

August 6, 2024

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 August 6, 2024 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 August 6, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Chairperson: Misty Ahmic

Members: Raegan Hain, John Culver, Ken Schmieding, Darrell Zabrocki

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.

Jacob Jennings with the Seward County Chamber & Development Partnership (SCCDP) gave an update of the organization's events.

Jon Renier, Highway Supt. and Heidi Fleishman, Road Dept. Office Manager updated the Commissioners about activities of their office.

Marilyn Hladky, Assessor updated the Commissioners on activities of her office.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Hain to approve the consent agenda consisting of:

- a. Minutes of July 30, 2024
- b. Clerk of the District Court Fee Report for July 2024 in the amount of \$3,392.27
- c. County Clerk Fee Report for July 24, 2024 in the amount of \$44,154.03

Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Hain, Schmieding, Culver, Ahmic

Motion Carried

Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Hain reported more funds were received from the Opioid disbursements, set up the next meeting for completing the Juvenile Justice Plan, met with HR Director, met with the Highway Supt. and a General Excavating representative about road services and general road activities, met with Village of Utica representatives in regard to sidewalks, worked on Opioid funds paperwork, received confirmation about a venue reservation for the postcard hearing.

Commissioner Culver reported he attended the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Board meeting. He will attend Village Board meetings this week.

Commissioner Ahmic reported she met with Commissioner Zabrocki about the budget, participated in a zoom with Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) and others about legislation, met with the Well Drillers Assn. about a water, met with Public Transit officials.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he met with the Extension Office about the 4-H Clubs who volunteer to help with an abandoned cemetery, received calls from constituents about county roads. He will help with a booth at the fair for the Visitors Committee.

Commissioner Zabrocki reported he attended a Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association (NIRMA) committee meeting and also an educational zoom for them, a BRIDGE's meeting, met with the Building & Grounds Supt., had a small budget meeting with Commissioner Ahmic and will attend the Seward City Council meeting this evening.

The Commissioners recessed at 9:03 a.m.
The Commissioners re-convened at 9:05 a.m.

Greg Majerus, President of the Seward County Housing Corporation was present to request use of the courthouse for a time.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Schmieding to approve the request for the Seward County Corporation in partnership with SouthEast Nebraska Development District (SEND) to use the courthouse for 1 hour on August 14, 2024 from 1-2 PM.
Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Schmieding, Hain, Culver, Ahmic Motion Carried

The Commissioners discussed increasing insurance for the Courthouse for historic reproduction costs for the County Courthouse. The county's insurance company, Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association (NIRMA) is appraising all buildings the county owns and has offered a special insurance for the historic courthouse. After hearing pros and cons if a disaster did damage the courthouse, costs to appraise it and insure it, decline the extra coverage for historic reproduction costs.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Hain to open the public hearing at 9:25 a.m. for a Conditional Use Permit to construct a 6-hole Golf Course in the NW /4 of Section 4 Township 9 North, Range 3 East of the 6th p.m.
Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Hain, Culver, Schmieding, Ahmic Motion Carried

Marissa Pfile, Zoning Administrator gave information about the subject and the decision of the Planning Commission.

No one appeared at said hearing.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Hain to close the public hearing at 9:27 a.m.
Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Hain, Schmieding, Culver, Ahmic Motion Carried

The Commissioners completed a Findings of Fact document for the request.

Moved by Hain and seconded by Zabrocki to adopt Resolution No. 3814 in regard to approving a Conditional Use Permit to construct a 6-hole Golf Course in the NW /4 of Section 4 Township 9 North, Range 3 East of the 6th p.m.

