Truck Center, supplies, 76.02; Frank Parts, parts, 53.98; Sammy Gomez, lease, 1,000.00; Herren's, supply, 1,336.43; Ideal Linen, rugs, 35.30; Kreider Insurance, insurance, 1,078.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, repairs, 182.50; Mark Chrisman Trucking, gravel screening, 18,309.00; Morrill Supply, parts, 39.09; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 775.95; Nebraska



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Machinery, repairs, 4,841.84; NEA, electric, 109.45; James Phipps, meals, dues, fuel, 497.98; Powerplan, repairs, 2,834.07; Bobby Reece, DOT physical reimbursement, 100.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 9,158.68; Scottsbluff Co. Highway and Bridge, repairs, 114.24; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,848.84/employee share social security, 1,848.84/county share medicare, 432.40/employee share medicare, 432.40/withholding, 1,480.27; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 185.43; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 30.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 71.15; Village of Harrison, utilities, 100.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 94.96, Westco, fuel, 706.23.

VISITOR PROMOTIONS FUND: Sioux County Treasurer, voided check, 100.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,744.60; Amazon, supplies, 539.15; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 117.76/employee share retirement, 78.51; Centurylink, phone/internet, 165.43; Crawford Clipper, ad, 7.82; Herren's, supplies, 19.86; Junior Library Guild, books, 322.50; Morford's Decorating Center, bathroom repairs, 6,268.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 55.83; NEA, electricity, 215.08; Jeff Quinn, summer reading program, 375.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 108.17/employee share social security 108.17/county share medicare, 25.30/employee share medicare 25.30/withholding, 100.00; Theatre West, program, 50.00; Village of Harrison, water, 57.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,297.13; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 222.56/employee share retirement, 148.37; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 59.43; Heritage Seed, chemical, 1,724.00; Herren Brothers, supplies, 38.97; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 33.46; Security First Bank, county share social security, 176.47/employee share social security, 176.47/county share medicare, 41.27/employee share medicare, 41.27/ withholding, 150.00.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to amend the agenda to include review and approval of Articles of Incorporation for Aging Office of Western Nebraska. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Chet Ellsworth submitted written comment to each board member and to the clerk regarding the April 1, 2021 minutes as to Resolution 2021-3, establishment of American Rescue Act fund.

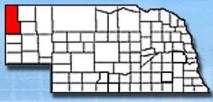
Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports. Discussion of the 3.28% increase in Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance was held.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer updated the county financial status to the board.

Nick Sanderson updated the board on recent activities. Sanderson reviewed the assessment of Sioux County's compliance with The Nebraska Noxious Weed Control Act during 2020 with the board. Repairs on the weed shop roof were discussed.

Sheriff McCumbers submitted a monthly financial report to the board. Garrette Naillon is in training now. The new pickup McCumbers has ordered is delayed. The new camera system has arrived, and grant money is on its way. Deputy Murphy is working out well. The USDA contract is being reviewed with County Attorney Edmund. Trainings were discussed. The next call summary submitted will be for March and April.

Jenny Nixon provided the board with a calendar of events for the Extension office.



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Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve Resolution 2021-5, a resolution supporting the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Full text of the resolution can be viewed at the Sioux County Clerk's office.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve Resolution 2021-6, a resolution opposing President Biden's Executive Order 14008, Section 216, called the "30 x 30" program. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Full text of the resolution can be viewed at the Sioux County Clerk's office.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the Bobby Reece's requested vacation carry over time of 29 hours. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavahl, yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on moving the electrical service in the alley behind the courthouse in order to improve the handicap accessibility issue. The option of pouring more cement, making an extended cement slab instead was discussed.

A public hearing to hear comments on the vacation of a portion of Indian Creek Road was opened at 11:30 a.m. Tim Buskirk and Jodi Thomsen attended the hearing. Road Superintendent Phipps explained that due to maintenance and repair issues we are potentially encountering, a solution would be to vacate 3.3 miles of Indian Creek Road to the state line. Spearhead Ranch, LLC is the only land owner adjacent to the road. Jodi Thomsen asked if you close the road, can we put a locked gate across it? County Attorney Edmund stated yes, it would not be a county issue once closed. Tim Buskirk, Forest Service District Ranger advised that the forest service uses the road, and has talked to his superiors regarding costs for repairs. They may be able to cost share. Hunter and staff access were issues, as well as fire access. Buskirk will discuss with the issue with NE Game and Parks as well. Superintendent Phipps will work with the property owner, and the forest service. The public hearing was closed at 11:47.

Stacey Swinney was unable to attend the meeting, but sent proposals regarding work on Sand Creek Bridge and Geiser South bridges.

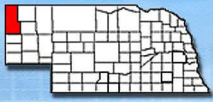
Road Superintendent Phipps updated the board on gravel crushing and other current road activities.

The board adjourned for a lunch recess at 12:05.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet June 1, 2021.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk



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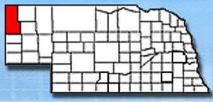
Harrison, Nebraska

