

# August 11, 2020

## 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 August 11, 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 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 August 11, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Chairperson: John Culver  
Members: Mike Mundhenke, Bob Vrbka, Ken Schmieding, Becky Paulsen  
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 Vrbka and seconded by Mundhenke to approve the minutes of July 28, 2020.  
Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Mundhenke, Paulsen, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Hladky updated the Commissioners on activities of her office.

### **Known items on the agenda for Board of Equalization on August 25, 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 August 11, 2020
4. Discuss/Action – Assessor Information Update

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to adjourn at 8:50 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Schmieding, Paulsen, Mundhenke, 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 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 2020.

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County Clerk

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Chairperson

# August 11, 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 9:00 a.m. on August 11, 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 August 11, 2020 at 9:00 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 Vrbka and seconded by Mundhenke to approve the minutes of August 4, 2020.

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Mundhenke, Paulsen, Culver

Abstain: Schmieding as he was not in attendance at said meeting. Motion Carried

Those officials present during public/officials/boards time on the agenda were Andrew Matney, Sherry Schweitzer and Becky Paulsen.

Gary Petersen, Seward/York Emergency Manager, was present for the Nixle Agreements item on the agenda. He reported that he had learned that there was an addendum that could be attached to the contract, and after consulting with Barb Armstead, Deputy County Attorney, it was decided to address the contracts at a later time.

### **Commissioners Reports:**

Commissioner Mundhenke reported he checked roads.

Commissioner Vrbka reported he looked into the Grover road drainage issue and also another concern about ditches.

Commissioner Culver reported he worked on some constituent complaints, various correspondences and attended Seward Police Chief Baldwin's retirement reception.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he checked on a road project on the edge of Seward, attended the County Fair and followed up on various correspondences.

Commissioner Paulsen reported she looked into a road situation dealing with right of way and attended training most of the week.

Zane Francescato representing the Seward County Chamber & Development Partnership was present to discuss the data from the recently completed Seward County Housing Study and Information to address the projected housing needs.

Moved by Paulsen and seconded by Schmieding to authorize the Chairman to sign the Interlocal with the City of Lincoln for Aging Services Support.  
Affirmative Vote: Paulsen, Schmieding, Vrbka, Mundhenke, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Mundhenke to authorize the Chairman to sign the Sub Award with the City of Lincoln for Aging Services Support.  
Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Mundhenke, Paulsen, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Schmieding and seconded by Vrbka to accept the Clerk of the District Court Fee Report for July 2020 in the amount of \$6,123.89.  
Affirmative Vote: Schmieding, Vrbka, Mundhenke, Paulsen, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Paulsen and seconded by Vrbka to accept the County Clerk Fee Report for July 2020 in the amount of \$42,503.88.  
Affirmative Vote: Paulsen, Vrbka, Mundhenke, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to adopt Resolution No. 3529 in regard to allowing Jones National Bank to withdraw pledged securities.

Resolution No. 3529 of the  
Seward County Board of Commissioners

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

DESCRIP	CUSIP#	MARKET VALUE
FRANKLIN	353127BU6	225,000.00
BUFFALO	119466CX6	400,000.00
BELLUVE	0792122J4	225,000.00

TOTAL MARKET VALUE 850,000.00

Whereas: County will still be fully protected. Therefore, let it be resolved, the above withdrawal by the Jones Bank is approved by this County Board.

Moved by: Vrbka Seconded by: Schmieding Adopted: 08/11/20

Ayes: Becky Paulsen, Ken Schmieding, Michael Mundhenke, Robert Vrbka

John K. Culver, Chair of the Board

Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

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

Moved by Schmieding and seconded by Vrbka to accept the Annual Return of Disposed Items for the District Judge Office.

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

Bob Dahms, County Treasurer, and Sherry Leising, Deputy County Treasurer, discussed the Distress Warrants they currently have. Some Distress Warrants are not collectable but there is one Distress Warrant that they feel needs to have some property seized.

Moved by Paulsen and seconded by Vrbka to adopt Resolution No. 3530 in regard to the Treasurer's recommendation for Distress Warrants.

Resolution No. 3530 of the  
Seward County Board of Commissioners

Whereas: this County Board accepts the County Treasurer's recommended action for the next issue of distress warrants. All warrants are to be reissued: Number 7, 54, 57, 69,81, 82 & 102. Also, personal property is to be seized to satisfy the continuing deficiency on warrant #102.

List of Distress Warrants attached to Resolution in Resolution file.

Moved by: Paulsen Seconded by: Vrbka Dated: 08/11/2020

Ayes: Ken Schmieding, Becky Paulsen, Michael Mundhenke, Robert Vrbka

John K. Culver, Chair of the Board

Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

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

Motion Carried

The Commissioners recessed at 9:55 a.m.

The Commissioners re-convened at 10:00 a.m.

Andrew Matney, E911 Director, and Sheriff Mike Vance were both present to discuss the vehicle tow rotation in the dispatch center. Vance said there is a company called Auto Return that can help with the rotation of tow trucks for accidents. He said an app can be put on a Sheriff's Deputy phone that can enable the rotation and said the State Patrol is also going with this company. Vance said there would be no cost to the county. They will talk to the City of Seward and Milford Law Enforcement Agencies and get their approval before asking to have a contract approved.

Sherry Schweitzer, County Clerk, led discussion on a request to name a 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy for her office. Because her office has a wide variety of office subject matter, because she is also the Register of Deeds and Election Commissioner, she is requesting that she be able to appoint an extra deputy in her office. There are approximately 10 other counties that have an extra deputy for the same reasons.

Moved by Mundhenke and seconded by Vrbka to allow the County Clerk to have a 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy in her office.

Affirmative Vote: Mundhenke, Vrbka, Schmieding, Culver

Voting No: Paulsen

Motion Carried

The Commissioners discussed the budget.

**Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on August 18, 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 August 11, 2020
4. Discuss/Action – Claims for the period through August 7, 2020

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

1. Discuss/Action - Public/Officials/Boards
2. Commissioners Reports
3. Discuss/Action - Accept the 2019-2020 Annual Report of the Seward County Noxious Weed and Zoning Administrator
4. Discuss/Action – Budget Discussion
5. Discuss/Action – Agenda for August 25, 2020

9:30 a.m. Discuss/Action – Open bids for Contracted County Surveyor

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to adjourn at 11:53 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Schmieding, Mundhenke, Paulsen, 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 2020.

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County Clerk

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Chairman