

# April 12, 2022

## 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 April 12, 2022 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 April 12, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Chairperson: John Culver  
Members: Misty Ahmic, Bob Vrbka, Ken Schmieding, Darrell Zabrocki  
County Clerk: Sherry Schweitzer  
County Assessor: Marilyn Hladky

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 Schmieding and seconded by Vrbka to approve the minutes of March 22, 2022.  
Affirmative Vote: Schmieding, Vrbka, Ahmic, Zabrocki, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Vrbka approve Tax List Correction 359-22R.  
Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Vrbka, Schmieding, Ahmic, Culver Motion Carried

Hladky then updated the Commissioners on activities of her office.

### **Known items on the agenda for Board of Equalization on April 26, 2022 are as follows:**

8:30 a.m.

1. Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discuss/Action - Approve minutes of April 12, 2022
4. Discuss/Action – Assessor Information Update

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki at 8:54 a.m.  
Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Zabrocki, Schmieding, Ahmic, Culver Motion Carried

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 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.

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County Clerk

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Chairperson

# April 12, 2022

## 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 April 12, 2022 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.

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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 Zabrocki and seconded by Ahmic to approve the minutes of April 5, 2022.  
Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Ahmic, Vrbka, Schmieding, Culver          Motion Carried

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Ahmic to approve the claims through April 1, 2022.

### SEWARD COUNTY CLAIMS THROUGH APRIL 1, 2022

ADAMS CO SHERIFF	SE	\$8.50	SEW CO HLTH CLM FND	FE	\$151,642.85
ADVANCED CORR HLTHCR	SE	\$12.80	SEW CO INDEPENDENT	SE	\$1,651.10
ALL COPY PRODUCTS	SU	\$45.93	SEWARD CO ROAD FUND	FE	\$217,801.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERV	SE	\$915.49	SEW CO SHERIFF UNCOLL FEES	FE	\$218.00
AMERITAS LIFE INS	FE	\$18,125.82	SOARIN GROUP, LLC	SE	\$8,977.75
BLUE VALLEY BEHAV HLTH	SE	\$390.00	SPORTS EXPRESS INC	SU	\$134.30
BOBS MOBIL	SU	\$295.40	ST OF NE DAS COMM	SE	\$448.00
BRENNAN, NIELSON LAW	SE	\$4,284.45	SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE	SE	\$5,270.49
CAMPBELL CLEANING	SE	\$4,380.00	TWIN RIVERS HLTH CARE	SE	\$180.00
CHARM-TEX	SU	\$343.26	UNIV OF NEBR-LINCOLN	SE	\$195.00
CITY OF SEWARD	UT	\$5,237.31	US POSTAL SERVICE	SU	\$10,000.00
CLERK OF DIST COURT	SE	\$500.00	VERIZON WIRELESS SERV	UT	\$2,271.02
CONNER PSYCH SERV	SE	\$385.00	WATER ENGINEERING INC	SE	\$210.00
CONTINENTAL SPRINKLER	SE	\$1,188.00	WELLS FARGO FINAN LEAS	FE	\$198.15
CORDANT HLTH SOL	SE	\$107.50	WINDSTREAM	UT	\$1,405.52
CORI J STAVA	SE	\$842.50	WYTHERS LAW	SE	\$5,225.50
JACK DANIEL	SE	\$35.10	KENNETH PANKOKE	SE	\$109.55
E 911	FE	\$30,448.67	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UT	\$1,441.86
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SU	\$1,011.48	BLUE RIVER ELECTRIC	SE	\$2,555.00
ELECTION SYSTEMS	SE	\$3,233.70	CHEMSEARCH	SE	\$468.85
FARMERS COOP	SU	\$509.58	DALE JOHNSON ENT	SU	\$35,635.61
JOHN FILIPPI DDS	SE	\$2,400.00	MIDWEST PETROL EQUIP	EQ	\$1,162.50
GALLS LLC	SE	\$110.00	MIDWEST SERV & SALES	EQ	\$2,843.75
GARCIA CLINICAL LAB	SE	\$10.00	MILLER SEED	SU	\$949.50
HARLAN CO SHERIFF	SE	\$18.50	NE PUBLIC POWER DIST	UT	\$136.97
HEARTLAND TIRES	SU	\$769.72	NEXLINK AIS	UT	\$74.99
HELMINK PRINTING	SU	\$756.71	PAC N SAVE	SU	\$34.55
HERPOLSHEIMERS	SE	\$238.08	RDO TRUCK CENTERS	EQ	\$2,669.98
HOBSON AUTO & TIRE	SE	\$76.00	ROSE EQUIPMENT	EQ	\$2,051.45