June 1, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room June 1, 2021 at 9:50 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Hal Downer, Josh Skavdahl and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Hal Downer opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2021 meeting. 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, 43,269.05; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,819.81/employee share, 1,911.24; Berggren Architects, lighting project, 1,225.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Don Brush, survey, 2,469.67; Bytes Computer Solutions, e-mail, 182.38; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 231.40; Consolidated Management, meals, 222.77; Crawford Clipper, publications, 229.75; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 262.84; Dennelle Fischer, notary fee, 30.00; Dan Franks, BC/BS deductible reimbursement, 1,250.00; GWorks, GIS contract, 9,950.00; Herren's, supplies, 14.99; Horse Creek Tire, repair, 70.92; Kreider Insurance, bond, 40.00; Chad McCumbers, room, supplies, mileage, 1,035.56; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,264.72; Mobius Communications, phone service, 229.98; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACEB, dues, 100.00; NACO, dues, 1,176.46; Garrette Naillon, mileage, 406.56; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,135.97; Nebraska Total Office, supplies, 82.00; NEA, electricity, 1,202.09; Jennifer Nixon, mileage, 58.24; Pritchard & Abbott, Inc., mineral appraisal, 280.00; Quadient Finance USA, Inc., postage, 500.00; Quill, supplies, 252.25; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 537.76; Ruart Motors, pickup lease, 9,870.07; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 207.35; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,394.04/employee share social security, 2,394.04/county share medicare 559.89/employee share medicare, 559.89/ withholding, 2,239.05; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.69/ dues, 1,175.00; LeAnne Skavdahl, postage, 16.55; Staples, supplies, 53.68; Joe Stecher, BC/BS deductible reimbursement, 1,054.09; Transfer to Library Fund, 1,200.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 6,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 170,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 98.50; Viaero Wireless, phone, 93.07; Village of Harrison, utilities, 381.84; Vistabeam, internet, 68.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 384.16/meals, 20.98.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 33,659.12 AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,253.40/employee share retirement, 1,502.33; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 16,563.52; Don Brush, survey, 750.00; Centurylink, internet, 59.55; Contractors Materials, supplies, 185.60; Dale's Tire & Retreading, Inc., repairs, 2,092.82; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, 1,883.57; Floyd's Truck Center, supplies, 40.86; Frank Parts, parts, 53.98; Kreider Insurance Agency, insurance, 1,473.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, repairs, 8.10; Matheson Tri-Gas, supplies, 16.91; Morrill Supply, parts, 9.48; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 776.09; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 7,957.84; NEA, electric, 78.08; James Phipps, meals, fuel, 89.90; Powerplan, repairs, 467.28; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 5,321.27; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,843.66/employee share social security, 1,843.66/county share medicare, 431.19/employee share medicare, 431.19/withholding, 1,480.27; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 768.95; Chase Staudenmaier, gravel, 500.00; TDS Environmental



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Services, garbage, 30.00; Transfer to Special Road Fund, 100,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 310.44; Village of Harrison, utilities, 94.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 89.95, WCPI, drug testing, 95.00; Westco, fuel, 324.23.

VISITOR PROMOTIONS FUND: Crawford Clipper, tourism ad, 18.40.

REGISTER OF DEEDS P & M FUND: Redfield Direct, LLC, recording books, 1,803.42.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,124.22; Amazon, supplies, 356.18; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 75.88/employee share retirement, 50.59; Bluffs Facility Solutions, supplies, 84.98; Centurylink, phone/internet, 152.50; Herren's, supplies, 88.06; Junior Library Guild, books, 128.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 53.85; NEA, electricity, 174.80; Security First Bank, county share social security, 69.70/employee share social security 69.70/county share medicare, 16.30/employee share medicare 16.30/withholding, 100.00; Synchrony Bank, supplies, 3.55; Village of Harrison, water, 63.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,097.13; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 276.56/employee share retirement, 184.37; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Capital One Trade Credit, supplies, 17.08; Centurylink, internet, 59.55; Crawford Clipper, ad, 99.00; Heritage Seed, chemical, 660.90; Herren Brothers, supplies, 141.02; Lotton's, fuel, 73.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 42.81; Panhandle Weed Control Assn, dues, 50.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 226.07/employee share social security, 26.07/county share medicare, 52.87/employee share medicare, 52.87/withholding, 157.65; Sioux County Clerk, plat maps, 80.25.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the updated Articles of Incorporation for Aging Office of Western Nebraska. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the BC/BS deductible of \$1,500 per person. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

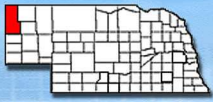
Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to appoint Michelle Zimmerman budget making authority for the 2021-2022 budget. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer updated the county financial status to the board.

Sheriff McCumbers submitted a monthly financial report to the board. Garrette Naillon is doing well in training. The new pickup McCumbers has ordered is delayed. The Watchguard grant of \$3,500 should be received soon. McCumbers will be getting a quote for roof repairs on the old jail. Communications options were discussed. Brandon Loy has donated his hours this fiscal year.

Jenny Nixon provided the board with a calendar of events for the Extension office. Two interns will be starting soon. Thirty kids are registered for 4-H this year. The Extension Office Annual Report was submitted to the board. Two people are needed to serve on the extension board.

The roof on the building used by the weed department was discussed. Tim Kreider was contacted regarding hail damage to the roof. Kreider will look into it.



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Nick Sanderson was contacted regarding getting the railing on the front steps of the courthouse put back up. Sanderson will work on it.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the Dave Sauls' requested vacation carry over time. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Mike Kesselring met with the board to discuss tourism and roads. Kesselring stated that people are anxious to travel, and that travel expense figures for the first quarter of 2021 are higher than ever. Toadstool Road and Sowbelly Road are in need of gravel. The Village of Harrison is working on updating Coffee Park, with Kesselring being the liaison for that project. Kesselring has been in contact with Hagen Glass, they are having trouble getting parts for the back doors of the courthouse.

Discussion was held on moving the electric pole in the alley behind the courthouse or extending the cement pad. Quotes have been received for moving it. Mike Kesselring will get quotes on concrete.

Road Superintendent Jim Phipps presented the board with informal quotes from Murphy Tractor and NMC Cat on lease/purchase options on a new road grader. No action taken. Phipps gave an update on the watershed projects.

Discussion was held on the closure of a portion of Indian Creek Road. Road Superintendent Phipps has been in contact with Tim Buskirk, District Ranger regarding funding. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to table the decision on closure of a portion of Indian Creek Road until June 14. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Brad Thomsen, Dan and Allen Jordan were also in attendance.

Stacey Swinney presented the board with quotes on bridge work needed in the county.

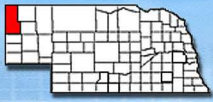
The board adjourned for a lunch recess at 12:15.

Jerry Feist, District Supervisor for USDA/APHIS updated the board on the process of rehiring Luke Peebles position. Funding issues are a problem. Discussion was held on options for the county to hire someone. Gale Henry and Lucas Young were present and were involved in the discussion. No action was taken, the issue will be discussed further.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet July 1, 2021.

/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

June 14, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on June 14, 2021 at 9:05 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J. W. Geiser and Hal Downer. County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman was also present. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Geiser seconded by Downer to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer.

The Indian Creek Road closure was discussed. The issue was tabled until the July meeting.

Road Superintendent Jim Phipps requested that blades G-3 and D-5 be added to surplus property. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to surplus the two blades. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The blades will be sold on Big Iron Auctions. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to direct Superintendent Phipps to write specifications for and advertise for bids on a new blade. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve Dan Franks roll over of 57 hours of vacation. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

The predator animal control contract is being reviewed.

