

**June 14, 2017**

The Keith County Board of Commissioners met for their meeting at the Courthouse in Ogallala. Chairman Johnson 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 Caleb Johnson, Chairman, and Commissioners Lonnie Peters, Kim Elder, C.W. Baltzell and Toney Krajewski. Also attending the meeting were Deputy County Clerk Lindsey Krab, County Attorney Randy Fair and the media. Krajewski moved to approve the agenda, Baltzell seconded the motion. Peters, Elder, Baltzell, Krajewski and Johnson voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Elder moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, Peters seconded the motion. Krajewski, Baltzell, Peters, Elder and Johnson voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Baltzell moved to approve the payment of all claims upon review, Peters seconded the motion. Elder, Krajewski, Peters, Baltzell and Johnson voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

**General Fund**

Albertson's/Safeway, Prisoner board, \$278.13; BJ Harris, Annual service agreement, \$750.00; Black Hills Energy, Service, \$609.87; Bob Barker Company, Uniform allowance, \$30.00; Cash-Wa Dist, Prisoner board, \$671.27; Century Link, Service, \$363.91; CHS Grainland, Fuel, \$2,055.16; Culligan, Water, \$19.50; Tina DeVoe, Travel, meals, \$63.66; Eakes, Supplies, \$241.02; Lori Hill, Supplies, \$85.03; Laurie Hood, Mileage, postage, \$65.79; John Deere Financial, Supplies, \$294.97; Caleb Johnson, Mileage, meals, supplies, \$172.02; Keith County Ag Society, Booth rent, \$25.00; District Court, Fees, \$474.58; Keith County News Inc., Publishing, \$470.00; Kildare Lumber, Supplies, \$45.52; LaQuinta Inns & Suites, Lodging, \$374.85; Lincoln County Detention Center, Inmate housing, \$10,794.50; Microfilm Imaging Systems, Service agreement, \$24.00; NACO, Registration, \$125.00; Nebraska Print Works, Supplies, \$67.22; Office Service, Supplies, \$16.81; Pinnacle Bank, Deposit books, charges, \$150.70; Plumbing Plus, Repairs, \$1,498.69; Schmidt Motors, Service, \$155.00; US Postal Service, Postage for machine, \$7,500.00

**Road Fund**

CHS Grainland, Fuel, \$2,243.89; Cornhusker Glass, Parts, labor, \$309.75; Culligan, Supplies, \$6.50; Happy Jack's Travel Stop, Fuel, \$109.67; Humphreys Auto, Parts, \$162.04; Ideal Linen, Coveralls, \$157.45; John Deere Financial, Supplies, \$26.97; NMC Exchange, Parts, oil, \$4,267.23; O'Reilly Automotive, Parts, supplies, \$131.84; Paulsen Inc., Gravel, \$6,567.82; Paxton Pit Stop, Fuel, \$188.72; Poppe's Truck & Diesel, Parts, labor, \$258.59; Powerplan, Parts, labor, \$622.20; Sapp Brothers Petroleum, Fuel, oil, \$3,733.44; T & C Service, Tire repair, \$51.00; Truck & Auto Alignment, Parts, labor, \$77.85; Unitech, Supplies, \$175.50; Village of Brule, Water service, \$72.00; Village of Paxton, Electric service, \$82.99; Village of Paxton, Water service, trash, \$138.86; 21st Century, Parts, \$826.27

**Highway Buyback Fund**

Martin Marietta, Chip rock, \$50,805.44; Packard's Power, Haul rock, \$2,950.00

**CBSA Health Insurance Claim Fund**

KC Clerk/Flex Claims Account, Flex claims, \$281.30; \$281.30

**Veterans Aid Fund**

Palmer Monument Co, Headstone, \$250.00;

**Inheritance Tax Fund**

Sandhills Crisis Intervention Program, Services, \$10,000.00

**Emergency 911 Fund**

Consolidated Telephone Inc., E911, \$119.04

The Board heard the reports of Sheriff Jeff Stevens and District Court Clerk Tina DeVoe.