HOMETOWN LEASING	SE	\$246.92	SEWARD ELECTRONICS	SE	\$119.60
HUSKER WHEELS & DEALS	SE	\$200.00	VILLAGE OF GARLAND	UT	\$69.02
INDOFF INC	SU	\$142.79	VILLAGE OF UTICA	UT	\$56.36
JONES BANK (FICA)	FE	\$18,291.66	ACCURATE CONTROLS	SE	\$1,856.36
KINER SUPPLY CO	SU	\$2,740.60	KOLTERMAN, CLARK	SE	\$153.00
KONICA MINOLTA PREM FIN	SE	\$131.48	RED PATH GALLERY	SE	\$60.00
LANCASTER CO SHERIFF	SE	\$60.78	SEW CO HISTORICAL SOC	FE	\$100.00
LEVANDERS BODY SHOP	SE	\$65.00	DELTA DENTAL OF NEB	FE	\$29.97
LIFEGUARD MD, INC	SE	\$80.00	VSP INSURANCE CO	FE	\$23.29
STEPHANIE LUEBBE	SE	\$14.04	MILFORD AGING SERV	SE	\$187.60
REBECCA MCKAY	SE	\$46.81	NE ASSN OF SENIOR CENTERS	SE	\$40.00
MCKESSON MED SURG	SU	\$9.78	MOMS MEALS	SE	\$140.99
SUE MEDINGER	SE	\$12.87	SEWARD AGING SERV	SE	\$329.00
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	SE	\$321.20	US POST OFFICE	SU	\$92.80
MID AMER BENEFITS	FE	\$123.25	UTICA AGING SERVICE	SE	\$207.20
MID-AMER INS GRP	FE	\$46,464.79	COAST TO COAST SOL	SE	\$1,322.80
MIPS INC	SE	\$2,268.29	GREAT PLAINS COMM	UT	\$605.00
NE ASSN OF CO OFFICIALS	FE	\$50.00	GREAT PLAINS UNIFORMS	SE	\$565.00
NE ASSOC CO TREASURERS	FE	\$125.00	JONES BANK	SE	\$350.00
NE AUDITOR PUBLIC ACCTS	SE	\$19,996.33	PICKERILL ENTERPRISES	FE	\$1,989.91
NEBRASKA.GOV	SE	\$100.00	NEBR STATE PATROL	SE	\$1,879.50
DALE NIEMANN	SE	\$21.06	US BANK EQUIP FINANCE	FE	\$167.99
ONESOURCE	SE	\$232.00	ACTIVE PARENTING	SE	\$1,264.30
OREILLY AUTOMOTIVE	SU	\$47.36	BUTLER CO SENIOR SERV	SE	\$35.00
ORKIN LLC	SE	\$147.00	J CHAD PROF TRAINING	SE	\$105.00
PAPER TIGER SHRED	SE	\$65.00	MOTIVATE 2 COMMUNICATE	SE	\$150.00
SCOTT PEKAREK	SE	\$2.93	MULTI HEALTH SYSTEMS	SE	\$172.07
PETTY CASH FUND	FE	\$4.50	MIDLANDS CONTRACTING	SE	\$10,150.00
PLANET TECHNOLOGIES	SE	\$264.00	SALARIES		\$264,364.00
POLLACK AND BALL	SE	\$570.00	GROSS SALARIES INCLUDE DEDUCTIONS TO:		
QUADIENT LEASING	FE	\$81.98	COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE		
REGION V SYSTEMS	FE	\$10,239.25	MID AMERICAN CO WISCONSIN		
BRENT SCHLUCKEBIER	SE	\$4.68	DELTA DENTAL		
SECRETARY OF STATE	SU	\$20.00	VSP VISION		
SEWARD COUNTY COURT	SE	\$826.00	WADDELL & REED		

Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Ahmic, Schmieding, Vrbka, Culver Motion Carried

Gary Petersen, Seward/York Emergency Director, and Sheriff Mike Vance updated the Commissioners on activities of their offices.

### **Commissioners Reports:**

Commissioner Ahmic met with Matt Starkey, Bob Dahms, Sherry Leising and Sherry Schweitzer about grant reporting for Public Transit, spoke with Cordova representatives about their American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) project, worked with the Deputy County Attorney about Norris agreement and went with the Weed/Zoning Director to a training.

Commissioner Vrbka reported he has been working on road issues involving signs.

Commissioner Culver reported he worked on various emails and looked into Blue Valley Community Action questions.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he attended the Region V meeting and the Visitors Committee meeting.

Commissioner Zabrocki reported he went to the Goehner Village Board meeting, Seward City Council meeting, Seward City Planning Commission meeting, attended the NIRMA round table seminar via Zoom, visited with ALLO representatives, and had a 911 meeting with the 911 Director. He also said he received a complaint about roads.