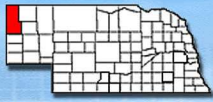
Dan Skavdahl, President of the Sioux County Historical Society met with the board to request the county continue to fund the museum with \$2,000 as in the past. The money received in the past is appreciated and used to help operate the museum. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the museum grant. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on repairs to the building that the weed department uses. Superintendent Phipps will take care of getting quotes for the repairs.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

/s/Josh Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk



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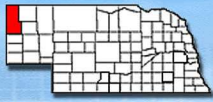
Harrison, Nebraska

July 1, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room July 1, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Hal Downer, Josh Skavdahl and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the June 1 and 14, 2021 meetings. 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, 43,200.94; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,822.18/employee share, 1,911.45; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 21,420.38; Bytes Computer Solutions, e-mail, 182.38; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 231.40; Lyle Claussen, BC/BS deductible reimbursement, 2,500.00; Consolidated Management, meals, 284.92; Crawford Clipper, publications, 156.83; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Jacqueline Delatour, training, 34.00; Hal Downer, mileage, 543.20; Dennelle Fischer, notary fee, BC/BS deductible reimbursement, 843.28; Gall's, supplies, 172.15; Herren's, supplies, 637.73; Holiday Inn, Kearney, rooms, 809.65; Horse Creek Tire, repair, 96.90; Lacy Klein, mileage, meals, 327.99; Chad McCumbers, mileage, 645.12; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,232.72; Mobius Communications, phone service, 229.98; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, registration, 50.00; NE Law Enforcement Training Center, fees, 215.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,132.25; NEA, electricity, 765.86; Office Depot, supplies, 84.66; Quadient Finance USA, Inc., postage meter, 840.00; Ramada Inn, room, 178.00; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 1,084.31; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 306.50; Schank Roofing, courthouse roof, 27,586.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,355.49/employee share social security, 2,355.49/county share medicare 550.86/employee share medicare, 550.86/ withholding, 2,248.53; Sioux County Court, court costs, 34.00; Sioux County Historical Society, museum support, 2,000.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Josh Skavdahl, mileage, 672.00; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.69; Scottsbluff Star Herald, subscription, 358.59; Transfer to Library Fund, 1,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 8,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 125,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 95.57; Viaero Wireless, phone, 96.48; Village of Harrison, utilities, 615.84; Vistabeam, internet, 68.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 454.72.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 34,022.49 AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,277.93/employee share retirement, 1,518.68; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 17,106.82; Centurylink, internet, 59.79; Coe Engineering, fees, 2,640.00; Dale's Tire & Retreading, Inc., repairs, 3,175.20; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, 3,375.07; Floyd's Truck Center, supplies, 837.83; Frank Parts, parts, 238.81; Fuller Construction, road repairs, 105,234.77; Herren's, repairs, 14,342.02; Horse Creek Tire, repairs, 752.72; Ideal Linen Supply, rugs, 60.13; Inland Truck Parts, repairs, 944.25; Morrill Supply, parts, 404.66; NE Motor Fuel Division, fuel tax, 445.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 781.78; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 7,098.12; NEA, electric, 70.13; Office Depot, office supply, 159.37; James Phipps, meals, fuel, registration, 382.15; Powerplan, repairs, 346.89; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 5,122.11; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,859.47/employee share social security, 1,859.47/county share medicare, 434.90/employee share medicare,



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434.90/withholding, 1,482.44; Sioux County Treasurer, title fee, 10.00; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 171.92; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 30.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 415.85; Village of Harrison, utilities, 94.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 86.03, Westco, fuel, 217.04.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,768.59; Amazon, supplies, 141.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 119.38/employee share retirement, 79.59; Centurylink, phone/internet, 152.50; Crawford Clipper, notice, 8.16; Junior Library Guild, books, 285.50; Kapco, supply, 82.40; MPC Heating & Cooling, repair, 142.50; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 56.34; NEA, electricity, 113.32; The Penworthy Company, supplies, 173.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 109.65/employee share social security 109.65/county share medicare, 25.64/employee share medicare 25.64/withholding, 100.00; Synchrony Bank, supplies, 35.19; Village of Harrison, water, 101.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,897.13; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 330.56/employee share retirement, 220.37; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,156.78; Centurylink, internet, 59.55; Crawford Clipper, ad, 59.80; Heritage Seed, chemical, 133.30; Herren Brothers, supplies, 400.40; Lotton's, fuel, 275.41; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 66.98; Office Depot, supplies, 84.66; Security First Bank, county share social security, 274.83/employee share social security, 274.83/county share medicare, 64.27/employee share medicare, 64.27/ withholding, 234.28.

Mike Kesselring updated the board on Sioux County Travel and Tourism issues. Kesselring provided a list of grant requests approved by the tourism board. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the grant requests listed. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Chairman Skavdahl signed a letter requesting a list of lodging tax permit holders. Kesselring asked the board to put material on Sowbelly and Toadstool Roads, as they are used by tourists visiting Sioux County.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve a three-year agreement for services with Election Systems & Software, LLC. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to accept Zimmerman's Three-Year Plan of Assessment. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

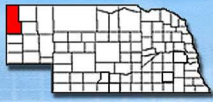
Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer updated the county financial status to the board.

Nick Sanderson reported that he has talked to Cliff Symonds about the railing on the front steps of the courthouse. Discussion was held on prairie dog control. Sanderson advised the board that a resolution has to be adopted by the board to allow him to control the dogs. Sanderson is continuing to look for a pickup.

Sheriff McCumbers submitted a monthly financial report to the board. Garrette Naillon is doing well in training. An estimate of \$4,136 from Schank Roofing for repairs to the old jail roof was reviewed. McCumbers will contact Schank to proceed with the repairs, McCumbers volunteered to paint the inside of the old jail. The pickup McCumbers has ordered is now coming in August. McCumbers advised the board of LB51, which he opposes.

The courthouse custodial position was discussed. There was discussion as to whether the position should be a payroll position, or a contracted position. A job description will be created, and the issue discussed further.

Jenny Nixon updated the board on 4-H activities. All fair events are back this year. Tourism was discussed.



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Stacey Swinney presented the board with quotes on bridge work on the Orella Road Bridge and Toadstool Bridge. No action was taken.

An estimate of \$9,200 for repairs on the roof of the building being used by the weed department was reviewed. Schank Roofing submitted an estimate of \$8,735. Road Superintendent Phipps will contact Schank Roofing and ask them to do the repairs, and the roof repairs on the old jail as well.

