

April 7, 2020

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 8:30 a.m. on April 7, 2020 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 April 7, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Chairperson: John Culver
Members: Mike Mundhenke, Bob Vrbka, Ken Schmieding,
Becky Paulsen
County Clerk: Sherry Schweitzer

The Chairperson 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 Paulsen and seconded by Vrbka to approve the minutes of March 31, 2020
Affirmative Vote: Paulsen, Vrbka, Schmieding, Culver
Abstain: Mundhenke as he was not in attendance at said meeting. Motion Carried

Those officials reporting their activities to the Commissioners were: Marilyn Hladky, County Assessor; Ann Dobesh, Extension Office Educator; Jeff Baker, Veteran's Office/Public Transit Director; Terry Wicht, Highway Supt.; Becky Paulsen, Weed/Zoning Administrator; and Sherry Schweitzer, County Clerk.

Jonathan Jank, Executive Director of the Seward County Chamber & Development Partnership, gave information about his organization.

Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Mundhenke had no report.

Commissioner Vrbka reported he has received phone calls and dealt with many correspondences.

Commissioner Culver reported he may be able to have a conference call meeting for one of the organizations he represents for Seward County. He has participated with many conference calls dealing with the coronavirus and dealt with correspondences.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he has been in contact with some organizations via phone.

Commissioner Paulsen reported that most of her meetings have been cancelled.

Chairman Culver led discussion on the coronavirus. He said he has been in contact with Four Corners Health Department. He stated that the Health District has notified him that there is a positive case in Seward County. He said that the closure of the offices should be raised another level. He said that those needing to do business in the courthouse should call first. He would recommend that each office close their door.

Sherry Leising and Bob Dahms were present to thank the Commissioners for the security they are recommending for the county offices. Schweitzer also commented on lowering the risk. Culver asked that everyone be vigilant in this current situation.

The Commissioners discussed the lease for property behind the Weed Dept. building. Eric Hofer, Building and Grounds Supt., said he would like to allow the dumping of grass in that area. Barb Armstead, Deputy County Attorney, said she will look it up again to see if it is permissible. Culver stated he would not recommend leasing again because of sub-letting and it would infringe on the possibility of us using the property for county purposes. Also, there is a liability from the ground being contaminated from the large equipment that was always parked there. Commissioners Schmieding, Vrbka, Mundhenke and Paulsen agreed with Culver. Paulsen suggested making a compost pile if grass clippings are able to be placed there.

Commissioner Paulsen stated the City of Seward Project approached her about a Change Order with the Waverly Road Project that the City and County are working together on.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to approve the Change Order for an Expansion Joint for the Waverly Road Project in the amount of \$8,811.00
Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Schmieding, Mundhenke, Paulsen, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Paulsen and seconded by Vrbka to adopt Resolution No. 3508 in regard to the withdrawal of pledged securities by Jones Bank.

RESOLUTION #3508 OF THE
SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Whereas: The Jones Bank desires to withdraw the following security:

CUSIP	DESCRIPTION	Par VALUE
514025ky0	Lancaster Cnty Sch OB bond	\$200,000.00

Whereas: There will be ample securities to fully cover current County cash accounts & CDs after the above withdrawal.

Therefore, let it be resolved, this County Board approves the above withdrawal of securities by the Jones Bank of Seward.

Dated this 7th day of April 2020.

Moved by: Paulsen Seconded by: Vrbka
Ayes: Becky Paulsen, Bob Vrbka, Ken Schmieding, Mike Mundhenke
John K. Culver, Chair of the Board
Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

Affirmative Vote: Paulsen, Vrbka, Schmieding, Mundhenke, Culver Motion Carried

The Commissioners discussed awarding the bids for the 2 Motor Graders.

Because the funding of the motor graders was in question, the awarding will be on next week's agenda.

Moved by Schmieding and seconded by Vrbka to accept the County Clerk Fee Report for the month of March 2020 in the amount of \$32,898.20.
Affirmative Vote: Schmieding, Vrbka, Paulsen, Mundhenke, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Paulsen and seconded by Vrbka to accept the Sheriff Fee and Mileage Reports for February 2020 in the amount of \$1,818.00 and \$1,108.88 respectively.
Affirmative Vote: Paulsen, Vrbka, Mundhenke, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Known items on the agenda for Board of Equalization on April 14, 2020 are as follows:

8:30 a.m.

1. Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discuss/Action - Approve minutes of March 24, 2020
4. Discuss/Action – Assessor Information Update

Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on April 14, 2020 are as follows:

9:00 a.m.

1. Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discuss/Action - Approve minutes of April 7, 2020
4. Discuss/Action – Claims through the period of April 3, 2020

Other Business Matters to Address When Time Allows

5. Discuss/Action – Public/Officials/Boards
6. Commissioners Reports
7. Discuss/Action – General discussion on coronavirus with Dept. Heads
8. Discuss/Action – Accept Clerk of the District Court Fee Report for March 2020- \$2,229.76
9. Discuss/Action – Agenda for April 21, 2020

9:30 a.m. Discuss/Action - Award the bids for 2 motor graders.

10:00 a.m. Public Hearing – New Liquor License for JUNTO LLC for a Craft Brewery Class L License

Discuss/Action – New Liquor License for JUNTO LLC for a Craft Brewery Class L License

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Mundhenke to adjourn at 10:08 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Mundhenke, Schmieding, Paulsen, Culver Motion Carried

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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 14th day of April 2020.

County Clerk

Chairperson