

## April 28, 2021

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

### **General Fund**

Adams Bank & Trust, Business checks, \$57.50; Jami Arenz, Refund, \$75.00; Banner Health, Inmates hospital visits, \$665.25; Boarders Inn & Suites, Lodging, \$288.00; DAS State Acctg - Central Finance, Lease, \$704.00; Davis Design, Phase 2 Jails Needs Assessment, \$4,487.40; Diagnostic Radiology, Inmate examines, \$291.00; Dickinson Land Surveyors, Updating plat books, \$129.00; Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Service fee, \$22.77; E-Logic, Adapter, \$19.00; Encartele, Calling cards, \$600.00; Hunt Insurance Group, Inmate medical care policy, \$4,422.00; Keith County Treasurer, Employer share health insurance, \$441.72; Kent's Towing and Repair, Towing, \$175.00; Bo Kuskie, Refund, \$50.00; Nebraska Institute of Forensic Sciences, Full autopsies, \$2,000.00; Nebraska Printworks, Business checks, \$20.90; Sarah Rivas, Witness fee, \$20.00; Scotts Bluff County Detention Center, Housing inmates, medical, \$5,280.42; Deb Silverman, Transcript, \$110.15

### **Road and Bridge Fund**

Kelly's Trucking, Trucking, \$3,800.00

### **Visitors Fund**

Flagship Publishing Inc., Ad, \$2,050.00; Keith County News, Meeting notice, \$6.75; Lonergan Creek Media, Contract, \$1,400.00; Nebraska Game & Parks, Ad, \$600.00; Nebraska Lincoln Hwy Historic Byway, Dues, \$200.00; NPPD, Service, \$69.83; NPW, Table tents, \$78.04; NRG Media, Radio ads, \$590.00; Keith County Chamber of Commerce, Contract, postage, fee, copies, lamination, \$3,762.01; Prairie Mountain Media, Online Boost posts, \$150.00

### **Visitors Improvement Fund**

Andersen Sign Company, Sign, \$2,210.00; Firespring, Monthly hosting, work on site, \$394.99; Lonergan Creek Media, Contract, \$1,400.00; Midwest Electric, Service, \$93.39; Move Creative, Lake Mac app, \$825.00; NPPD, Service, \$54.22; Keith County Chamber of Commerce, Contract, flooring case, \$4,256.56

### **CBSA Health Insurance Claim Fund**

KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$3,487.18

### **Inheritance Tax Fund**

Keith County Housing Dev Corp, Donation pledge, \$25,000.00

### **Emergency Phone 911 Fund**

ATC Communications, Data circuits, \$118.14; CenturyLink, Warranty support, \$158.40; Consolidated, Maintenance, \$36.00; NEMA, Tower rent, \$3,600.00

### **Wireless 911 Services Fund**

CenturyLink, Warranty support, \$831.60

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

Poncik told the Board that he had eight prisoners in and six prisoners farmed out.

Jail Advisory Committee Member Starla Queen, Head Jailer Travis Poncik, Chief Deputy Shawn Hebbert and Sheriff Jeff Stevens were present for the agenda item of the Jail Advisory Board results. Anderson told the Board that what the Advisory Board was looking for was approval to have Davis & Associates design a footprint of a seventy or eighty beds jail and see how much land it would require. Anderson said of the Advisory Board two members voted for a seventy bed facility and ten members voted for an eighty bed facility. Hebbert stated that what they would actually like to see was a seventy two bed facility with eight holding cells. Schroeder moved to approve requesting Davis and Associates to make a footprint of a seventy two bed facility with eight holding cells, Ervin seconded the motion. Krajewski, Anderson, Ervin, Schroeder and Crandall voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Keith County Chamber of Commerce Director Karla Scott updated the Board on last week's Visitors Committee. Scott had four grant requests to present to the Board. The first grant request was for the National Pony Express Association in the amount of one thousand dollars. Krajewski moved to approve this grant, Anderson seconded the motion. Ervin, Schroeder, Anderson, Krajewski and Crandall voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. The second grant request was for the Keith County Chamber of Commerce for the Indian Summer Rendezvous in the amount of eight thousand dollars. Ervin moved to approve this grant, Anderson seconded the motion. Schroeder, Krajewski, Anderson, Ervin and Crandall voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. The third grant request was for the Big Give Bash in the amount of four thousand five hundred dollars. Ervin moved to approve this request, Krajewski seconded the motion. Schroeder, Anderson, Krajewski, Ervin and Crandall voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. The fourth grant request was for the Wayfinding Project for a welcoming message in the amount of ten thousand eight hundred seventy five dollars. Anderson moved to approve this request, Ervin seconded the motion. Krajewski, Schroeder, Ervin, Anderson and Crandall voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Scott also asked the Board to approve a six month extension to the Unity Project for the Collister Park renovation. Schroeder moved to approve this extension, Ervin seconded the motion. Anderson, Krajewski, Ervin, Schroeder and Crandall voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. The last item Scott brought before the Board was a recommendation for the appointment of Shalee Krajewski to the Visitors Committee Board. Schroeder moved to appoint Krajewski to the Visitors Committee Board, Anderson seconded the motion. Ervin, Krajewski, Anderson, Schroeder and Crandall voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

On the agenda item of LB updates Ervin told the Board that the bill for the three percent lid had failed. Schroeder said that he thought the following bills would be coming up: LB 380 a two percent increase for Medicaid providers, LB 367 a family support bill, LB 493 creates a waiting list and LB 527 is an age transition from fourteen to sixteen for adult care.

On the Keith County digital radios Crandall told the Board he had spoken to Dell and asked him to contact the company about the radios to get updated figures.

Olson told the Board that Building and Grounds Superintendent Chris Marlton had e-mailed her and asked that the bids for the Lemoyne Senior Center roof be put off until next week as he could not attend the meeting today.

The Board gave reports and received correspondence. The Board received April's fee reports from the Sheriff's Department.

The Board moved to the Courtroom where County employees listened to presentations from Brenda Branstiter with Wholeness Healing and Chad Thies with Zelle Human Resource Solutions. Ervin told employees that the Board would like to meet with employees once a month for questions, answers and concerns.

The Board returned to the Board Room where they spoke to Chad Thies and Jake McMullin with Zelle Human Resource Solutions about cost of this service. This item agenda item of HR position contract will be placed on next week's agenda as both executive and open session.

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned. The Board will meet again Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Ogallala.

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Chairman  
Corey Crandall

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County Clerk  
Sandra K. Olson

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**

LB updates.

Keith County digital radios.

Lemoyne Senior Center roof repairs bids.

9:00 a.m. – Executive session – HR position contract.

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### **New Business**

Highway Superintendent Tim Ryan - Noxious Weeds Reports and Requirements.

8:30 a.m. – Visitors Committee Service Provider – Elise Lockhart. Visitors Committee update.

Allowing AEI's to enroll in coverage different from the coverage they had at the time of their qualifying event.