Road Superintendent Jim Phipps discussed purchasing a packer for the spare blade. The watershed projects were discussed. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer, to table the Indian Creek Road closure issue until the August meeting. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

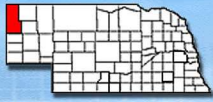
Road Superintendent Phipps will prepare and advertise for bids for a new blade.

The board adjourned for a lunch recess at 12:00.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet August 2, 2021.

/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

July 22, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on July 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners J. W. Geiser and Hal Downer. County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman was also present. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Geiser seconded by Downer to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried.

Jerry Feist, with USDA, APHIS presented a contract for predator control services for the period of August, 2021 thru June, 2022 in the amount of \$31,212.50. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the contract for services. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried.

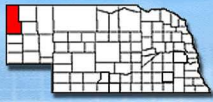
A contract with Contryman Associates, P.C. for performing the yearly county audit was reviewed. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the contract. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried.

A budget workshop was held. The board met with elected and appointed officials regarding their budget requests. Jory Geiser was in attendance and commented regarding budget issues.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

/s/Hal Downer
Vice-Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk



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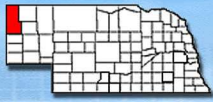
Harrison, Nebraska

August 2, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room August 2, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Hal Downer and Josh Skavdahl. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Tim Kreider opened the meeting in prayer. 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 July 1 and 22, 2021 meetings. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 42,864.83; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,793.91/employee share, 1,892.16; Baas 24 Hour Towing, LLC, towing, 610.60; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 21,420.38; Bytes Computer Solutions, e-mail, 182.38; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 230.86; Consolidated Management, meals, 365.66; Crawford Clipper, publications, 176.12; Crites & Shaffer Law Office, attorney 220.00; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Hampton Inn, room, 294.00; Herren's, supplies, 129.29; Lacy Klein, mileage, 108.40; Chad McCumbers, mileage, supplies, 339.01; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,587.45; Mobius Communications, phone service, 229.40; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, registrations, 875.00; Garrette Naillon, mileage, 406.56; NE Assn of County Clerks, workshop, 50.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,103.68; Niobrara County Sheriff's Office, service, 50.00; NEA, electricity, 401.60; Dave Nixon, supplies, 25.65; Jenny Nixon, mileage, supplies, 46.90; JoElla Norman, deductible reimbursement, 1,250.00; Quadient Finance USA, Inc., postage, 500.00; Quill, supplies, 425.35; Region I Office of Human Development, services, 1,642.50; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 787.39; Nick Sanderson, deductible reimbursement, 272.94; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 165.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,334.65/employee share social security, 2,334.65/county share medicare 545.99/employee share medicare, 545.99/ withholding, 2,203.65; Sioux County Court, court costs, 34.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.79; Staples, supplies, 199.95; Transfer to courthouse building fund, 20,000.00; Transfer to Library Fund, 5,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 12,000.00; USDA, APHIS, predator control, 3,806.28; Viaero Wireless, phone, 107.84; Village of Harrison, utilities, 567.84; Vistabeam, internet, 68.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 78.40.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 33,397.74 AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,235.76/employee share retirement, 1,490.57; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 17,106.82; Centurylink, internet, 71.63; Dale's Tire & Retreading, Inc., repairs, 2,061.96; Frank Parts, parts, 70.88; Herren's, repairs, 1,404.67; Ideal Linen Supply, rugs, 60.13; Inland Truck Parts, repairs, 119.40; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, repair, 874.30; Mitchell's Upholstery & Embroidery, repair, 32.50; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 774.74; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 4,461.21; NEA, electric, 62.07; James Phipps, mileage, registration, 274.32; Powerplan, repairs, 314.33; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 8,600.99; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,820.73/employee share social security, 1,820.73/county share medicare, 425.84/employee share medicare, 425.84/withholding, 1,468.15; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 122.99; Terrance Staman,



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gravel, 760.00; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 30.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 223.09; Village of Harrison, utilities, 96.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 84.33, WPCI, drug testing, 180.00; Scott Wilkins, gravel, 1,400.00.

VISITOR PROMOTION FUND: Crawford Clipper, notice, 12.80; Discover Northwest Nebraska, promotion, 1,028.23; Sioux County Rodeo Board, tourism grant, 600.00.

VISITOR IMPROVEMENT GRANT FUND: Chadrad Communications, tourism, 250.00; Discover Northwest Nebraska, promotion, 1,028.22; Western Nebraska Tourism Coalition, dues, 58.76.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,158.50; Amazon, supplies, 456.64; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 78.20/employee share retirement, 52.13; Centurylink, phone/internet, 165.15; Crawford Clipper, notice, 8.16; Junior Library Guild, books, 1,074.00; McCarty's Magic Carpet Cleaning, cleaning, 289.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 54.35; Nebraska Library Commission, overdrive subscription, 500.00; NEA, electricity, 87.88; Quill, supplies, 348.53; Security First Bank, county share social security, 71.83/employee share social security 71.83/county share medicare, 16.80/employee share medicare 16.80/withholding, 100.00; University Products, supply, 25.20; Village of Harrison, water, 93.00.

SIOUX CO US ENTITLEMENT FUND: Transfer to General Fund: 223,812.00.

COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND: Triangle Electric, lighting project, 12,618.78.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,747.13; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 320.44/employee share retirement, 213.62; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,156.78; Centurylink, internet, 71.62; Crawford Clipper, ad, 100.00; Heritage Seed, chemical, 1,250.20; Herren Brothers, supplies, 194.71; Lotton's, fuel, 864.95; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 62.36; Ramada Inn, room, 190.00; Nick Sanderson, mileage, meals, 506.49; Security First Bank, county share social security, 265.53/employee share social security, 265.53/county share medicare, 62.10/employee share medicare, 62.10/withholding, 219.73.

Tim Keider updated the board on an increase in worker's compensation rates, stating that the increase is due to increased payroll amounts in the road and sheriff departments.

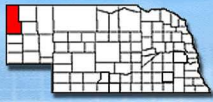
Westco employee Doug Turbiville advised the board that the propane tank behind the jail is leaking and needs to be removed. After discussion, it was decided to have Westco remove the tank.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer updated the county financial status to the board.

