

June 13, 2017  
Seward County Board of Equalization

State of Nebraska)  
County of Seward) ss.

A regular meeting of the Seward County Board of Equalization was convened in open and public session at 8:30 a.m. on June 13, 2017 in the Commissioner's room at the Seward County Courthouse. Notice of the meeting was posted on the Courthouse bulletin board and on the Commissioner's room door. The agenda for all meetings is kept continually current and is available for public inspection at the County Clerk's Office during normal business hours. The agenda is held open until one business day prior to the meeting for appearance before the Board. The Board of Equalization has the right to modify the agenda to include items of an emergency nature only at such public meeting.

The Seward County Board of Equalization convened on June 13, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.

Present:      Chairperson:      Whitney Fleischman  
                 Members:              John Culver, Eugene Gausman, Diana Garske,  
   Roger E. Glawatz  
                 County Clerk:              Sherry Schweitzer  
                 County Assessor:          Marilyn Hladky

The Chairman noted that the public meeting information is posted as required by law and available for public distribution if requested.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Gausman and seconded by Culver to approve the minutes of May 30, 2017.  
Affirmative Vote: Gausman, Culver, Glawatz, Garske, Fleischman      Motion Carried

Moved by Gausman and seconded by Glawatz to approve Tax List Correction 241-16R.  
Affirmative Vote: Gausman, Glawatz, Garske, Culver, Fleischman      Motion Carried

Hladky then updated the Commissioners on activities of her office.

Known items on the agenda for June 27, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. are as follows:

1.      Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
2.      Pledge of Allegiance
3.      Discuss/Action - Approve Minutes of June 13, 2017
4.      Discuss/Action - Protest hearings
5.      Discuss/Action - Assessor Information Update

Moved by Glawatz and seconded by Gausman to adjourn at 8:45 a.m.  
Affirmative Vote: Glawatz, Gausman, Culver, Garske, Fleischman

State of Nebraska)  
County of Seward) ss.

I, Sherry Schweitzer, the undersigned County Clerk of Seward County, Nebraska do hereby certify the foregoing minutes are true and are part of the official records of this office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

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County Clerk

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Chairman

June 13, 2017  
Seward County Board of Commissioners

State of Nebraska)  
County of Seward) ss.

A regular meeting of the Seward County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on June 13, 2017 in the Commissioner's room at the Seward County Courthouse. Notice of the meeting was posted on the Courthouse bulletin board and on the Commissioner's room door. The agenda for all meetings is kept continually current and is available for public inspection at the County Clerk's Office during normal business hours. The agenda is held open until one business day prior to the meeting for appearance before the Board. The Board of Commissioners has the right to modify the agenda to include items of an emergency nature only at such public meeting.

The Seward County Board of Commissioners convened on June 13, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

Present:	Chairman:	Roger E. Glawatz
	Members:	John Culver, Whitney Fleischman, Eugene Gausman, Diana Garske,
	County Clerk:	Sherry Schweitzer

The Chairman noted that the public meeting information is posted as required by law and available for public distribution if requested.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Garske and seconded by Fleischman to approve the minutes of June 6, 2017.

Affirmative Vote: Garske, Fleischman, Culver, Gausman, Glawatz    Motion Carried

**Commissioners Reports:**

Commissioner Culver reported he visited with the 911 Director, attended the Pleasant Dale Board meeting, and visited several villages in his district on behalf of the Seward/Saline Waste Agency.

Commissioner Fleischman reported she met with Beckenhauer Construction and Goldberg Group Architects (GGA) representatives and did other various Justice Center work.

Commissioner Gausman reported he attended a Four Corners Health Dept. meeting and an Extension Board meeting. He also visited the Highway Supt. and the McKelvie Road Project site.

Commissioner Garske reported she also met with Beckenhauer Construction and GGA representatives and reported on several Justice Center items including ordering a cluster box for mail. She reported she met with Jeanne Wiemer of the Arts Council about art at the Justice Center and with Verle Wiemer about lights on the courthouse.

Commissioner Glawatz reported he represented the County at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Kickoff and attended a Region V meeting.

Moved by Fleischman and seconded by Gausman to open a hearing at 9:15 a.m. to hear comments for a re-zone application from the A-1 District to TA-1 District real

estate located in I Precinct, namely N 1/2 NW 1/4 and the W 1/2 NE 1/4 of Section 13 Township 10 North Range 4 East of the 6th p.m.

