

January 24, 2024

The Keith County Board of Commissioners met for their regular meeting at the Courthouse in Ogallala. Chairperson Anderson 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 Chairperson Lane Anderson and Commissioners Toney Krajewski, Corey Crandall and Dale Schroeder. Commissioner Joan Ervin was absent. Also attending the meeting was County Clerk Sandra Olson. Krajewski moved to approve the agenda, Schroeder seconded the motion. Crandall, Schroeder, Krajewski and Anderson voting aye; Ervin absent; none voting nay; motion carried. Crandall moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, Krajewski seconded the motion. Krajewski, Crandall and Anderson voting aye; Schroeder abstain; Ervin absent; none voting nay; motion carried. Krajewski moved to approve the payment of claims, Schroeder seconded the motion. Crandall, Schroeder, Krajewski and Anderson voting aye; Ervin absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Salaries - \$242,312.35

General Fund

Albertsons/Safeway ,Prisoner Board, \$65.55; The Arthur Enterprise, Advertising, \$16.80; Black Hills Energy, Service, \$1,754.95; Bomgaars, Supplies, \$260.07; Cash-Wa Distribution, Board for prisoners, janitorial, \$755.85; CenturyLink, Circuits, service, \$442.14; Correll Refrigeration, Repairs, \$623.00; Culligan, Water, \$21.00; DAS State Acctg-Central Finance, Lease, \$844.80; Datashield, Shredding, \$105.36; Dickinson Land Surveyors, Services, \$600.20; Draucker Funeral Home, County burial, \$1,131.21; Law Office of Steven E. Elmshaeuser, LLC, Services, \$6,300.00; Five Nines, Desktops, computers, server, \$77,672.33; Tania Fox, Transcripts, \$369.60; Keith County District Court, Docket fees, \$401.00; Kent's Towing and Repair, Towing, \$450.00; Knapp Electric, Maintenance/repair, \$2,016.34; Lindemeier Law, Services, \$770.74; Microfilm Imaging Systems, Rentals, \$212.00; MIPS, Digital signature, \$75.00; NPPD, Service, \$189.50; Quadient Leasing USA, Inc., Lease payment, \$608.17; Sterling Commissary, LLC, Commissary, \$67.20; Steve's Body and Paint, Towing, \$200.00; Verizon, Service, \$947.73

Road & Bridge Fund

Big Mac Diesel, Parts, \$1,650.87; Black Hills Energy, Service, \$702.63; J&A Traffic Products, Sign posts, signs, \$2,830.00; NPPD, Service, \$124.81; Verizon, Service, \$42.88; WEX Bank, Fuel, \$31.20

Visitors Fund

Keith County Chamber, Contract, expenses, \$9,831.58; Keith County News, Meeting notices, Lake Guide, \$5,007.28; Midwest Electric, Service, \$89.27; NPPD, Service, \$97.11

Visitors Improvement Fund

Firespring, Web hosting, \$195.00; Keith County Chamber, Contract, \$7,875.00

CBSA Health Insurance Claim Fund

KC Clerk/Flex Claims Account, Flex claims, \$600.00; KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$4,095.11

Inheritance Tax Fund

Estate of Ivor D. Dilky, Overpayment on Inheritance Tax, \$5,047.31

Emergency Phone 911 Fund

Consolidated Telecom Inc., Service, \$119.04; NRIN, Site connections, \$3,600.00

Wireless 911 Services Fund

CenturyLink, Service, \$579.90; PowerTech, Pad and connections, \$11,000.00

Ambulance Fund

Life First Learning, LLC, Registrations, \$3,446.40

The Board heard the reports of Head Jailer Travis Poncik and Highway Superintendent Thomas Wilbur.

Poncik told the Board he had eleven (11) prisoners in and four (4) prisoners farmed out.

Board reports were given and correspondence received.

Krajewski moved to approve the travel request of Weed Superintendent Jamie Moore to attend Weed Superintendent training in Kearney March 26th to March 28th, Schroeder seconded the motion. Crandall, Schroeder, Krajewski and Anderson voting aye; Ervin absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Crandall moved to declare a surplus property and allow it to be transferred to the Roads Department, Schroeder seconded the motion. Krajewski, Schroeder, Crandall and Anderson voting aye; Ervin absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Krajewski moved to approve the travel request of Emergency Manager Dave Kling to attend a NEMA Board meeting in Kearney, Crandall seconded the motion. Schroeder, Crandall, Krajewski and Anderson voting aye; Ervin absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Cody Fenwick appeared before the Board and asked that in the event of an illness if rather than closing her office any length of time if she could train the County Building Inspector Steve Broda to do permits. Crandall stated he did not have any objection to closing the office for two (2) to three (3) days and felt it could be discussed if anything should happen for a longer period of time. Schroeder stated the only problem he had with closing the office would be if it delayed someone getting their permit in time to get Board approval to move forward.

Zoning Administrator Cody Fenwick appeared before the Board with a resolution for a county right of way vacation. Attorney Josh Wendell and his client John Corkle asked the Board to take more time to consider what this resolution would actually do. Anderson stated that County Attorney Randy Fair had spoken to them and they felt confident with what he had told them the resolution would do. Krajewski moved to adopt this resolution, Crandall seconded the motion. Schroeder, Crandall, Krajewski and Anderson voting aye; Ervin absent; none voting nay; motion carried. This resolution will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2024-8.

Budget Consultant Caleb Johnson appeared before the Board with a letter of engagement for levy calculation for J13 Enterprises LLC for three (3) years at a rate of seven hundred seventy five dollars (\$775.00) per year. Krajewski moved to approve the letter of engagement for levy calculation with Johnson for three (3) years at seven hundred seventy five dollars (\$775.00) per year, Crandall seconded the motion. Schroeder, Crandall, Krajewski and Anderson voting aye; Ervin absent; none voting nay; motion carried. This letter of engagement will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2024-9.

It was also noted that the letter of engagement that the Board approved last week for budget consulting was also with J13 Enterprises LLC rather than Caleb Johnson individually.

Ty Brown, Phares Financial and Jason Hansen, Midwest Family Financial appeared before the Board to discuss employee benefits. Matt Syfrett appeared via Zoom to explain the Health Compass Inc. program.

Keith County Chamber of Commerce Tourism Director Shawn Hebbert appeared before the Board to give them a Visitors Committee meeting update.

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned. The Board will meet again Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Ogallala.

Chairperson
Lane Anderson

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.