Discussion was held on a Medical Transportation Solutions program that NACO is sponsoring. The program is for ground and air ambulance transportation and is available to county employees. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to offer the program to employees at the employee's expense. On roll call vote, Skavdahl, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to hold the 2021-2022 Sioux County Budget Hearing on September 1, 2021 at 1:15 p.m. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

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,



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and Sheep Creek & Farmers Rural Fire. The following resolutions were all adopted by a motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by Josh Skavdahl, and passed by roll call vote: Downer, yes; Skavdahl yes. Motion carried.

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 2021-2022 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 2021-2022 of \$46,000.00;

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 2021-2022 of 4 mil of certified valuation of Sioux and Scottsbluff Counties for the year 2021-2022;

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 2021-2022 of \$67,500.00 plus County Treasurer's Commission of \$1,350.00 for a total of \$68,850.00 for all other purposes subject to its levy for the year 2021-2022;

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 \$35,800.00 plus County Treasurer's Commission of \$716.00 for a total of \$36,516.00 for all other purposes subject to its levy for the year 2021-2022.

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.

Nick Sanderson provided the board with two informal quotes for a new pickup. No action taken. Sanderson shared a quote from T & T Craig Builders for installation of a hand rail on the front step of the courthouse. The board advised Sanderson to have them go ahead with the project.

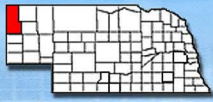
Sheriff McCumbers submitted a monthly financial report to the board. A few adjustments were made to the sheriff budget. McCumbers had no new information on the new pickup ordered. Updates were given on grants and upcoming trainings. Garrette Naillon is almost finished at the academy.

Jenny Nixon updated the board on fair activities this week.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to ratify the receipt of ARPA funds. The funds have been received and deposited in a separate account. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

The courthouse custodial position was discussed. A job description will be created for the position.

Road Superintendent Jim Phipps updated the board. Discussion was held on work that needs to be done on East Hat Creek Road. Indian Creek Road repairs were discussed. The culverts on Hanley Road have been installed. Superintendent Phipps is looking at locations to crush gravel.



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Bids for a grader were opened. Larry Burbach from NMC Cat and Mike Bateman from Murphy Tractor presented additional information on the machines. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to accept the bids. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

The board adjourned for a lunch recess at 12:00.

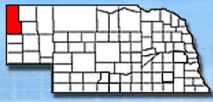
Board member Geiser attended the afternoon session.

A budget workshop was held.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet September 1, 2021.

/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 18, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met for a meeting at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on August 18, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J. W. Geiser and Hal Downer. County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman was also present. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Geiser seconded by Downer to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried.

The purchase of a new blade was discussed. Superintendent Phipps recommended the purchase of a 2017 CAT 140M3 from Nebraska Machinery. The machine has an extended warranty included for a price of \$226,500. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the purchase recommended. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

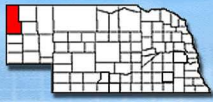
Jim Phipps gave an update on the road work currently being done. Work on S-C Road should be finished up today. Phipps and Sue Willey have submitted paperwork to NEDOT for reimbursement of costs for damages incurred in 2019, in the amount of \$77,852.43.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve Resolution 2021-7, to close the Sioux County Extension Sinking Fund, in the amount of \$3,559.69 and administer those funds through the General Fund. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

/s/Josh 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, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met for a public budget and tax request hearing at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on September 1, 2021 at 1:15 p.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J. W. Geiser and Hal Downer. County Attorney Adam Edmund and County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman were also present. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The pledge of allegiance recited. Hal Downer led the meeting in prayer.

A "Notice of Budget Hearing and Budget Summary" and "Notice of Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request" for the 2021-2022 Sioux County Budget was printed in the Crawford Clipper/Harrison Sun on August 25, 2021.

Allen Jordan was present at the hearing, with no comment.

Hearing no comments from the public, the hearing was closed and the board convened into regular session at 1:20.

RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION AND APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, prepared by the Budget Making Authority, was transmitted to the County Board on the 1st day of September, 2021.

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, 2021 to June 30, 2022, as categorically evidenced by the Budget Document be, and the same hereby is, adopted as the Budget for Sioux County for said fiscal year.

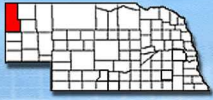
SECTION 2: That the offices, departments, activities and institutions herein named are hereby authorized to expend the amounts herein appropriated to them during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022.

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 made by Hal Downer to approve the 2021-2022 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.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve Resolution 2021-8, a resolution stating the Property Tax Request for the 2021-2022 Sioux County Budget be set at \$1,550,000.00, resulting in a proposed tax rate of .234053. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. A copy of the resolution is available to the public at the Sioux County Clerk's Office.



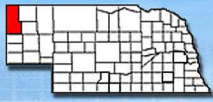
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There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk



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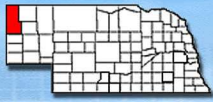
Harrison, Nebraska

September 1, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room September 1, 2021 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. J.W. Geiser opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the August 2 and 18, 2021 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, 44,616.60; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,914.00/employee share, 1,977.45; Jack Arterburn, mileage, 58.24; Sarah Bannan, deductible reimbursement, 1,381.79; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 21,420.38; Blue Line Custom Vinyls, decals, 50.00; Laura Button, mileage, 71.96; Bytes Computer Solutions, e-mail, 182.38; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 230.72; Connecting Point, copier repair, 230.72; Consolidated Management, meals, 164.56; Crawford Clipper, publications, 223.38; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 44.00; Herren's, supplies, 58.91; Anne Hostetter, mileage, 82.32; Lacy Klein, mileage, 78.40; Kreider Insurance, additional worker's comp., 124.00; Chad McCumbers, mileage, postage, 215.30; Midwest Connect, supplies, 290.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,398.93; Mobius Communications, phone service, 229.40; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; Garrette Naillon, mileage, 107.52; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,224.17; Nebraska Pediatric Practice, Inc., witness fee, 4,000.00; NEA, electricity, 401.18; Jenny Nixon, mileage, supplies, 142.61; NSA/POAN Law Enforcement, registration, 100.00; Outlaw Printers, sheriff uniforms, 184.15; Panhandle Area Development District, membership, 821.60; Quill, supplies, 564.74; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 200.07; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,443.25/employee share social security, 2,443.25/county share medicare 571.40/employee share medicare, 571.40/ withholding, 2,510.00; Sioux County District Court, court costs, 126.00; Sioux County Court, court costs, 17.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.79; LeAnne Skavdahl, supplies, 13.78; Smith, King & Simmons, court-appointed attorney, 70.00; Transfer to Library Fund, 6,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 10,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 40,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 25.50; Viaero Wireless, phone, 115.79; Village of Harrison, utilities, 581.84; Vistabeam, internet, 68.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 448.00.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 33,907.74 AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,270.18/employee share retirement, 1,513.52; Bauerkempers, Inc., repairs, 1,302.60; Beguin Propane, propane, 781.20; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 17,106.82; Caterpillar Financial Services, motor grader payment, 71,250.71; Centurylink, internet, 60.47; Crawford Clipper, notice, 42.57; Dooley Oil, fuel, 3,155.20; Floyd's Truck Center, Inc., repair, 24.39; Groskopf Manufacturing, repairs, 7,018.00; Herren's, repairs, 90.93; Horse Creek Tire, Inc., repair, 11.00; Ideal Linen Supply, rugs, 60.13; Kreider Insurance, worker's comp., 3,937.00; Morrill Hardware, supplies, 53.98; Morrill Supply, supplies, 5.70; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 778.25; Nebraska Dept. of Transportation, salt sand, 200.70; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 281.42; NEA, electric, 60.80; Powerplan, repairs, 753.74; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 8,189.33; RTS Shearing, LLC, gravel,