The Board gave reports and received correspondence. The Board received June's fee report from the Treasurer's office.

Johnson and Fair were going to seek out additional clarity as it relates to the end date in the agreements with Springbuk. The following insurance items from Meritain were tabled until next week: Service Order End User – Blackstone, Business Associate Agreement, Board letter to Meritain, Board letter to Magellan, Springbuk, Inc. End User License Agreement, Authorization

to Share Plan Information and the Summary of Material Modification and Amendment #7 to the Keith County Employee Benefit Plan Group No. 12315.

Johnson noted that County Clerk Sandra Olson had approved three Special Designated Liquor Licenses for the Keith County Ag Society for the following dates: July 1, July 26 and July 28, 2017.

Roger Rankin appeared before the Board to discuss the CERT organization. Additional members Police Chief Dave Kling, Jackie Triplette and Laurie Hood spoke about the involvement the CERT organization has with the local law enforcements and fire department. They expressed concerns with the status of the Emergency Manager position who in the past has had involvement with the CERT organization. Johnson stated that the county is currently taking applications to fill the position through June 23, 2017.

Kathleen Bauer presented the Board with a budget request for SCIP. The Board will take this request under consideration when working on the budget.

Allen Smith appeared before the Board to discuss Green Acres trailer park.

Dave Brown introduced himself to the Board as the county's new Aflac Representative.

County Attorney Randy Fair, elected officials and some employees spoke to the Board about their concerns with the cost of living raise. Considerable discussion was held regarding employee/employer contribution levels as it relates to the health premiums.

Krajewski moved to leave the employee and county percentages of health insurance premiums the same, but with a raise in the premium amount and a 2.5% cost of living raise for employees. Peters seconded the motion. Deputy County Clerk Lindsey Krab asked Krajewski to verify if the 2.5% cost of living raise was for employees and elected officials or just employees excluding elected officials. Krajewski stated it was employees and elected officials. Peters withdrew his motion as he thought it was only for employees only. Krajewski then stated his motion would be for a 2.5% cost of living raise for employees only. Peters seconded the motion. Elder, Baltzell, Peters and Krajewski voting aye; Johnson voting nay; motion carried.

The elected officials agenda item will be put on next week's agenda under unfinished business.

There was no action or discussion on the employee pay scale or personnel.

Peters moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the Meritain Grandfather Plan Verification and Registration, Baltzell seconded the motion. Krajewski, Elder, Baltzell, Peters and Johnson voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

At 11:18 a.m. Krajewski moved to go into executive session to discuss computer services agreement and contract negotiation with no decisions to be made, Peters seconded the motion. Elder, Baltzell, Peters, Krajewski and Johnson voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Peters moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel for evaluation purposes with no decisions being made, Elder seconded the motion. Krajewski, Baltzell, Elder, Peters and Johnson voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Johnson moved to go into executive session to discuss possible claims against the county as it relates to litigation strategy, Krajewski seconded. Elder, Peters, Baltzell, Krajewski and Johnson voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Johnson stated they were going into executive session to discuss computer services agreement and contract negotiation with no decision being made, to discuss personnel for evaluation purposes with no decisions being made and to discuss possible claims against the county as it relates to litigation strategy. At 12:46 p.m. Peters moved to return to open session with no decisions having been made, Baltzell seconded the motion. Elder, Krajewski, Baltzell, Peters and Johnson 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 on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Ogallala.

\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy County Clerk  
Caleb W. Johnson Lindsey Krab

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**

Meritain – Service Order End user – Blackstone.  
Meritain – Business Associate Agreement.  
Letter to Meritain.  
Letter to Magellan.  
Springbuk, Inc. – End-User License Agreement.  
Meritain Health – Authorization to Share Plan Information.  
Meritain Health – Summary of Material Modification and Amendment #7 to the Keith County Employee Benefit Plan Group No. 12315.  
Elected officials.

**New Business**

Executive session – Personnel.  
Executive session – Possible claims against the County.  
Executive session – Computer network.  
Personnel.  
Jeff Stevens – Brule & Paxton contracts.  
10:00 a.m. – Five Nines report.