

April 1, 2020

The Keith County Board of Commissioners met for their regular meeting at the Courthouse in Ogallala. Chairman Krajewski asked those attending to join in a moment of silence in support of our armed services and first responders serving our country, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Krajewski acknowledged the Open Meeting Act was posted. Roll call was answered by Chairman Toney Krajewski and Commissioners Joan Ervin, Corey Crandall, Lane Anderson and Kim Elder. Also attending the meeting was County Clerk Sandra Olson and County Attorney Randy Fair. Crandall moved to approve the agenda, Elder seconded the motion. Ervin, Anderson, Elder, Crandall and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Ervin moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, Anderson seconded the motion. Elder, Crandall, Anderson, Ervin and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Elder moved to approve the payment of claims, Crandall seconded the motion. Anderson, Ervin, Crandall, Elder and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

General Fund

Terry Bain and Brian Davis, Bobcat tort claim, \$6,000.00; Gregory J. Beal, Alternate Public Defender, \$3,147.75; Cranmore Fire Protection, Inspection & tests, \$47.00; DAS State Acctg-Central Finance, Network lease, \$704.00; Dickinson Land Surveyors, Inc., Services, \$158.63; Dugan Printing & Promotions, Ballot envelopes, \$153.48; ES&S, Election layout, \$861.39; Law Office of Steven E. Elmshaeuser, Fees, \$4,110.00; RLH Construction, Repairs, \$134.84; John Deere Financial, Fasteners, \$11.40; Keith County Court, Uncollectible costs, \$1,478.20; Gary J. Krajewski, Public Defender, \$6,250.00; NE PrintWorks, Business cards, \$20.90; NPPD, Service, \$293.48; O'Keefe Elevator, Maintenance, \$302.34; Office Service, Supplies, \$93.56; Pell Reporting, Services, \$148.97; Quality Farm & Ranch, Supplies, \$298.45; RR Donnelley, Certificates, \$37.63; The Hartford, Premiums, \$249.60; Transit Works, Computer upgrade, \$1,295.00

Road & Bridge Fund

ATC Communications, Service, \$68.10; Fraser Welding, Supplies, \$79.72; Kelly's Trucking, Trucking, \$4,550.00; S&D Trucking, Trucking, \$4,550.00; Simon, Gravel, \$45,857.17; The Hartford, Premiums, \$62.40; Village of Paxton, Service, \$186.38

CBSA Health Insurance Claim Fund

KC Clerk/Flex Claims Account, Flex claims, \$348.48; KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$31,779.83; Meritain Health, Administration fees, \$28,814.10

Emergency Phone 911 Fund

ATC Communications, Circuits, service, \$158.14; Glenwood, Rent, service, \$446.02

The Board heard the reports of Highway Superintendent Tim Ryan, Sheriff Jeff Stevens and Head Jailer Travis Poncik.

Board reports were given and correspondence received.

Spencer Thomas with Novo Benefits called in and provided the Board with an update for the County's health insurance.

Crandall spoke to the Board regarding the Five Nines renewal. It was questioned why City police officers were listed for County e-mails. Crandall said it was tied to the dispatch service. Crandall will do more research on this.

Concrete quotes for the Courthouse were received from J&D Peterson Construction and McClure Construction. Elder moved to accept the quote of \$6,616.00 from J&D Peterson Construction, Ervin seconded the motion. Crandall, Anderson, Ervin, Elder and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Krajewski opened the hearing to amend the budget at 9:00 a.m. Budget Consultant Caleb Johnson spoke to the Board about amending the budget and the transfer resolution for the transfer of funds from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund Human Resources. Johnson told the Board that the resolution to transfer funds from the Inheritance Tax fund to the General Fund Jail Function was not needed quite yet so it would be adopted at a later date.

Olson told the Board that Judge Steenburg had told her that his office had been contacted about holding the Nebraska Workmen's Comp Court at the Courthouse. Steenburg said he had told them that given the times he assumed it would be a decision for the Board. Olson said that given the times and the locations these people would be traveling from she would not feel that comfortable having it at the Courthouse but had not been contacted to ask the Board if it would be ok.

Fair spoke to the Board about the County's health district issuing a proclamation for Keith County.

Sheriff Jeff Stevens, Sheriff Deputy Shawn Hebbert and Head Jailer discussed with the Board firms for the Jail Needs Assessment. Hebbert told the Board that he and Head Jailer Travis Poncik had visited several jails build by the architects the Board had received presentations from. Hebbert told the Board that he and Poncik had also visited a jail built in Wilbur by an architect firm that the Board did not ask to give a presentation. Hebbert said that the people at the jail had no complaints at all about their jail. Hebbert also told the Board that this firm had been his top vote but he had not been able to attend the meeting when the Board was rating firms. When asked Hebbert told the Board the firm was Davis Design. Elder moved to hire Prochaska & Associates to do the Feasibility/Jail Needs Assessment for Keith County, Krajewski seconded the motion. After more discussion Krajewski asked for roll call. Roll call vote was as follows: Elder and Krajewski voting aye; Anderson, Ervin and Crandall voting nay; motion fails. Based on what Hebbert and Poncik told the Board Elder will contact Davis Design to make a presentation to the Board.

At 10:07 a.m. Krajewski closed the public hearing on the budget amendment. Anderson moved to adopt the resolution adopting the amended budget, Crandall seconded the motion. Elder, Ervin, Crandall, Anderson and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. This resolution will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2020-15.

Ervin moved to adopt the resolution to transfer funds from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund Human Resources Function in the amount of \$21,220.00, Anderson seconded the motion. Crandall, Elder, Anderson, Ervin and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. This resolution will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2020-16.

No executive session was held on the agenda item of Fine Nines – Item renewals & overview or agenda item COVID-19.

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned. The Board will meet again Wednesday, April 8, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Ogallala.

Toney Krajewski

Chairman

Sandra K. Olson

County Clerk

Agenda: Kept current in the office of the County Clerk. *Time of specific agenda items will run continuously thru the meeting and may occur earlier or later than estimated.

Unfinished Business

Executive session – Five Nines – Renewal items.

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New Business

Opening of bids for County property located in Lot 1 Keith County Shop District #2, a Minor Subdivision located in the SW1/4 of the NE ¼ of Section 1, Township 13 and Range 39, also known as 1501 West 5th Street, Ogallala, NE.