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15,947.36; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,852.35/employee share social security, 1,852.35/county share medicare, 433.23/employee share medicare, 433.23/withholding, 1,471.48; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 30.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 208.62; Village of Harrison, utilities, 98.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 87.98, Westco, fuel, 130.52; Wild Bros., dirt work, 1,950.50.

VISITOR PROMOTION FUND: Chadrad Communications, tourism, 500.00.

VISITOR IMPROVEMENT GRANT FUND: Chadrad Communications, tourism, 500.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,470.40; Amazon, supplies, 1,242.79; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 99.25/employee share retirement, 66.17; Centurylink, phone/internet, 152.08; Crawford Clipper, notice, 35.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 58.81; NEA, electricity, 102.72; Security First Bank, county share social security, 91.16/employee share social security 91.16/county share medicare, 21.32/employee share medicare 21.32/withholding, 100.00; Team Jack Foundation, book, 25.00; Village of Harrison, water, 95.00.

COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND: Berggren Architects, lighting project, 2,333.82.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,897.13; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 330.56/employee share retirement, 220.67; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,156.78; Centurylink, internet, 60.47; Heritage Seed, chemical, 1,308.40; Herren Brothers, supplies, 92.08; Kreider Insurance, worker's comp., 83.00; Lotton's, fuel, repair, 1,785.10; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 66.98; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 58.24; Security First Bank, county share social security, 274.83/employee share social security, 274.83/county share medicare, 64.27/employee share medicare, 64.27/ withholding, 234.28.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

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.

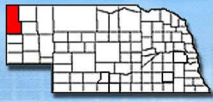
Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer updated the county financial status to the board. Discussion was held with the clerk and treasurer regarding IT services options available.

Nick Sanderson advised the board that he is still waiting on payment options on a pickup. Updates on current weed spraying was given. Sanderson discussed old lawn-care items that are stored in the old jail. Sanderson will get a list together for surplus.

Sheriff McCumbers and Deputy Naillon met with the board. The new pickup ordered has been delayed. McCumbers reported on ongoing communications discussions with Dawes County. There is no agreement yet. Sheriff McCumbers advised the board that Deputy Naillon is now certified.

Jenny Nixon met with the board, stating that the kids have done well at state fair. The numbers were up for the livestock show at fair. There are almost double the amount of new youth in 4-H as last year. They are getting ready for achievement awards, and working with the schools.

Discussion was held on surplus items in and around the courthouse. Options for an on-line auction were discussed.



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Road Superintendent Phipps advised the board on the ongoing discussions with Tim Buskirk on the Indian Creek Road issue. There may be forest service money available for repairs.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve Resolution 2021-9, The County Annual Certification of Program Compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. A copy of the resolution can be viewed at the Sioux County Clerk's office.

Bids were opened for propane for the two road shops. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept all bids. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to award the propane bid to Panhandle Coop for 4,000 gallons at each shop for \$1.39 per gallon. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Resolution 2021-10 was reviewed. The resolution states that the county has completed the repair work on Disaster #NE19, and is requesting reimbursement. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the resolution. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. A copy of the resolution can be viewed at the Sioux County Clerk's office.

Motion was made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to award the motor grader bid to Nebraska Machinery. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on financing for the grader. DA Davidson has submitted a draft of a lease-purchase agreement with NACO Leasing Corporation. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to adopt Resolution 2021-11, approving, and affirming the execution and performance of a lease-purchase agreement with NACO Leasing Corporation for acquisition of property. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. A copy of the resolution can be viewed at the Sioux County Clerk's office.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to accept and acknowledge the disclosure statement letter engaging D.A. Davidson as placement agent for the above-mentioned Lease-Purchase Transaction. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

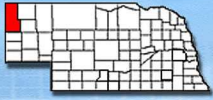
Road Superintendent Phipps is looking at potential gravel pits for crushing.

The board adjourned for a lunch recess at 12:10.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet October 1, 2021.

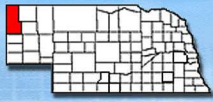
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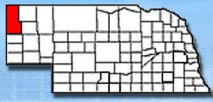
Harrison, Nebraska

