

May 1, 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 Joan Ervin, Corey Crandall and Dale Schroeder. Commissioner Toney Krajewski was absent. Also attending the meeting were County Clerk Sandra Olson and County Attorney Randy Fair. Ervin moved to approve the agenda, Schroeder seconded the motion. Crandall, Schroeder, Ervin and Anderson voting aye; Krajewski absent; none voting nay; motion carried. Schroeder moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, Crandall seconded the motion. Ervin, Crandall, Schroeder and Anderson voting aye; Krajewski absent; none voting nay; motion carried. Ervin moved to approve the payment of claims, Crandall seconded the motion. Schroeder, Crandall, Ervin and Anderson voting aye; Krajewski absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Salaries - \$243,158.46

General Fund

Cash-Wa, Board for prisoners, janitorial, \$1,209.95; CenturyLink, Service, \$46.89; DAS State Acctg - Central Finance, Lease, \$844.80; Eakes Office Plus, Service agreement, supplies, \$787.01; ES&S, Election set up, \$2,587.59; Hometown Leasing, Lease, \$40.03; Keith County District, Docket fees, \$109.00; Keith County Treasurer, Title, \$15.00; Kent's Towing, Towing, \$200.00; Chris McNeff, Postage, \$11.30; Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center, Training, \$134.00; Nebraska Safety and Fire Equipment, Inspections, \$255.00; Nebraska Weed Control Assoc., Registration, \$150.00; Office Service, Supplies, \$34.61; Quality Farm & Ranch, Air conditioner, supplies, \$1,440.52; Sapp Brothers Inc. - Ogallala, Connections for generator, \$341.99; Serenity Towing, Towing, \$150.00; Western Pathology Consultants, PC, Autopsy, \$1,000.00

Road & Bridge Fund

Ace/Eaton Metals, Culvert bands, \$1,809.00; Consolidated, Service, \$102.14; Cornhusker State Industries, Desk, \$2,971.00; Grant Writing USA, Grant writing seminar, \$495.00; Medical Enterprises, DOT CDL testing, \$105.00

CBSA Health Insurance Claim Fund

KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$16,198.41; KC Clerk/Flex Claims Account, Flex claims, \$673.14; Meritain Health, Administration fees, \$43,997.76

Wireless 911 Services Fund

ATC Communications, Data circuits, \$118.14; Consolidated, Address maintenance, \$36.00; Glenwood, Exchange, tower rent, \$459.30

The Board heard the reports of Highway Superintendent Thomas Wilbur. County Surveyor Ryan Dickinson introduced his new employee Johns Coplund.

County Attorney Randy Fair told the Board that the Meritain Health 2023 07 Keith County Summary Plan Description was okay. Ervin moved to approve this Plan Description and authorize Chairman Lane Anderson to sign, Schroeder seconded the motion. Crandall, Schroeder, Ervin and Anderson voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Keith County Clerk of the District Court Tina DeVoe spoke to the Board about the acceptance of possession of equipment from CTI (Equipment). There were still unanswered questions about this equipment so this item will remain on the agenda under unfinished business. Along with this item was the agenda item of insurance coverage of state owned equipment which will also remain on the agenda under unfinished business.

Zoning Administrator Cody Fenwick with a request by Chad and Jennifer Shoeman for a Final Plat of Shoeman's Minor Subdivision of Old Tract 3, Located in the NW1/4 of Section 20, T.15 N., R.38 W. of the 6th P.M., Keith County, Nebraska. Chad Shoeman spoke to the Board regarding his request. Schroeder moved to approve this final plat based on the information that had been provided today, Crandall seconded the motion. Ervin, Crandall, Schroeder and Anderson voting

aye; Krajewski absent; none voting nay; motion carried. The resolution approving this final plat will be filled in the Resolution Book as number 2024-29.

The Board spoke about employees working as poll workers and wages. After discussion and opinion of County Attorney Randy Fair the Board stated employees can take vacation or comp time off to work as poll workers and will be paid poll worker wages.

Joseph Kempton, Physical Therapist at Banner Health, appeared before the Board to discuss the development of the Ogallala Hospital Outdoor Fitness Project. After his presentation Kempton asked the Board for a twenty five thousand dollar (\$25,000.00) donation from the Keno Fund. Ervin told the Board that this project would fit into keno guidelines. Ervin moved to approve this request and donate twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) to this project out of the Keno Fund, Schroeder seconded the motion. Crandall, Schroeder, Ervin and Anderson voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

The Board gave reports and received correspondence.

Crandall moved to approve the travel request of Noxious Weeds Superintendent Jamie Moore to attend the new Noxious Weeds Superintendent training in McCook May 21st, Schroeder seconded the motion. Ervin, Crandall, Schroeder and Anderson voting aye; Krajewski absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Crandall moved to approve the travel request of Noxious Weeds Superintendent Jamie Moore to attend the Annual Noxious Weeds Conference in Kearney August 6th through August 8th, Schroeder seconded the motion. Ervin, Crandall, Schroeder and Anderson voting aye; Krajewski absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Ervin moved to approve the travel request of Emergency Manager Dave Kling to attend the NAEM Conference in Grand Island April 30th, Crandall seconded the motion. Schroeder, Crandall, Ervin and Anderson voting aye; Krajewski absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Ervin moved to approve the travel request of Highway Superintendent Thomas Wilbur to attend a grant writing seminar in Omaha May 29th through May 31st, Schroeder seconded the motion. Crandall, Schroeder, Ervin and Anderson 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, May 8, 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.

Old Business

Clerk of the District Court Tina DeVoe – CTI (Equipment) – Acceptance of possession of equipment.

Insurance coverage of state owned equipment.

New Business