

August 26, 2015

The Keith County Board of Commissioners met for their regular meeting at the Courthouse in Ogallala. Chairman Peters 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 Lonnie Peters, Chairman, and Commissioners Caleb Johnson, Jeff Armour and C.W. Baltzell. Commissioner W.E. O'Connor was absent. Also attending the meeting were County Clerk Sandra Olson, County Attorney Randy Fair and the media. Johnson moved to approve the agenda, Baltzell seconded the motion. Armour, Baltzell, Johnson and Peters voting aye; O'Connor absent; none voting nay; motion carried. Baltzell moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, Armour seconded the motion. Johnson, Armour, Baltzell and Peters voting aye; O'Connor absent; none voting nay; motion carried. Commissioner O'Connor entered the meeting. Johnson moved to approve the payment of claims, Baltzell seconded the motion. O'Connor, Armour, Baltzell, Johnson and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

General Fund

Arthur Enterprise, Subscription, \$20.00; Gregory Beal, Alternate Public Defender, \$2,176.42; Cash-Wa, Prisoner Board, \$712.24; Central NE Cremation & Mortuary, Autopsies, \$807.00; Culligan, Water, \$13.00; Datashield, Shredding, \$48.55; District 11 Probation, Budget payment, \$8,584.80; Dr. Deb's Express Medical Care, Office visit, \$100.00; Eakes, Supplies, \$11.96; Randy Fair, Mileage, \$17.82; Theresa Fisher, Computer consultation, \$455.00; Keith County District Court, Docket fees, \$131.00; Keith County Sheriff, Sheriff fees, \$2,097.22; Keith County Treasurer, Title, \$10.00; Lincoln County Sheriff, Service fees, \$18.00; Maximus, Consulting fees, \$1,638.00; Matzke & Mattoon, LLC, Services, \$2,981.25; Dorisa Morris Court Reporter, Depositions, \$218.95; NACO, Registration, \$45.00; NE Institute of Forensic Sciences, Services, \$4,000.00; Notary Division, Commission fee, \$30.00; Nebraska PrintWorks, Envelopes, \$245.80; NPPD, Service, \$302.32; Nancie Nygaard, Cleaning, \$100.00; Office Service, Supplies, \$190.50; Orkin Inc., Pest control, \$103.83; Paxton Welding, Repairs, \$989.45; Perkins County Sheriff, Fees, \$18.50; Reynolds, Korth & Samuelson, Services, \$751.00; Schwan's, Prisoner Board, \$25.72; USPS, Stamps, \$98.00; USDA APHIS, Predatory animal control, \$3,307.60; Howard White, Mileage, \$28.75; George Zeilinger, Services, \$2,216.25

Road Fund

NPPD, Service, \$118.44

Visitors Fund

Flagship Publishing, Inc., Advertising, \$2,750.00; iHeartMedia, Advertising, \$300.00; Iowa Sportsman, Advertising, \$615.00; Keith County News, Publishing, \$6.75; Lonergan Creek Media, Contract, \$900.00; Nebraska Life Magazine, Advertising, \$4,332.00; NPPD, Service, \$17.86; Nebraska Travel Association, Dues, \$300.00; Ogallala/Keith County Chamber of Commerce, Contract, \$2,672.92; Western Nebraska Tourism Coalition, Dues, \$4,782.35

Visitors Improvement Fund

Andersen Sign, Repairs on billboard, \$1,850.00; Lamar Companies, Billboard lease, \$720.00; Lonergan Creek Media, Contract, \$900.00; Midwest Electric, Service, \$124.34; NPPD, Service, \$76.08; Ogallala/Keith County Chamber of Commerce, Contract, \$2,672.92

CBSA Health Insurance Claim Fund

KC Clerk/Flex Claims Account, Flex claims, \$688.00; KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$4,533.87

Diversion Fund

Darrell Crawford, Training, \$100.00

Federal Grant Fund

AS Central Services-OCIO, Network monitoring, support, \$150.40; Platte Valley Communications, Repairs, \$1,500.40

Emergency 911 Fund

Consolidated, Service, \$36.00

The Board heard reports from Sheriff Jeff Stevens, Head Jailer Travis Poncik, Highway Superintendent Tim Ryan, Zoning Administrator Jack Quinlivan and Budget Consultant Pete Peterson.

Board reports were given and correspondence received. The Board received inventories from the following offices: Communications, County Clerk, County Board, Veteran, County Court, Noxious Weeds, Planning and Zoning, Building and Grounds, County Board, Extension, County Assessor, County Treasurer, County Sheriff, Roads and County Attorney.

Dave Nelson spoke to the Board regarding the hazards of the ditches on county roads not being mowed.

Visitors Committee Administrator Andrea Snead updated the Board on last week's Visitors Committee meeting.

Armour moved to approve the grant request from the Historical Society in the amount of \$5,000.00 for replacement of the ceilings and walls at the Little Church of Keystone contingent on the \$19,134.70 being raised as recommended by the Visitors Committee, Baltzell seconded the motion. Johnson, O'Connor, Baltzell, Armour and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Johnson reported that he had spoken to Spencer Thomas with Cobecon regarding the service agreements and that Spencer would work on the agreements where it stated that any litigation regarding these agreements would be handled in New York. These agreements will be taken off the agenda until this issue is settled.

County Attorney Randy Fair told the Board that he had spoken to the Lance Lambdin who is legal counsel for the State Auditor's office. Fair told the Board that he had told Mr. Lambdin that it was his position that Keith County was not part of the dissolution of the Sandhills District Health Department and unless they could point to something specific that would legally make Keith County responsible for this bill he would not recommend payment.

Sheriff Jeff Stevens introduced his new deputy, Tad Vosberg, to the Board.

Baltzell moved to adopt the resolution for tax allocations to miscellaneous districts, O'Connor seconded the motion. Armour, Johnson, O'Connor, Baltzell and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. This resolution will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2015-44.

Budget Consultant Pete Peterson conducted a budget workshop for the Board and County Officials.

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned. The Board will meet again Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Ogallala.

Lonnie Peters

Sandra Olson

Chairman

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.

New business

Visitors Committee concerns and contracts.

Potential executive session – Visitors Committee concerns and contracts.

Nomination of Lonnie Peters as voting delegate to Nebraska Cooperative Government.