October 1, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room October 1, 2021 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. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2021 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, 42,442.50; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,795.64/employee share, 1,904.11; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 19,263.60; Bytes Computer Solutions, e-mail, 217.27; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 230.72; Copier Connection, contract, 798.54; Crawford Clipper, publications, 421.14 Cullers Law, P.C., court-appointed attorney, 310.00; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84 Herren's, supplies, 19.38; Lacy Klein, mileage, 156.80; Midwest Special Services, transport prisoner, 603.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,249.95; Mobius Communications, phone service, 229.40; Melissa Mracek, mileage, 120.96; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, registrations, 180.00; NE Public Health Environmental Lab, blood alcohol test, 105.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,095.27; NEA, electricity, 402.42; Print Express, supplies, 343.71; Quadient Finance, USA, postage, 500.00; Quadient Leasing, USA, postage machine, 840.00; Quill, supplies, 100.24; Ramada Midtown Conference Center, room, 384.00; Region I Behavioral Health Authority, mental health and substance abuse services, 2021-2022, 6,573.00; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 1,587.95; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 275.81; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,335.20/employee share social security, 2,335.20/county share medicare 546.12/employee share medicare, 546.12/withholding, 2,253.01; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.79; Smith, King & Simmons, P.C., attorney fees, 50.00; Staples, supplies, 1,010.52; Transfer to Library Fund, 3,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 10,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 20,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 103.00; UNL Extension, fuel, 35.73; Viaero Wireless, phone, 112.38; Village of Harrison, utilities, 557.84; Vistabeam, internet, 68.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 616.45.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 34,718.87 AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,226.72/employee share retirement, 1,484.54; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 16,835.19; Dick Burford, gravel, 500.00; Centurylink, internet, 40.27; Dale's Tire and Retreading, supplies, 3,764.86; Dooley Oil, fuel, 3,056.60; Floyd's Truck Center, Inc., repair, 51.45; Frank Parts, parts, 15.28; Herren's, repairs, 354.90; Horse Creek Tire, Inc., repair, 247.82; Ideal Linen Supply, rugs, 60.13; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 64.90; Little Park Ranches, gravel, 1,480.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, repair, 644.65; Mark Chrisman Trucking, hauling, 2,400.00; Modern Farm Equipment, parts, 167.51; Morrill Hardware, supplies, 12.37; Morrill Supply, supplies, 35.38; NE Motor Fuel Division, fuel tax, 694.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 789.97; Nebraska Dept. of Transportation, 674.68; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 6,317.64; NEA, electric, 61.22; James Phipps, CDL reimbursement, 100.00; Powerplan, repairs, 1,046.95; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 8,185.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,906.01/employee share social security, 1,906.01/county share medicare,



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445.78/employee share medicare, 445.78/withholding, 1,473.58; Terrance Staman, gravel, 1,240.00; Chase Staudenmaier, gravel, 300.00; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 30.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 207.67; Village of Harrison, utilities, 96.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 74.27.

VISITOR IMPROVEMENT GRANT FUND: Herren's, tourism, 371.80.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,384.71; Amazon, supplies, 773.55; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 93.47/employee share retirement, 62.31; Centurylink, phone/internet, 152.08; Crawford Clipper, notice, 6.46; MPC Heating & Cooling, repairs, 40.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 57.59; NEA, electricity, 92.12; Security First Bank, county share social security, 85.85/employee share social security 85.85/county share medicare, 20.08/employee share medicare 20.08/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, water, 95.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,897.13; AgSpray Equipment, supplies, 773.34; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 330.56/employee share retirement, 220.67; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,156.78; Centurylink, internet, 59.94; Crawford Clipper, notice, 99.00; Heritage Seed, chemical, 1,088.70; Herren Brothers, supplies, 115.00; Lotton's, fuel, repair, 751.16; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 66.98; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 58.24; Security First Bank, county share social security, 274.83/employee share social security, 274.83/county share medicare, 64.27/employee share medicare, 64.27/withholding, 234.28.

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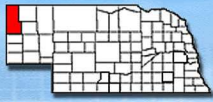
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Road Superintendent Phipps presented an application for permission to occupy county road/right-of-way from United Tel of the West d/b/a/ CenturyLink to install fiber optic cable for approximately 4.25 miles along and across Henderson Road. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the application. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to direct Road Superintendent Phipps to advertise for crushing gravel in three different gravel pits in the county. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Phipps advised the board that the county had committed its resources to the Post Fire for five days.

Jeff Metz, Morrill County Commissioner and Travis Rodak, Morrill County Attorney met with the board regarding Executive Order 14008, signed by President Biden regarding preservation of 30% of the lands and waters in the US by the year 2030. Metz expressed his concern with perpetual easements. It might be better to put a 30-year term on it. They are dangerous when signed into perpetuity. When property is sold, the value is reduced due to restrictions placed on it. Morrill County has amended their comprehensive plan to include language allowing for denial of conservation easements. Morrill County Attorney Rodak stated that the only way to deny an easement is if it conflicts with the county's comprehensive plan. The more conservation easements a county has, the more it erodes the tax base. Sioux County Attorney Edmund stated that the Sioux County plan has been ag-based. Details of amending the comprehensive plan was discussed. Chase Staudenmaier asked questions regarding restrictions on easements. Bill Wilson raised the concern of control of phragmites, Russian olives, and other noxious weeds when there is an easement in place. The issue will be explored further.



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Gale Henry requested county help in finding out what is going on with predator control in the county. Henry stated that South Dakota is flying, but he hasn't been able to find out what is being done in Sioux County. Commissioner Geiser advised that the new trapper here should be on the job. Chase Staudenmaier would like to push for the ability of more private killing out of the air.

Road Superintendent Phipps advised the board that Deric Anderson would like the county to install an autogate on East Hat Creek Road. County Attorney Edmund advised that both property owners would need to agree prior to installation of the autogate. Chase Staudenmaier, adjacent landowner expressed his opposition. Discussion was held on the bridge over Hat Creek, Staudenmaier owns both sides, and would be in favor of moving the bridge if need be.

The board adjourned for a lunch recess at 12:00.

Don Lease, NE Strong met with the board concerning National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week. Lease discussed food pantries and busing through transport systems.

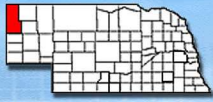
There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet November 1, 2021.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl

Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman

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Sioux County Board of Commissioners
Harrison, Nebraska
November 19, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room November 19, 2021 at 10:05 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners, Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser. Also present was Deputy County Clerk JoElla Norman, Road Superintendent Jim Phipps, Weed Superintendent Nick Sanderson, Dan Jordan and Allen Jordan. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Hal Downer opened the meeting in prayer. Motion made by Geiser seconded by Downer 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.

Skavdahl opened the first of two sealed bids received for gravel crushing. The bid was from Shearing, LLC, Jamestown, ND. The bid was for \$128,250 for 30,000 cubic yards including all mobilization.

The second bid was from Mark Chrisman, Gering NE. The bid was for mobilization at \$2,500 for 10,000 cubic yards and crushing for \$4.39 per cubic yard.

Motion made by Geiser seconded by Downer to accept the bids. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer seconded by Geiser to accept the bid from Shearing, LLC to crush gravel. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

The purchase of a new Road Department pickup with the old Road Department pickup going to the Weed Department was discussed. Phipps and Sanderson will look into what is available to purchase.

