

May 6, 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 and Kim Elder. Commissioner Lane Anderson attended the meeting via Zoom. Also attending the meeting was County Clerk Sandra Olson. County Attorney Randy Fair attended the meeting via Zoom. Elder moved to approve the agenda, Crandall seconded the motion. Ervin, Anderson, Crandall, Elder and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Ervin moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, Crandall seconded the motion. Anderson, Elder, Crandall, 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.

Salaries - \$162,546.59

General Fund

Andersen Sign, Car lettering, \$786.04; Gregory Beal, Services, \$3,147.75; Consolidated Plumbing & Heating, Senior Center repairs, \$96.00; Culligan, Jail repairs, \$539.00; DAS State Acctg-Central Finance, Monthly network lease, \$704.00; Datashield, Cart service, \$48.55; ES&S, Ballot prep, ballots, \$2,546.17; John Deere, Console equipment, \$27.99; Keith County Court, Uncollectible costs, \$573.00; Keith County District Court, Docket fees, \$72.00; Kent's Towing and Repair, Towing, \$125.00; Martin Home Inspection Services, Mold inspection, \$1,070.00; NE Institute of Forensic Sciences, Autopsies, \$2,000.00; Notary Public Underwriters of NE, Notary, \$101.00; Ron Olson, Mileage, \$57.50; PB Electronics, Supplies, \$1,015.00; Al Siple, Bathroom remodel, \$4,500.00; Pro Printing & Graphics, Sign in registers, \$131.40; Quality Farm & Ranch, Supplies, \$384.11; Oshkosh Clinic, Inmate doctor visit, \$209.00; Top Quality Mfg., Black gloves, \$77.50; Wex Bank, Fuel, \$36.18

Road & Bridge Fund

Barco, Safety vests, \$85.23; CenturyLink, Service, \$274.36; Consolidated Telephone, Service, \$103.68; Kelly's Trucking, Trucking, \$4,200.00; Medical Enterprises, DOT testing, \$73.75; S&D Trucking, Trucking, \$4,200.00

CBSA Health Insurance Claim Fund

KC Clerk/Flex Claims Account, Flex claims, \$1,122.95; KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$4,072.02

Emergency Phone 911 Fund

CenturyLink, Viper internet connection, \$83.84; Consolidated, Address maintenance, \$36.00

Wireless 911 Services Fund

CenturyLink, Viper internet connection, \$440.18

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

Board reports were given and correspondence received. The Board received April's fee report from the Clerk's Office and the Clerk of the District Court's Office.

Crandall asked County Attorney Randy Fair if the Board declared the County property located at 1501 W 5th Street in Ogallala, NE surplus if the property could be taken out of surplus. Fair stated that yes it could be put into surplus and then taken out if there was a use for it. The Board is going to leave this item on the agenda under unfinished business.

Elder discussed the Needs Assessment Study with the Board. Elder told the Board the cost to do steps one through eight would be \$106,777.50 and the cost to do steps one through four would be \$13,000.00 plus. Elder said that he had been told there are also other options but he

had not been given the figures for these other options. Elder said he should have figures by next week for the Board review. This item will remain on the agenda under unfinished business.

Spencer Thomas with Novo Benefits presented the Board with renewal rates for the County's health insurance via Zoom.

CJ Poltack with WCNDD spoke to the Board about the Nuisance Pilot Project via Zoom. The resolution for this will be ready for next week.

Judd Allen and Doug Leafgreen with NACO presented the Board with health insurance information from the NACO Group via Zoom.

Krajewski said he had spoken to Jack Collings with Sidney Roofing regarding on going jail roof leaks. Ervin said that she felt that the Board should start to set deadlines with Collings, that they set a date for the roof to be repaired and let Collings know that work must be done by the deadline or the Board would have it done and Collings would pay for it. Ervin questioned County Attorney Randy Fair if that could be done and Fair stated yes it could be done. Krajewski will stop and relay the message to Collings.

County Attorney Randy Fair spoke to the Board about towing and storage bills involving law enforcement. Fair told the Board he had just become aware after receiving two phone calls that victims whose vehicles were stolen were having to pay towing fees to get their vehicles out of storage. Fair said he felt the victim's reimbursement should come out of the Inheritance Tax Fund. As there is a line item in the Miscellaneous Function of the General Fund the Board suggested that would be where the reimbursement for the victims will come out of. Fair will work with Sheriff Jeff Stevens in identifying towing charges to victims.

No action was taken on the agenda items of Flex/CDHP Verification and Set-up or the Maximum election of flexible spending accounts.

Ervin moved to adopt the resolution where the amended budget made provisions for the transfer of up to \$400,000.00 from the Inheritance Tax Fund; \$220,000.00 of this transfer is to be considered a loan from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund for the purposes of financing costs of jail operations and the Board now finds it necessary to transfer \$100,000.00 from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund for financing costs of jail operations, Crandall seconded the motion. Anderson, Elder, Crandall, Ervin and Krajewski voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. This resolution will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2020-41.

County Clerk Sandra Olson told the Board that the County no longer had employees on the National Insurance Services so there would be no sense in signing the renewal.

County Attorney Randy Fair and Emergency Manager Dave Kling spoke to the Board regarding a Mass Fatality Plan. There was not an executive session for this agenda item.

The Board discussed visiting with the County offices to get a precise plan concerning an opening strategy for the Courthouse. There was no action in open or executive session for the COVID-19 agenda item.

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned. The Board will meet again Wednesday, May 13, 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 - COVID-19.

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Needs Assessment Study discussion and approval.

Declare County property at 1501 W 5th Street, Ogallala, NE as surplus.

Flex/CDHP Verification & Set-up.

Maximum election of flexible spending account.

New Business

Ameritas Vision Insurance renewal.

Clint Halligan – Planning and Zoning issue.

COVID-19 Opening strategy.

Executive session – Personnel.

Personnel.

Executive session – Building improvements and negotiations.

Building improvements and negotiations.

Health and Safety Nuisance Resolution.