

November 20, 2019

The Keith County Board of Commissioners met for their regular meeting at the Courthouse in Ogallala. Roll call was answered by Chairman Kim Elder and Commissioners Joan Ervin, Corey Crandall, Toney Krajewski and Lane Anderson. Chairman Kim Elder asked those attending to join in a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Elder acknowledged the Open Meeting Act was posted. Also attending the meeting were County Clerk Sandra Olson, County Attorney Randy Fair and the media. Crandall moved to approve the agenda, Ervin seconded the motion. Krajewski, Anderson, Ervin, Crandall and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Ervin moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, Crandall seconded the motion. Anderson, Krajewski, Crandall, Ervin and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Krajewski moved to approve the payment of claims, Ervin seconded the motion. Crandall, Anderson, Ervin, Krajewski and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Salaries - \$163,658.29

General Fund

Black Hills Energy, Service, \$1,248.52; CenturyLink, Circuits, \$114.92; CHS Grainland, Fuel, \$2,171.49; Complete Cleaning Solutions, Carpet cleaning, \$200.00; DAS State Acct - Central Finance, AS 400 Hosting, monthly radio fee, \$382.88; Dawson County Sheriff's Office, Inmate housing, \$7,695.00; Dickinson Land Surveyors, Inc., Updating plat books, \$84.00; Encartele, Inmate phone cards, \$585.00; Robert S. Harvoy, Services, \$275.00; Lori Hill, Office supplies, \$26.48; Rod Hopken, County inspections, \$754.80; Keith County District Court, Docket fees, \$108.00; Keith County Sheriff, Sheriff fees, \$2,306.01; Kenfield Electric, Light repair, \$246.27; Kent's Towing and Repair, Towing, \$325.00; Lexington Regional Health Center, Medical for inmates, \$200.00; Abe Magana, Meals, \$39.59; NE State Fire Marshal/Boiler Division, Boiler certificate, \$75.00; Nordhausen Law, LLC, Attorney fees, \$1,400.00; NPPD, Service, \$172.08; Peterson Machine Shop, Guards around lights, \$1,163.70; Pinnacle Bank, Charges, \$9,207.97; "R" Tire & Alignment, Tires, \$453.38; Schmidt Motors, Dodge caravan, \$21,407.00; Security Transport Services, Inc., Transport prisoner, \$549.45; U-Save Pharmacy, Prescriptions for inmates, \$139.77; Verizon, Service, \$980.83

Road & Bridge Fund

Black Hills Energy, Service, \$512.80; E-Logic, Services, \$110.00; Humphreys, Parts, supplies, oil, \$776.74; Hydrotex, Supplies, \$393.46; John Deere Financial, Supplies, tools, \$1,053.02; Keith County Sheriff, VIN inspection, \$10.00; Keith County Treasurer, Title, \$10.00; NPPD, Service, \$140.11; Paulsen's, Gravel, \$626.98; Pinnacle Bank, Charges, \$33.37; R&D Welding, Supplies, \$7.20; Verizon, Service, \$43.63; WEX Bank, Fuel, \$159.92

CBSA Health Insurance Claim Fund

KC Clerk/Flex Claims Account, Flex claims, \$1,524.46; KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$9,777.20

Veterans Aid Fund

Palmer Monument, Gravestone services, \$375.00

Keno Fund

Garden County News, Tire amnesty ads, \$165.00; Resource Management Company, Tire amnesty, \$31,609.20; Western Resources Group, Recyclables, \$178.00

Emergency Phone 911 Fund

CenturyLink, E911 284 exchange, \$144.45; Consolidated Telecom, E911 308.239, \$119.04

Wireless 911 Services Fund

CenturyLink, E911 exchange, \$758.38

The Board heard the reports of Highway Superintendent Tim Ryan, Clerk of the District Court Tina DeVoe and Communications Director Laurie Hood.

The Board received correspondence and gave reports. The Board received October's fee report from the Treasurer's Office.

Elder said that he would be making phone calls regarding the consideration of a jail consultant this afternoon and to leave it on the agenda under unfinished business.

The Board discussed an HR position. Ervin said her thought was that the Board should begin advertising for the position in December and then appoint in January. The Board agreed with Ervin's thoughts on advertising and appointing. Elder will get an ad for this position ready to be published.

Adam Schmidt with Motorola and Emergency Manager Elizabeth Sillasen spoke to the Board about the Motorola state radio systems contracts. Anderson stated that he was not ready to vote on this and that he wanted to have a road plan in place prior to committing the amount of money this system would cost. Krajewski stated that he was not ready to move on this either as if everything came together for building a new jail the radio systems would possibly be a part of the new jail building. Crandall said he agreed with both Anderson and Krajewski. Elder said would like to finish out the road plan so they will know the complete dollar amount that will be needed to put the system in place. Communications Director Laurie Hood stated she knew the system would be beneficial but would also like to see the road plan. Sillasen said that she wanted it stated for the record that she had researched and gotten the most feasible amount possible for the radio systems, that the Board did not have to wait for a road plan as purchasing this system was the first step of the road plan and that she recommended that the Board begin to take public safety more seriously.

Sillasen also asked how the Board would like her to proceed with the Emergency Manager Deputy. Elder told Sillasen to put together an ad for this position and e-mail it to the Board and County Attorney Randy Fair for approval.

Fair told the Board he did not feel that an executive session for the Keith County lawsuit – Novo Benefits/Cobecon would be needed. Fair told the Board that checks pertaining to the lawsuit had been received. The check for the refund of the balance of the retainer received from Paloucek, Herman & Wurl Law Offices and the checks received from Landmark American Insurance Company and Transeleven Claim Managers, Inc, will be deposited in the Inheritance Tax Fund which was the fund the retainer fee and settlement were paid out of.

Myra Stoney and Kathie Skeen with the Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department gave the Board an annual update.

Fair said he will be talking to the jail regarding jail phone and video calls and then put it back on the agenda.

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned. The Board will meet again Wednesday, November 27, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Ogallala.

_____ Chairman _____ County Clerk
Kim Elder 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 later than estimated.

Unfinished Business

Consideration of jail consultant.

New Business

8:15 a.m. – Ogallala/Keith County Chamber of Commerce Director Karla Scott – Visitors Committee meeting update.

Visitors Committee – Grant request for the City of Ogallala - \$28,000.00.

9:00 a.m. – Zoning Administration for Keith County – Zoning items. 1. Request by Bob Neuhalfen for a final plat of Neuhalfen Replat of Lots 1-4 & 13-15, Block 4, Mako-Ch-Mni Subdivision, located in Section 2, Township 14 and Range 39. 2. Item 1 – Request by Scott Allen for a final plat of Allen Replat of Parcels 1, 2, 4 & 5 of the Replat of Shelburne's Tracts 1A, 1B, 2, 3 & 4 and Lots 1 & 2 of Shelburne's 2nd Replat and part of the W ½ of Section 33, Township 13, Range 39, all located in the W ½ of Section 33, Township 13, Range 39. 3. Item 2 – Request by Scott Allen for a Change of Zone from RR to A Lot 1 Allen Replat of Parcels 1, 2, 4 & 5 of the Replat of Shelburne's Tracts 1A, 1B, 2, 3 & 4 and Lots 1 & 2 of Shelburne's 2nd Replat and part of the W ½ of Section 33, Township 13, Range 39, all located in the @ ½ of the W ½ of Section 33, Township 13 and Range 39.