There was discussion regarding the purchase of a belly dump trailer. Phipps indicated availability is limited but that the trailer Sioux County rented last year is available for purchase. The Board asked Phipps to see what other options are available.

Phipps reported that he was unable to purchase the service truck as it went for more than budgeted.

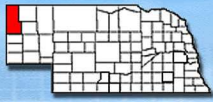
Phipps reported that the Weed Shop received a new roof last week but it is not complete. He is also looking into what it would cost to put additional lights in the south Road Department shop. The sky lights were covered last year and it has made a substantial difference with the heating but has made it very dark.

Allen Jordan updated the Board on the progress of the electronic identification being discussed by the Nebraska Brand Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet December 1, 2021.

Joshua Skavdahl, Chairman of the Board

JoElla Norman, Sioux County Deputy Clerk



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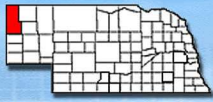
Harrison, Nebraska

December 1, 2021

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room December 1, 2021 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. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the November 1 and 19, 2021 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, 43,306.17; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,795.35/employee share, 1,903.66; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 19,263.60; Laura Button, mileage, 72.80; Bytes Computer Solutions, e-mail, 182.38; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 281.06; Crawford Clipper, publications, 326.62; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Herren's, supplies, 128.58; David Howell, mileage, 56.00; Lacy Klein, mileage, 78.40; Lotton's, repair, fuel, 321.40; Eric McCoy, deductible reimbursement, 2,308.11; Chad McCumbers, supplies, mileage, 400.78; Medial transport Solutions, insurance, 125.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,249.95; Mobius Communications, phone service, 240.82; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, dues, 1,176.46; Garrette Naillon, postage and supplies, 25.23; National Association of Counties, dues, 450.00; NE Secretary of State, registration, 40.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,129.19; Nebraskaland Tire, tires, 1,506.48; NEA, electricity, 999.25; Jenny Nixon, mileage, 626.64; Office Depot, supplies, 106.32; Quadient Finance, postage, 500.00; Quill, supplies, 206.31; Regional West Medical Center, autopsy, 171.05; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 98.88; Scottsbluff Co. Detention center, housing, 320.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,388.77/employee share social security, 2,388.77/county share medicare 558.64/employee share medicare, 558.64/ withholding, 2,272.13; Sioux County Court, court costs, 34.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Josh Skavdahl, deductible reimbursement, 2,500.00; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.61; T & T Craig Builders, step railing, 480.00; Transfer to Library Fund, 4,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 6,000.00; UNL Extension, employee reimbursement, 7,600.41; Viaero Wireless, phone, 91.45; Village of Harrison, utilities, 351.84; Vistabeam, internet, 73.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 109.76.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 33,263.87; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,226.72/employee share retirement, 1,484.54; B & C Steel, supplies, 196.62; Beguin Propane, propane, 287.79; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 16,835.19; Cody Bruegger, labor, 225.00; Centurylink, internet, 63.42; Crawford Clipper, publications, 79.39; Dooley Oil, fuel, 43.54; Floyd's Truck Center, Inc., repair, 202.26; Herren's, repairs, 689.72; Ideal Linen, rugs, 60.13; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, repair, 288.25; Medical Transport Solutions, insurance, 87.50; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 775.50; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 1,958.57; NEA, electric, 84.22; Office Depot, supplies, 106.33; Panhandle Coop, supplies, 696.67; Powerplan, repairs, 3,294.42; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 5,726.01; Schank Roofing, week shop roof, 8,735.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,815.80/employee share social security, 1,815.80/county share medicare, 424.68/employee share medicare, 424.68/withholding, 1,473.58; Skeeter's Napa, supplies, 446.18;



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Stacy Swinney, bridge inspections, 5,970.80; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 30.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 164.54; Village of Harrison, utilities, 96.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 84.82; WPCI, drug testing, 210.00; Westco, fuel, 166.36.

VISITOR PROMOTIONS FUND: Sioux County Historical Society, tourism grant, 840.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,484.11; Amazon, supplies, 752.27; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 100.18/employee share retirement, 66.78; Book Systems, Inc., supplies, 1,190.00; Centurylink, phone/internet, 166.15; Herren's supplies, 14.43; Toby Kid Klauenberg, summer reading, 365.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 50.20; NEA, electricity, 102.72; Security First Bank, county share social security, 92.01/employee share social security 92.01/county share medicare, 21.52/employee share medicare 21.52/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, water, 59.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,297.13; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 222.56/employee share retirement, 148.37; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,156.78; Centurylink, internet, 63.43; Lotton's, fuel, repair, 47.00; Medical Transport Solutions, insurance, 12.50; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 33.02; Office Depot, supplies, 106.33; Nick Sanderson, mileage, meals, 433.76; Security First Bank, county share social security, 175.63/employee share social security, 175.63/county share medicare, 41.07/employee share medicare, 41.07/ withholding, 150.00.

Road Superintendent Phipps and Weed Superintendent Sanderson met with the board. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to sign Resolution 2021-16, Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes, Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Correspondence was read.

Phipps gave an Indian Creek Road update.

Phipps has found a 2014 Chevrolet government surplus pickup in Lincoln. He and Commissioner Geiser will look at the pickup next week. If purchased, the 2017 Ford F250 would then go to the weed department. Other items at surplus will be looked at as well.

Nick Sanderson updated the board.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

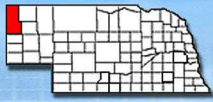
Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer updated the county financial status to the board.

Sheriff McCumbers updated the board on recent activities. The new pickup may be here within two to three weeks. The department helped WING on a significant project, and received a call of thanks from them.

Jenny Nixon updated the board on 4-H activities.

Matt Larsen, CEO and Matt Silverman of Vistabeam Internet met with the board to discuss expansion of fixed wireless and fiber to Sioux County. Recovery Plan and Cares Act for funding sources were discussed. County Attorney Edmund will prepare a Memorandum of Understanding for review at the January, 2022 meeting.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the Opioid Litigation Settlement. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.



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Updates to the zoning resolution and comprehensive plan was discussed with Attorney Edmund. The issue will be discussed further at the January, 2022 meeting.

The board adjourned for a lunch recess at 12:00.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet January 3, 2022.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman
Sioux County Clerk