Affirmative Vote: Fleischman, Gausman, Culver, Garske, Glawatz Motion Carried

Becky Paulsen, Weed/Zoning Administrator gave information about the Planning and Zoning Board recommendation of denial with a vote of 0 for; 5 against; and 2 absent.

Art Wagner spoke in opposition to said application.

Jim Vogel also spoke in opposition of said application.

Moved by Garske and seconded by Fleischman to close the public hearing at 9:24 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Garske, Fleischman, Culver, Gausman, Glawatz Motion Carried

Moved by Fleischman and seconded by Gausman adopt Resolution No. 3314 to deny the application for a Re-zone per the resolution of the Planning & Zoning Board.

**RESOLUTION NO 3314 OF THE  
SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**WHEREAS**, Brian Rasmussen has applied for a Zoning District change for a quarter section of land from A-1 Agricultural Preservation District to TA-1 Transitional Agriculture, and

**WHEREAS**, The land is described as a tract in the North 1/2 of the North West 1/4, and the West 1/2 of the North East 1/4 of, Precinct I, Section 13, Township 10N, Range 4E, Seward County, Nebraska, and

**WHEREAS**, the owner of record is Brian Rasmussen, and

**WHEREAS**, Notice of Public Hearing by the Seward County Planning Commission was published in the Seward County Independent, the Milford Times, and was posted on the property, and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the Zoning District change on May 15, 2017, and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission had a recommendation to Deny with a vote of 0 in favor, 5 against, and 2 absent and not voting.

**WHEREAS**, The Seward County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on the Zoning Change on June 13, 2017, and

**WHEREAS**, Notice of Public Hearing by the Seward County Board of Commissioners was published in the Seward County Independent, the Milford Times, and was posted on the property, and

**WHEREAS**, \_\_\_No one appeared to oppose said amendment

XX\_Individuals appeared to oppose said amendment

\_\_\_No one appeared to support said amendment

\_\_\_Individuals appeared to support said amendment, and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Seward County Board of

Commissioners do hereby adopt Resolution \_\_\_\_\_ to approve\_\_\_\_\_, deny\_XX\_\_ the Zoning District Change from A-1 to TA-1.

Motion by: Fleischman                      Seconded by: Gausman  
Ayes: Whitney Fleischman, Eugene Gausman, John K. Culver,  
Diana L. Garske, Roger Glawatz, Chairman, Board of Commissioners  
Dated: June 13, 2017 ATTEST: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

Affirmative Vote: Fleischman, Gausman, Culver, Garske, Glawatz Motion Carried

The Commissioners then discussed the deductible for the liability insurance from NIRMA.

Moved by Fleischman and seconded by Gausman to maintain the NIRMA Insurance Liability Deductible at \$500 per incident.

Affirmative Vote: Fleischman, Gausman, Garske, Culver, Glawatz Motion Carried

Carrie Rodriguez, Chief Probation Officer of the 5<sup>th</sup> Judicial District was present to introduce herself and visit about the budget for the Probation Office. She was also informed that final arrangements are being made for the Seward Probation Office to move into the Justice Center. She indicated that after these few items have been corrected at the Justice Center, they could move in.

Moved by Fleischman and seconded by Gausman to accept the Clerk of the District Court Fee Report for May 2017 in the amount of \$7,211.00

Affirmative Vote: Fleischman, Gausman, Garske, Culver, Glawatz Motion Carried

Moved by Garske and seconded by Fleischman to accept the Sheriff Fee and Mileage Report for April 2017 in the amount of \$1,415.00 and \$503.45 respectively.

Affirmative Vote: Garske, Fleischman, Gausman, Culver, Glawatz Motion Carried

Moved by Fleischman and seconded by Gausman to adopt Resolution No. 3315 in regard to appropriating additional money for the County Surveyor budget.

**RESOLUTION # 3315 OF THE  
SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, the budget of the Seward County Surveyor was set at \$7,250.00 for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, necessary expenditures of said office are going to result in the expending over that amount, and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists requiring that said budget be expanded as provided by law, and

WHEREAS, said additional funds to be applied to said budget must be appropriated from a General Fund Budget of Seward County, Nebraska;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the budget of the Seward County Surveyor is increased in the amount of \$ 200.00 for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, resulting in an amended budget of \$ 7,450.00.

AND FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the sum of \$ 200.00 which has been added to the budget of the Seward County Surveyor for the 2016-2017 fiscal year shall be appropriated from the Miscellaneous General Budget.

