

May 22, 2024

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

General Fund

Albertsons/Safeway, Prisoner Board, \$145.60; Baltzell Veterinary, Services, \$45.00; Cash-Wa, Supplies, \$1,764.51; Culligan, Water, \$30.00; Correll Refrigeration, Air conditioner, \$4,662.00; Davis Design, Services, \$1,595.00; Eakes, Supplies, \$433.20; Robert S. Harvoy, Services, \$997.30; Jurgens Electric, Services, \$445.00; Keith County District Court, Docket fee, \$72.00; Lindemeier Law Office, Services, \$1,107.22; Martin's Flag Company, Flags, \$901.88; Microfilm Imaging Systems, Scanners, \$212.00; NACT, Registration, \$150.00; Nebraska Statewide Arboretum, Dues, \$150.00; NIRMA, Seminar, \$25.00; NPPD, Service, \$129.61; Office Service, Supplies, \$23.87; Sandy Olson, Mileage, supplies, \$36.78; Rebecca A. Schroeder, Services, \$850.00; Steve's Body and Paint, Towing, \$350.00; Primary 2024 Poll Workers, Poll workers, \$8,995.31

Road & Bridge Fund

NPPD, Service, \$125.63; WEX Bank, Fuel, \$246.09

CBSA Health Insurance Claim Fund

KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$8,193.85

Keno Fund

City of Ogallala, Fireworks, \$6,000.00

Emergency Phone 911 Fund

Consolidated Telecom, Service, \$119.04

The Board heard the reports of Highway Superintendent Thomas Wilbur, Zoning Administrator Cody Fenwick and Head Jailer Travis Poncik.

Poncik told the Board he had ten (10) prisoners in and six (6) prisoners farmed out.

Fair discussed the procedures on county assistance for burials and questioned whether his office could possibly handle the paperwork for this. Ervin said it would have to be looked into as that was not the only portion of assistance that social services handled.

The Board discussed a document concerning Berry Road at Lemoyne. The document showed the road was abandoned and reverted to the County. Fair said there was no legal precedence as this road is a subdivision road. Fair also said that the County did not approve this abandonment and that since it is not a County owned road the County does not have an obligation to maintain it. Ervin moved to deny taking over ownership of Berry Road as it was not properly abandoned and it will remain a public service road, Krajewski seconded the motion. Crandall, Krajewski, Ervin and Schroeder voting aye; Anderson absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Ervin moved to authorize the County Attorney to move forward with a purchasing option termination of land for the justice center, Krajewski seconded the motion. Crandall, Krajewski, Ervin and Schroeder voting aye; Anderson absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Fair left the meeting.

Olson told the Board that she had spoken to Kerri Anderson with Adams Bank & Trust and that Anderson felt that best way to have all county departments with credit cards at Adams Bank receive individual statements was to change the credit card relationship from summary billing to individual billing and to request separate card limits for each card holder. Krajewski moved to authorize Vice Chairperson Schroeder to sign the letter to Adams Bank requesting these changes, Crandall seconded the motion. Ervin, Krajewski, Crandall and Schroeder voting aye; Anderson absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Ervin moved to approve the Final Plat of Sunset Vista Subdivision Lots 1-4 & 6-12 and part of Lot 4 of Buffalo Ridge Replat #2 of Vacated Kits 1-12 of Sunset Vista Subdivision Located in east ½ of Section 7 and the west ½ of Section 8, Township 14 North, Range 38 West as amended and authorize the Vice Chairperson to sign, Crandall seconded the motion. Krajewski, Crandall Ervin and Schroeder voting aye; Anderson absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Ervin moved to adopt the resolution to transfer one hundred forty seven thousand four hundred one dollars (\$147,401.00) from the General Fund (100) to the Ambulance Services Fund (5502), Crandall seconded the motion. Krajewski, Crandall, Ervin and Schroeder voting aye; Anderson absent; none voting nay; motion carried. This resolution will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2023-32.

Zoning Administrator Cody Fenwick appeared before the Board with several Zoning items. The first item was a request by Reckseen, Elliot and Pierce, for a Conditional Use Permit (24-06) for a short term vacation rental, located at LOT 24 REPLAT OF EAGLE BAY TOWNHOUSES (26-15-40), also known as 24 Eagle Bay, Keith County, Nebraska. Rusty Triplette, Christy Hubbard, Eric Watson, Dennis Sparrs and Becky Martins spoke in opposition to this request. Property owner Dave Reckseen spoke in favor of this request. Krajewski moved to reject this Conditional Use Permit based on Article 25, Section 3 which refers to density, Ervin seconded the motion. The resolution denying this CUP will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2023-33. The second item was for a request by Keith County Highway Department Superintendent for a text amendment to the Keith County Subdivision regulations, specific to Article 3, Sections 2-4, removing outdated language/charts regarding roads and replacing with state minimum design standards, as outlined in Nebraska Administrative Code, Title 428, Chapter 2. Crandall, moved to approve this text amendment, Ervin seconded the motion. Krajewski, Ervin, Crandall and Schroeder voting aye; Anderson absent; none voting nay; motion carried. The resolution approving this text amendment will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2024-34. The third item was for an update to Planning Commission By-Laws. Ervin moved to approve this update, Crandall seconded the motion. Krajewski, Crandall, Ervin and Schroeder voting aye; Anderson absent; none voting nay; motion carried. The resolution approving the update will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2024-35. The fourth item was a request by a Roscoe property owner for approval of the Nuisance Removal reimbursement program. Krajewski moved to approve the request, Crandall seconded the motion. Ervin, Crandall, Krajewski and Schroeder voting aye; Anderson absent; none voting nay; motion carried. The resolution approving this request will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2024-36. The Board discussed a written complaint against CUP 23-21 for condition #6 not met (barricade between the subdivisions of Hidden Canyon Estates and the Dunes). Harold Treptow, Phil McBride and Ryan Dickinson all spoke to the Board regarding this matter.

Jeremy Kral, USDA Wildlife Specialist Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service – Wildlife Services presented the Board with a new contract for animal control. The price of the contract increased four percent (4%) which changed the price from fifteen thousand five hundred seventy four dollars (\$15,574.00) to sixteen thousand two hundred twenty one dollars (\$16,221.00). Crandall moved to approve this contract, Ervin seconded the motion. Krajewski, Ervin, Crandall and Schroeder voting aye; Anderson absent; none voting nay; motion carried. The contract will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2024-37.

Keith County Chamber Tourism Director Shawn Rubek updated the Board on last week's Visitors Committee meeting.

Crandall moved to approve the Brule Lions Club Brule Day Promotion Fund grant request in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), Krajewski seconded the motion. Ervin, Krajewski, Crandall and Schroeder voting aye; Anderson absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

Krajewski moved to approve the Keith County Chamber of Commerce Improvement Fund grant request in the amount of two thousand five hundred ninety four dollars and seventy five cents (\$2,594.75), Ervin seconded the motion. Crandall, Ervin, Krajewski and Schroeder voting aye; Anderson absent; none voting nay; motion carried.

The Board gave reports and received correspondence.

The Board discussed meeting dates for June 12th when they would be attending Board Workshop and June 19th which is Juneteenth and the courthouse will be closed. It was decided that the Board will meet June 11th instead of June 12th and that there will no meeting the week of June 19th.

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned. The Board will meet again Wednesday, May 29, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Ogallala.

Dale Schroeder

Vice Chairperson

Sandra K. 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.

New Business

Insurance rates approval.

8:30 a.m. – KCAD Director Mary Wilson – Quarterly KCAD update.