

February 4, 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 Jeff Armour, C.W. Baltzell and Caleb Johnson. Commissioner W.E. O'Connor was absent. Also attending the meeting were County Clerk Sandra Olson and the media. Baltzell moved to approve the agenda, Johnson seconded the motion. Armour, Johnson, Baltzell and Peters voting aye; O'Connor absent; none voting nay; motion carried. Johnson moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, Baltzell seconded the motion. Armour, Baltzell, Johnson and Peters voting aye; O'Connor absent; none voting nay; motion carried. O'Connor entered the meeting at 8:10 a.m. Johnson moved to approve the payment of all claims except the Hartford claims subject to review, Baltzell seconded the motion. O'Connor, Armour, Baltzell, Johnson and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Baltzell moved to approve the payment of the Hartford claims, Armour seconded the motion. O'Connor, Armour, Baltzell and Peters voting aye; Johnson abstain; none voting nay; motion carried.

Salaries - \$106,461.31

General Fund

Allo, Service, \$3,176.89; AS Central Services - OCIO, Lease, \$448.00; American Bullet, Bullets, \$195.41; City of Ogallala, Service, \$286.70; Community Internet, Website hosting, \$171.00; Consolidated Management, Meals, \$4.25; Elizabeth Cook, Medical jail coverage, \$1,200.00; Dell Marketing, Toner, \$296.97; DP Electronics, Supplies, \$34.98; Eakes, Copier agreement, supplies, \$190.94; Beverly Hawkins, Fees, \$20.00; Hehnke's, Prisoner Board, \$486.56; Holiday Inn, Lodging, \$91.00; Caleb Johnson, Mileage, \$57.50; Keith County CBSA Health Insurance Fund, Health insurance premiums, \$61,274.34; Keith County Clerk, Recording fees, \$10.00; Keith County News, Publishing, \$1,047.09; Gary Krajewski, Public defender, \$5,000.00; MIPS, Service, \$372.75; Tammy Murphy, DNA testing, \$2,650.00; NE Association of County Clerks, Dues, \$50.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, Registration, \$1,260.00; NPPD, Service, \$2,057.77; Office Service, Supplies, \$136.22; Ogallala True Value, Supplies, \$95.16; Ogallala Watering Hole, Fuel, \$30.17; O'Keefe Elevator, Maintenance agreement, \$258.46; Bonita Patch, Cleaning, \$100.00; Redfield & Company, Supplies, \$425.07; The Hartford Priority Account, Life insurance premiums, \$242.40; Hasler, Postage, \$246.00; USPS, Stamps, \$453.00; University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Fee reimbursement, \$400.00

Road Fund

Allo, Service, \$131.49; Consolidated Telephone, Service, \$103.63; Eichners Sales & Service, Supplies, \$15.68; Fraser Welding, Parts, labor, supplies, \$295.68; Keith County CBSA Health Insurance Fund, Health insurance premiums, \$14,845.36; Medical Enterprises, DOT testing, \$93.00; Shell, Fuel, \$140.66; The Hartford Priority Account, Life insurance premiums, \$52.80; US Postmaster, Stamps, \$70.00

CBSA Health Insurance Claim Fund

KC Clerk/Flex Claims Account, Flex claims, \$757.15; KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$10,916.35; Meritain Health, Administration fees, \$21,348.04

Emergency 911 Fund

Allo, Service, \$500.00; Glenwood, Tower rent, \$255.00

The Board heard reports from 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 January fee reports from the Sheriff's office, the Clerk's office and the Clerk of the District Court.

Zoning Administrator Jack Quinlivan spoke to the Board regarding term expiration for Planning Commission members Alex McConnell, Dean Koonz and Mark Spurgin. This item will remain on the agenda under unfinished business.

The agenda item of health insurance review will remain on the agenda under unfinished business while the Board reviews information.

Visitors Committee Administrator Chris Vail updated the Board on the January Visitors Committee meeting.

Vail and Visitors Committee member Deb Schilz spoke to the Board on the unfinished business agenda item of the Oregon Trails Home Builders grant request. Schilz also spoke to the Board regarding possible new guidelines for the Improvement grant applications.

Baltzell moved to approve the Oregon Trails Home Builders grant request in the amount of \$1,000.00, Armour seconded the motion. O'Connor, Johnson, Armour, Baltzell and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

County Attorney Randy Fair entered the meeting at 8:38 a.m.

Clerk of the District Court Tina DeVoe spoke to the Board regarding boxes of records that are currently stored at New Perspectives. DeVoe told the Board that New Perspectives has approximately 39 boxes of District Court records and that New Perspectives had given her an estimate of \$2,437.50 to scan the records and destroy them. DeVoe said the other option was to go there and bring the boxes back. It was noted that there was not enough in DeVoe's budget to have them scanned or retrieved in this budget year. DeVoe will contact New Perspectives and ask them if they would house the records until next budget year and find out what it will cost to have them shipped back.

Armour moved to reappoint Larry Cummings to the Hospital Authority Board, O'Connor seconded the motion. Baltzell, Johnson, O'Connor, Armour and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Baltzell moved to authorize Chairman Peters signing the amended Interlocal Agreement with the Southwest Public Health Department, O'Connor seconded the motion. Johnson, Armour, O'Connor, Baltzell and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. This agreement will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2015-5.

No action was taken on the agenda item of the Ogallala/Keith County Chamber of Commerce Visitors Committee public records request. This item will remain on the agenda under unfinished business until the Attorney General's opinion is received.

On the Sandhills District Health Department bad debt agenda item Peters reported that the satellite phone that was purchased from the State of Nebraska had been returned to the State of Nebraska. No action was taken. The bad debt for the Sandhills District Health Department will remain on the agenda under unfinished business.

At 9:55 a.m. O'Connor moved to go into executive session to conduct employee evaluations with no decisions to be made, Johnson seconded the motion. Baltzell, Armour, Johnson, O'Connor and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Peters stated they would be going into executive session to conduct employee evaluations with no decisions to be made. At 11:07 a.m. Armour moved to return to open session with no decisions having been made, Baltzell seconded the motion. O'Connor, Johnson, Baltzell, Armour and Peters 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, February 11, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Ogallala.

Lonnie Peters

Chairman

Sandra 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

Ogallala/Keith County Chamber of Commerce/Visitors Committee public records request – Attorney General Opinion.

Sandhills District Health Department unpaid debt.

Health insurance review.

Zoning Administrator Jack Quinlivan – Discussion on term expiration for Planning Commission members Alex McConnell, Dean Koonz and Mark Spurgin.

New business

Integrity Steel Works contract for lock maintenance at jail.

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