**RESOLUTION NO 3814 OF THE
SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, Perfect Building Solutions has applied for a Conditional Use Permit to operate a 6-hole private golf course, and

WHEREAS, The property is described as part of the NW1/4, of Section 4, Township 9N, Range 3E, Seward County, Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission held a public hearing to consider the application at a regular meeting July 15, 2024, and

WHEREAS, Notice of the public hearing was published in the Seward County Independent, the Milford Times and posted on the property, and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission recommended Approval of the Conditional Use Permit, with a vote of 7 In Favor, 0 Against, and 1 Absent and Not Voting, and

WHEREAS, The Seward County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing to consider the application at a regular meeting August 6, 2024, and

WHEREAS, Notice of the public hearing was published in the Seward County Independent, the Milford Times and posted on the property, and

WHEREAS, ___ No one appeared to oppose said Conditional Use

___ 0 Individuals appeared to oppose said Conditional Use

___ No one appeared to support said Conditional Use

___ 0 Individuals appeared to support said Conditional Use,

___ Individuals appeared without commitment, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Seward County Board of Commissioners do hereby approve X or ___ deny the Conditional Use Permit for Perfect Building Solutions LLC to operate a 6-hole private golf course C-2 District, on a tract of ground located in part of the NW1/4, of Section 4, Township 9N, Range 3E, Seward County, Nebraska.

Moved by: Hain Seconded by: Zabrocki August 6, 2024
Ayes: Darrell J. Zabrocki, Ken Schmieding, Raegan Hain, John K. Culver, Misty Ahmic, Chair of the Board
Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF SEWARD COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF CONDITIONAL USE

REQUESTED USE: 6-hole golf course

APPLICANT: Perfect Building Solutions Inc.

CURRENTLY ZONED: C-2

This matter came before the Board of Commissioners at the request of the applicant. A public hearing was held on the 6 day of August 2024. Notice of said hearing was publicized on the July day of 24, 2024.

The Board of Commissioners recommend to:

X Approve the Conditional Use Permit

___ Deny the Conditional Use Permit

With a roll call vote of: 5 For 0 Against 0 Absent Not Voting

Upon review of all necessary facts, the Seward County Board of Commissioners makes the following findings:

1. YES The use, in all other respects, conforms to the applicable regulations of the district in which it is located (unless specifically authorized by the Board).
2. YES The use will have adequate water and sewer facilities.
3. YES The use will be in harmony with the character of the area and the most appropriate use of the land
4. YES The establishment, maintenance, or operation of the conditional use will not be detrimental to or endanger the public health, safety, moral, comfort, or general welfare of the county.
5. YES The conditional use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the

purpose already permitted, not substantially diminish and impair property values within the neighborhood.

6. YES The establishment of conditional use will not impede the normal and orderly development of the surrounding property for uses permitted in the district.
7. YES Adequate utilities, access roads, and drainage facilities have been or are being provided.
8. YES That adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide ingress and egress so designed as to minimize traffic congestion in the public streets.
9. YES The use does not include noise, which is objectionable due to volume, frequency, or beat unless muffled or otherwise controlled.
10. YES The use does not involve any pollution of the air by fly-ash, dust, vapors, or other substance which is harmful to health, animals, vegetation, or other property or which can cause soiling, discomfort, or irritation.
11. YES The use does not involve any malodorous gas or matter, which is discernible on any adjoining lot or property.
12. YES The use does not involve any direct or reflected glare, which is visible from any adjoining property or from any public street, road, or highway.
13. YES The use does not involve any activity substantially increasing the movement of traffic on public streets unless procedures are instituted to limit traffic hazards and congestion.
14. YES The use does not involve any activity substantially increasing the burden on any public utilities or facilities unless provisions are made for any necessary adjustments.

Further, the Board of Commissioners recommends the following specific conditions that are necessary or desirable to address the most appropriate use of the land, the conservation and stabilization of the value of the property, the provision of adequate open space for light and air, concentration of populations, congestion of public streets, and the promotion of the general health, safety, welfare, convenience, and comfort of the public:

Dated this 6 day of August 2024

John K. Culver, Raegan Hain, Darrell J. Zabrocki, Ken Schmieding, Misty Ahmic, Board Chair

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

Moved by Hain and seconded by Culver to open the public hearing at 9:41 a.m. for the adoption of a Carbon Dioxide District in the Seward County Zoning Regulations.