Carol Albrecht, representing the vendors of the Farmers Market, was present to request use of the Courthouse lawn for the Farmers Market on Saturdays and Wednesdays for May 18 through October 29, 2022. She said she has looked into insurance for the various vendors and said the cost would prohibit some vendors from coming.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to approve the Farmers Market using the Courthouse lawn Wednesdays and Saturdays for May 18 through October 29, 2022.  
Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Schmieding, Zabrocki, Ahmic, Culver Motion Carried

Carina Sanchez, HR Director, and Roxanne Knutson, HR Assistant Director, were present to request approval for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Wage Increases. They provided information and went through the data. After a short discussion, it was decided that the Commissioners would need to study the information and will discuss it at next week's meeting.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to adopt resolution No. 3678 in regard to allowing Jones Bank to withdraw pledged securities.

RESOLUTION No. 3678 of the  
Seward County Board of Commissioners

WHEREAS, the Jones Bank desires to withdraw the following security:

DESCRIP	CUSIP#	MARKET VALUE
BELLVUE NE. OB	0792124K9	\$200,000.00
TOTAL RELEASED		\$200,000.00

WHEREAS: County deposits would still be fully insured. Therefore, let it be resolved, the above withdrawal by the Jones Bank is approved by this County Board.

Moved by: Vrbka Seconded by: Zabrocki 04/12/2022  
Ayes: Darrell J. Zabrocki, Robert Vrbka, Misty Ahmic, Ken Schmieding,  
John K. Culver, Chair of the Board  
Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Zabrocki, Ahmic, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Vrbka to adopt resolution No. 3679 in regard to allowing Cattle Bank and Trust to pledge additional securities.

RESOLUTION No. 3679 of the  
Seward County Board of Commissioners

WHEREAS, The CATTLE BANK & TRUST desires to pledge the following security:

DESCRIP	CUSIP#	MARKET VALUE
GNMA POOL MA6840	36179VS50	\$537,072.75
TOTAL PLEDGED		\$537,072.75

WHEREAS: The county funds need to be protected at all times. Therefore, let it be resolved, the above pledging is approved by this County Board.

Moved by: Zabrocki Seconded by: Vrbka 04/12/2022  
Ayes: Darrell J. Zabrocki, Robert Vrbka, Misty Ahmic, Ken Schmieding,  
John K. Culver, Chair of the Board  
Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Vrbka, Ahmic, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Ahmic and seconded by Zabrocki to authorize the Chairman to sign the Surplus Property Disposal Request for the Courthouse Postage Machine.

Affirmative Vote: Ahmic, Zabrocki, Vrbka, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Schmieding and seconded by Ahmic to accept the County Clerk's Fee Report for March 2022 in the amount of \$39,916.61

Affirmative Vote: Schmieding, Ahmic, Vrbka, Zabrocki, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Ahmic to accept the Clerk of the District Court Fee Report for March 2022 in the amount of \$5,677.16.

Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Ahmic, Vrbka, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement with TKE Elevator Corp. for the Courthouse and Detention Center elevators.

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Zabrocki, Schmieding, Ahmic, Culver Motion Carried

The Commissioners discussed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOU) with the Nebraska Public Power District. The MOU is stating that Seward County, along with five other counties, would explore potential funding for broadband infrastructure. Barb Armstead, Deputy County Attorney, gave information on parts of the MOU agreement.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Schmieding to authorize the Chairman to sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOU) with the Nebraska Public Power District for Broadband Infrastructure Development.

Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Schmieding, Ahmic, Vrbka, Culver Motion Carried

During discussion of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, Culver reported he reminded the Village of Bee about available County ARPA funds. Ahmic reported she and Schweitzer are meeting with the Lutz CPA about reports for ARPA. She stated the Village of Cordova has reported the project for which they were awarded funds will cost more than anticipated. They are requesting additional funding from the County to help with the additional cost. It was suggested that Cordova come back to the Commissioners and ask for the additional funds. They will be asked to appear before the Board next week. Discussion was held if another application needs to be completed. Zabrocki stated that he had also mentioned to the Village Board of Goehner about County ARPA Funds available.

**Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on April 19, 2022 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 12, 2022

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

4. Discuss/Action – Public/Officials/Boards
5. Commissioners Reports
6. Discuss/Action – Disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds
7. Discuss/Action – Agenda for April 26, 2022

9:15 a.m. Discuss/Action – Village of Cordova Representative-Request for ARPA Funding

9:30 a.m. Discuss/Action – Request approval for FY 2022-2023 Wage Increases

Moved by Zabrocki and Vrbka to adjourn at 10:01 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Vrbka, Schmieding, Ahmic, Culver Motion Carried

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 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.

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County Clerk

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Chairman