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

Motion by: Fleischman                      Seconded by: Gausman  
Ayes: Whitney Fleischman, Eugene Gausman, John K. Culver,  
Diana L. Garske, Roger Glawatz, Chairman, Board of Commissioners  
Dated: June 13, 2017    ATTEST: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

Affirmative Vote: Fleischman, Gausman, Culver, Garske, Glawatz Motion Carried

Maria Hatfield, Detention Center Director brought a contract for the Commissioners consideration for inmate phones.

Moved by Fleischman and seconded by Garske to authorize the Chairman to sign the Solution Services Agreement with Encartele.

Affirmative Vote: Fleischman, Garske, Gausman, Culver, Glawatz Motion Carried

Barb Liska, 911 Director was present to discuss her budget, since it needs to be discussed earlier than most because of an Interlocal with the Cities of Seward and Milford. She stated she has money left in her budget that she will put in to a claim to pay back the Inheritance Fund for a portion of the amount of the new radio system. Fleischman asked about the salaries since the Commissioners had recommended up to a 2% for fiscal year 2017-2018. Liska replied that she changed the amount due to the years of service each employee has given. Fleischman stated she felt Liska should stay with the Commissioner's recommendation and Garske agreed. Michaela Tuttle, HR Director said the goal last year was getting everybody up to the minimum and a new salary study will be done next year.

Moved by Fleischman and seconded by Garske to approve the 911 budget with the modification that all salaries do not exceed 2% or 1 step.

Affirmative Vote: Fleischman, Garske, Culver, Gausman, Glawatz Motion Carried

Tuttle then brought the Wage and Compensation Policy for the Boards approval. She stated that the policy was already brought to the Board before, but there was a request to change the time when annual raises are given. Originally the personal board recommended it to happen on the employee's anniversary date. The Commissioners requested to leave the date as in the past which is "Annual Compensation Date." Tuttle said she changed the wording and this is what she has brought forth to the Board.

Moved by Fleischman and seconded by Gausman to approve the Wage and Compensation policy per the recommendation of the Personnel Board.

Affirmative Vote: Fleischman, Gausman, Culver, Garske, Glawatz Motion Carried

During Justice Center Update, discussion about the locks was held.

Dennis Richters, a Seward County Constituent, was in attendance to ask about future plans for the road off of 364<sup>th</sup> going into Central Valley Ag. He asked for copies of the studies for McKelvie Road Project and the Road in question. Georgia Stockley, Highway Supt. was in attendance showed an estimate when it was engineered. Richters stated that the engineering had to take into consideration that most farmers use tractor-trailers. He wants a person of the media to take a ride in the tractor-trailer and see the dangers of the current road. He asks that the road in question be built away from the tracks and has a safe turn. Glawatz suggested Richters meet with the Highway Supt. and 2 Commissioner Liaisons and work on a plan/solution.

Bob Dahms, County Treasurer and Susan Blomenberg, Deputy were in attendance to explain the overtime of a person on his staff. The staff member was .71 over the 90 hour limit of overtime and per the Seward County Policy, the excess needs to be reported to the Board. He explained because of health issues, the employee in question stayed to work and acquired over 90 hours of comp time. Fleischman stated that this is a good reminder of watching an employee's comp time.

Moved by Culver and seconded by Fleischman to go into Executive Session at 10:51 a.m. for Personnel, it being necessary to protect the individual(s).

Affirmative Vote: Culver, Fleischman, Garske, Gausman, Glawatz Motion Carried

The Chairman reiterated that the reason for Executive Session was for Personnel.

Moved by Fleischman and seconded by Gausman to go out of Executive Session at 11:50 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Fleischman, Gausman, Culver, Garske, Glawatz Motion Carried

The Chairman reiterated that the Executive Session was for Personnel and no action was taken.

Motion by Fleischman and seconded by Gausman to adjourn at 11:58 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Fleischman, Gausman, Culver, Garske, Glawatz Motion Carried

Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on June 20, 2017 are as follows:

9:00 a.m.

1. Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discuss/Action - Approve minutes of June 13, 2017

**Other Business Matters to Address When Time Allows**

4. Discuss/Action - Public/Officials/Boards
5. Commissioners Reports
6. Discuss/Action – Expenses for Courthouse Moves
7. Discuss/Action - Justice Center Update

State of Nebraska)

County of Seward) ss.

I, Sherry Schweitzer, the undersigned County Clerk of Seward County, Nebraska do hereby certify the foregoing minutes are true and are part of the official records of this office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this day 20<sup>th</sup> of June 2017.

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County Clerk

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Chairman