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

Pfile gave information about the subject and the decision of the Planning Commission.

No one appeared at the public hearing.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Hain to close the public hearing at 9:44 a.m.

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

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Hain to adopt Resolution No. 3815 in regard to the adoption of a Carbon Dioxide District in the Seward County Zoning Regulations.

**Resolution # 3815 of the
Seward County Board of Commissioners**

WHEREAS, the Seward County Board of Commissioners adopted the current Seward County Zoning Regulations ("Regulations") on June 26, 2007 by way of Resolution 2567;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 11.01 of the Regulations, the Board is authorized to make amendments to the Regulations upon motion of the Planning Commission and after public hearing;

WHEREAS, on July 15, 2024, the Seward County Planning Commission held a public hearing on a proposed amendment to add a Carbon Dioxide Overlay District to the Seward County Zoning Regulations. After the close of the public hearing, the Seward County Planning Commission made and passed a motion to recommend the Carbon Dioxide Overlay. The recommended changes are reflected Exhibit "A", which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference;

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission voted 7 – 0, with 1 absent and not voting, to recommend approval of the amendments reflected in Exhibit "A";

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2024 the Board, after publication of notice and public hearing, voted to approve the amendment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board, that the Seward County Zoning Regulations are amended as described herein.

Dated this 6th day of August 2024.

**Exhibit "A" attached to Original Resolution.

Moved by: Zabrocki Seconded by: Hain

Ayes: Ken Schmieding, Darrell J. Zabrocki, Raegan Hain, John K. Culver,
Misty Ahmic, Chair of the Board of Commissioners

Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Hain, Schmieding, Ahmic

Voting No: Culver

Motion Carried

The Commissioners then discussed the establishment of 5 private drives for 911 addresses. Previously, residences that use 1 lane to get into both residences have used a Unit number. Owners have given permission to change their addresses. Commissioner Ahmic gave information on the prior work of addresses that can be changed. Pfile gave information that the individual owners have been contacted and have requested the address names.

Moved by Hain and seconded by Zabrocki to establish private drives changes in the following areas: Willow Drive south of McKelvie Road between 154th and 182nd Road; Hackberry Drive south of Alvo Road between 182nd and 168th Road; Birch Drive which is south of Denton Road between 224th and 238th Road; Peach Drive which is North of A Street Road between 154th and 168th Road; and Shagbark Drive which is South of A Street Road between 224th and 239th Road.

Affirmative Vote: Hain, Zabrocki, Culver, Schmieding, Ahmic

Motion Carried

Pfile then stated she has gone through files in her office, since she just started the job as Zoning Administrator recently and has questions of renewing permits for the board. Permits are effective for one year and she has seen where a permit has been issued and then renewed for many years. They believe, in some instances, permits are being purchased to hold density, since there is a housing density limit on quarter sections of land. There are also requirements that progress needs to be shown on the permit. After discussion, there is nothing in the regulations that can keep someone from

renewing a permit but suggested that Pfile develop some guidelines and present them to the Commissioners on this subject.

Brandon Noordhoek, Detention Center Director, along with Sheriff Vance was present to ask the Commissioners approve an upgrade in PREA/Corporal job description to a Programs Sargeant. Last week, he was at the meeting asking for the same change but thought it would benefit all to give more information about the change in duties from the previous job description. Discussion was held about the extra duties the job description entails.

SEWARD COUNTY JOB DESCRIPTION

Position: Programs Coordinator Sergeant
Last Revised: 2024
Job Status: Non-exempt; Full-time
Reports to: Detention Center Director
Supervisory Responsibilities: Yes

I. GENERAL FUNCTIONS

This is highly responsible work in developing, implementing, and overseeing the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) standards, House Arrest, and Work Release, as well as Programming for incarcerated individuals and contributing to the promotion of public safety and community well-being.

