

December 23, 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 Kim Elder, Joan Ervin, Lane Anderson and Corey Crandall. Also attending the meeting was County Clerk Sandra Olson. Ervin moved to approve the agenda, Crandall seconded the motion. Anderson, Elder, Crandall, Ervin and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Elder moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, Ervin seconded the motion. Crandall, Anderson, Ervin, Elder and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Anderson moved to approve the payment of claims, Elder seconded the motion. Ervin, Crandall, Elder, Anderson and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

#### **General Fund**

Burnside Painting, Built in sneeze guard barriers, \$800.00; Bush Electric & Handyman Services, Service call, \$70.00; Cash-Wa, Janitorial supplies, \$88.85; City of Ogallala, Service, \$72.35; Consolidated Management, Meals, \$245.66; Davis Design, Maps, \$1,293.36; Dept Correctional Svcs, Housing, medical, \$6,149.37; Dickinson Land Surveyors, Set monuments, maps, \$1,200.00; Five Nines, Warranty - license renewals, \$3,205.21; Hometown Leasing, Sharp copier, \$2,160.00; Keith County Sheriff, Sheriff fees, \$730.75; Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, Fees, \$9.03; NACO, Registration, \$25.00; Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center, TABE test, \$10.00; Nemo Locksmith Service, Repairs, \$191.50; NPPD, Service, \$602.78; Prairie Hills Funeral Home, County burial, \$250.00; The Hartford, Life insurance premiums, \$285.60

#### **Roads Fund**

NPPD, Service, \$137.41; The Hartford, Life insurance premiums, \$62.40; VanPelt Fencing Co., Fencing, \$9,074.75; WEX Bank, Fuel, \$85.03

#### **Visitors Fund**

Flagship Publishing, Ads, \$760.00; Keith County News, Meeting notice, \$6.75; Lonergan Creek, Contract, \$1,400.00; NPPD, Service, \$72.97; NRG Media, Ads, \$118.00; Keith County Chamber, Postage, contract, \$2,078.85; Prairie Mountain, Online ad placement, \$150.00; True West Publishing, Ads, \$525.00

#### **Visitors Improvement Fund**

Firespring, Web hosting, \$74.99; Lonergan Creek, Contract, \$1,400.00; Midwest Electric, Service, \$96.79; NPPD, Service, \$57.81; Keith County Chamber, Contract, \$2,025.00

#### **CBSA Health Insurance Claims Fund**

KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$4,398.34

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

Poncik reported to the Board that he has ten prisoners in jail and ten prisoners farmed out to other jails.

County Attorney Randy Fair entered the meeting.

Crandall gave an update on the Robert Hanich Trust Application. Crandall told the Board that he wanted to thank Dell Simmerman for all his work on this application. Crandall went on to say that Todd Adams had accepted the application and gave a check to Chairman Krajewski in the amount of \$75,000.00 which will go for the Digital Radio Project. Crandall said although there had been no formal agreement but they might be interested in continued support.

The Board gave reports and received correspondence.

Keith County Chamber of Commerce Director Karla Scott updated the Board on last week's Visitors Committee meeting.

Proposals for the Lemoyne Senior Center doors were opened. Proposals were received from Nemo Locksmith in the amount of \$3,110.00 and from Cornhusker Glass in the amount of \$1,097.00. The Board discussed whether the proposals were apples to apples. The Board is requesting someone from the Center come in and speak to the Board so they are clear on what is actually needed. This item will be placed on next week's agenda under unfinished business.

Amber Kuskie, Zoning Administration for Keith County, appeared before the Board with three resolutions. The first resolution was for a request by Jerry and Kathy Kuenning for a Conditional Use Permit for a Dwelling Unit: Vacation Rental located in Lot 4A Stewards 1st Replat of Lot 4 and Pt Lot 5 Block 2 John Berry's Subdivision, more commonly known as 22 Berry's, located in 17-15-39, Keith County, Nebraska. Crandall moved to adopt this resolution, Anderson seconded the motion. Ervin, Elder, Anderson, Crandall and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. This Resolution will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2020-158. The second resolution was for a request by John and Steph Welsh for a Change of Zone for a TR in Lots 16 and 17 including vacated street of Payne's Subdivision, more commonly known as 199 Keystone 1 Road, located in 5-14-37, Keith County, Nebraska. Elder moved to adopt this resolution, Ervin seconded the motion. Anderson, Crandall, Ervin, Elder and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. This Resolution will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2020-159. Kuskie spoke to the Board regarding abatement fees for nuisance property clean ups. The Board felt that they should speak with Highway Superintendent Tim Ryan to see what fees he would charge for various pieces of equipment and man hours. Ervin moved to

adopt the resolution for a \$15.00 a day Impound Fee, 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 2020-160.

Mary Wilson appeared before the Board for the Keith County Housing Development Corp Rural Workforce Housing Fund Grant Application. Fair told the Board that they could not go into executive session to discuss how much money they would pledge for this project. Crandall moved to pledge to Keith County Housing Development Corporation twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) to come out of the Inheritance Tax Fund with the stipulation that this money will be paid back to the Inheritance Tax Fund by the County, Elder seconded the motion. Ervin, Anderson, Elder, Crandall and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

The Board had a budget discussion regarding the Digital Radio Project. Olson will set up a time after the New Year with Auditor Don Wilson for a phone call with Commissioners Ervin, Crandall and Olson to set up a Fund for money to be placed in.

Elder spoke to the Board regarding the Keith County Jail Planning Committee. Elder named offices from which he felt should serve on the committee. Elder asked if he should contact these offices, Anderson and Krajewski felt that it should wait until January. Elder also gave the Board the Keith County Detention Center Twenty Year Bond Summaries (12-23-2020) that he had compiled.

At 10:01 a.m. Crandall moved to go into executive session to discuss Courthouse parking and to discuss parameters for parking for the protection of the reputation of an individual, Elder seconded the motion. Anderson, Ervin, Elder, Crandall and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Elder moved go into executive session to discuss employee matters and personnel for the protection of the reputation of an individual, Crandall seconded the motion. Ervin, Anderson, Crandall, Elder and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Krajewski stated the Board was going into executive session to discuss Courthouse parking and to discuss parameters for parking for the protection of the reputation of an individual and to discuss employee matters and personnel for the protection of the reputation of an individual. At 10:53 a.m. Ervin moved to return to open session, Elder seconded the motion. Crandall, Anderson, Elder, Ervin and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned. The Board will meet again Wednesday, December 30, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Ogallala.

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Toney Krajewski Chairman

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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**

COVID-19 strategy.

Lemoyne Senior Center door bids.

Executive session – Courthouse parking.

Courthouse parking.

Executive session – Personnel.

Personnel.

**New Business**

8:30 a.m. – Zoning Administration for Keith County Amber Kuskie. Wengert Road Vacation.