This position functions as a compliance analyst responsible for facility audit preparation, compliance, and training about PREA. Oversight includes: PREA policy management; manages federal audits; facility compliance site visits; administration and criminal investigation reviews; offender allegation reporting; data analysis; grant and contract management; and mandatory PREA training. Work involves researching, developing, and implementing house arrest policies and procedures, program eligibility, client contracts, monitoring compliance, and responding to after-hour program issues or house arrest.

This position will develop, initiate, teach, and oversee the implementation of various inmate programs. They will develop and maintain schedules for programs and activities and ensure they do not conflict with other institutional operations. This position will work with inmates to assess their needs, interests, and eligibility for various programs and identify gaps and needs in existing programs. The role of the Programs Coordinator Sergeant is pivotal in ensuring that correctional programs run smoothly and effectively and contributing to the overall goal of inmate rehabilitation and successful reintegration into society. Conduct, review, and Supervise Classifications for inmates and staff as it plays a crucial role in providing and promoting the safety and well-being of inmates

II. ESSENTIAL DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist in maintaining a safe, secure jail facility and upholding the established rules and regulations to ensure compliance with local, State, and Federal statutes and procedures about the preservation of the rights and safety of inmates and corrections personnel.
- Assist in conducting periodic checks and inspections of the facility and assigned areas of security, accountability of inmates, and records, operate master control, and any other essential duties of a Corrections Officer.
- Collaborate and implement evidence-based re-entry programs and services within the jail facility. This may include educational programs, vocational training, substance abuse treatment, mental health services, life skills training, and job placement assistance.
- Conduct assessments of inmates' needs and risk factors to develop personalized re-entry plans. Provide ongoing case management and support to help inmates navigate the challenges of reintegration, including accessing housing, employment, healthcare, and social services.
- Offer counseling, mentoring, and guidance to inmates to address behavioral issues, develop coping skills, and promote positive decision-making. Provide emotional support and encouragement to help individuals maintain motivation and focus on their re-entry goals.

- Provide training and educational workshops for inmates.
- Manage the house arrest program and screen potential inmates for eligibility and enroll in the program.
- Conduct home/work visits and drug screenings to ensure compliance
- Create and routinely review policies and procedures for all 52 standards and their subsections.
- Create and maintain contracts with any agency that contracts for the confinement of inmates.
- Annually assist in the review of the facility staffing plan and the facility's development of video monitoring systems.
- Train staff on PREA requirements, preserving the crime scene, and cross-gender pat searches.
- Investigate allegations of sexual abuse.
- Train all volunteers, contractors, and medical staff on their responsibilities to report PREA allegations and how to handle situations.
- Train inmates on how to report sexual harassment and abuse, review the PREA policy, and their responsibilities to reports.
- Screen inmates during the intake process to determine their risk factor of being a sexual abuse victim or abuser, and within 30 days reassess.
- Prepare, conduct, and pass audits that are required by the standards.
- Supervise any PREA compliance managers who may be assigned to help with duties.
- Make case-by-case decisions referring to the housing of any transgender, intersex, gay, lesbian, or other sexually identified individuals.
- Conduct intake interviews and assessments to gather information about new inmates, including their criminal history, behavioral patterns, and potential security risks.
- Assign inmates to appropriate housing units or facilities based on factors such as age, gender, criminal history, gang affiliations, behavioral issues, and mental health status.
- Work closely with other jail staff, including correctional officers, counselors, medical personnel, and administrators, to coordinate efforts and address any issues related to inmate classification and management.
- Maintaining accurate records of inmate assessments, classifications, and any incidents or disciplinary actions taken, ensuring compliance with legal and regulatory requirements.
- Receive specialized training on sexual abuse investigations in confinement settings.
- Prepare, conduct, and pass audits that are required by the standards.
- Review all forms, screenings, reports, and interviews that are pertinent to PREA compliance.
- Keep records on all screenings, reports, interviews, and video footage that is pertinent to PREA compliance.
- Conduct drug screenings.
- Screen inmates for eligibility; enroll inmates in the program.
- Prepares, transcribes, or completes various forms, reports, correspondence, logs, or other documents.

III. OTHER NON-ESSENTIAL DUTIES

- Other duties as assigned.

IV. REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES

- Ability to maintain strict confidentiality and professional/ethical standards.
- Knowledge and experience working with Microsoft Office Software.
- Ability to prepare clear, written reports; ability to maintain complex and difficult clerical and statistical records and to prepare detailed reports for such records.
- Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.
- Ability to maintain high level of accuracy.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with county officials, judges, court officials, attorneys, outside agencies, law enforcement personnel and the general public.

V. DESIRABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

- Bachelors/Associates degree in criminal justice, human services, or related fields or the equivalent training and experience related to these fields.
- Experience with PREA (Prison Rape Elimination Act) programming and/or other programming initiatives for incarcerated individuals.

VI. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- College coursework in criminal justice, human services, or related fields.
- Must be jail-certified in the State of Nebraska within the first 12 months of hire.
- Must be at least 19 years of age or older.
- Must have a high school diploma or GED.
- Must have valid Driver's License.
- Must be able to legally perform work in the United States.
- Must be fingerprinted at the time of employment and the fingerprints cards promptly submitted to the Nebraska State Patrol for a criminal history search: must not have had any convictions punishable by imprisonment in a federal or state penitentiary for one year or more unless pardon received.

VII. NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- Must be able to pass a written exam, background check, drug and alcohol screen, polygraph exam, and psychological assessment.
- Must pass a local and national level security clearance review.
- Must complete and pass or have current certifications in defensive tactics, CPR and first aid training.
- Must maintain a personal phone.

VIII. WORKING CONDITIONS & PHYSICAL EFFORT

- Potential volatile situations among inmates.
- Outside weather conditions.
- Possible physical exposure to communicable diseases and hazardous substances.
- Requires ability to stand and sit for long periods of time.
- Requires moving from place to place within an office, occasionally stand, walk, reach with hands and arms, climb or balance, and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl, and reach for items above and below desk level.
- Operate Detention Center vehicles.

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions.

IX. OTHER

Please note this job description is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive listing of activities, duties or responsibilities that are required of the employee for this job. Duties, responsibilities and activities may change at any time with or without notice.

Moved by Culver and seconded by Hain to approve to upgrade the PREA/Programs Corporal title to Programs Sergeant.

Affirmative Vote: Culver, Hain, Ahmic

Voting No: Zabrocki, Schmieding

Motion Carried

The Commissioners then talked to Noordhoek about the Jail budget.

Moved by Hain and seconded by Culver to adopt Resolution No. 4816 in regard to authorizing the Chairman sign the Annual Certification Compliance for NE Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards.

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RESOLUTION

SIGNING OF THE COUNTY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE 2024

Resolution No. 3816

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2510(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and standards; and

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification of program compliance by each county shall be signed by the County Board Chairperson and shall include the resolution of the governing body of the county authorizing the signing of the certification.

Be it resolved that the County Board Chairperson of Seward County is hereby authorized to sign the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance.

Adopted this 6th day of August, 2024 at Seward Nebraska.

County Board Members

Darrell J. Zabrocki, Raegan Hain, John K. Culver, Ken Schmieding,
Misty Ahmic, Chair of the Board

County Board Member Hain

Moved the adoption of said resolution

Member Culver seconded the Motion

Roll Call: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstained 0 Absent

Resolution adopted, signed, and billed as adopted.

Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, County Clerk

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COUNTY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE TO NEBRASKA BOARD OF PUBLIC ROADS CLASSIFICATIONS AND STANDARDS 2024

In compliance with the provisions of the State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2510(2), requiring annual certification of program compliance to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, the County of Seward hereby certifies that it:

- ✓ Has developed, adopted, and included in its public records the plans, programs, or standards required by sections 39-2115 and 39-2119;
- ✓ Meets the plans, programs, or standards of design, construction, and maintenance for its highways, roads, or streets;
- ✓ Expends all tax revenue for highway, road, or street purposes in accordance with approved plans, programs, or standards, including county and municipal tax revenue as well as highway-user revenue allocations;

- ✓ Uses a system of revenue and costs accounting which clearly includes a comparison of receipts and expenditures for approved budgets, plans, programs, and standards;
- ✓ Uses a system of budgeting which reflects uses and sources of funds in terms of plans, programs, or standards and accomplishments;
- ✓ Uses an accounting system including an inventory of machinery, equipment, and supplies;
- ✓ Uses an accounting system that tracks equipment operation costs;
- ✓ Has included in its public records the information required under subsection (2) of section 39-2510; and
- ✓ **Has included in its public records a copy of this certification and the resolution of the governing body authorizing the signing of this certification by the County Board Chairperson.**

Misty Ahmic, County Board Chairperson 08/06/2024

Jon Regnier, County Highway Superintendent 08/06/2024

Return the completed original signing resolution and annual certification of program compliance by October 31, 2024 to:

Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards
PO Box 94759, Lincoln NE 68509

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

The Board continued budget discussion with Vance about the Sheriff's Office budget.

Commissioner Hain led discussion on considering participating as a political subdivision in the Kroger Opioid Settlement.

Moved to Hain and seconded by Schmieding to have Seward County participate as a political subdivision in the Kroger Opioid Settlement.

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

In regard to the grant funds item on the agenda, Ahmic updated everyone about recent grant deadlines and paperwork that will need to be completed. Commissioner Hain stated information about having the grant writer position that Seward County has discussed previously. She suggested contracting with somebody for one year. Ahmic also gave information from Nebraska Dept. of Transportation (NDOT) about a new portal they are implementing to assist with grants, but that it does not replace grant writing.

The Commissioners recessed at 11:55 a.m.

The Commissioners re-convened at 11:58 a.m.

The Commissioners discussed the Miscellaneous District Levy Requests. Miscellaneous Districts in Seward County, as defined in the statutes, are the Seward County Fire District, Seward County Ag Society, Pleasant Dale Cemetery and J Precinct Cemetery Assn. These levy requests, also according to law, need to be submitted to the County Board for their approval. They decided to have the Ag Society and the Fire District come talk to the Board and give information about their request.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Schmieding to approve the 1% increase on restricted funds for the 2024-2025 budget.

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

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Hain to go into Executive Session at 12:25 p.m. for personnel, it being necessary for the protection of the individual(s).

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

The Chairman stated the Executive Session was for personnel.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Culver to go out of Executive Session at 12:50 p.m.
Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Culver, Schmieding, Hain, Ahmic Motion Carried

The Chair stated personnel was discussed and no decisions were made.

Known items on the agenda for Board of Equalization on August 13, 2024 are as follows:

8:30 a.m.

1. Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discuss/Action - Approve minutes of July 23, 2024
4. Discuss/Action – Tax List Correction 436-23R – John Troyer
5. Discuss/Action – Assessor Information Update

Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on August 13, 2024 are as follows:

9:00 a.m.

6. Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
7. Pledge of Allegiance
8. Discuss/Action - Approve minutes of August 6, 2024
9. Discuss/Action – Claims through the period August 2, 2024

Other Business Matters to Address When Time Allows

10. Discuss/Action - Public/Organizations/Officials
11. Commissioners Reports
12. Discuss/Action – Proposal for National Environmental Policy Act Review of 420th Road Project
13. Discuss/Action – Disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to be used for a Grant Writer
14. Discuss/Action – Grant Funds being Sought by Seward County
15. Discuss/Action – Budget Discussion for the 2024-2025 Budget
16. Discuss/Action – Agenda for August 20, 2024

Moved by Hain and seconded by Zabrocki to adjourn at 12:52 P.M.

Affirmative Vote: Hain, Zabrocki, Schmieding, Culver, Ahmic 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 13th day of August 2024.

County Clerk

Chairperson