

August 17, 2021

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 17, 2021 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 17, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Chairperson: John Culver

Members: Misty Ahmic, Bob Vrbka, 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.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Schmieding to approve the minutes of August 10, 2021.

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

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to approve the claims for the period through August 6, 2021.

SEWARD COUNTY CLAIMS THROUGH AUGUST 6, 2021

ADVANCED CORR HLTHCR	SE	\$4,439.57	VERIZON CONNECT NWF	EQ	\$89.95
ADVANCED OFFICE AUTOM	SU	\$495.69	VERIZON WIRELESS SERV	UT	\$155.63
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SU	\$599.97	WELLS FARGO FIN LEAS	FE	\$198.15
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	FE	\$16,477.05	WINDSTREAM	UT	\$6,714.18
AXON ENTERPRISES	SU	\$2,697.00	WYTHERS LAW	SE	\$1,396.50
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UT	\$801.61	AKRS EQUIPMENT	EQ	\$6,592.50
CITY OF SEWARD	UT	\$12,577.17	KENNETH PANKOKE	SE	\$201.30
CLERK OF DIST CRT	SE	\$626.00	CHEMSEARCH	SE	\$700.00
CONSOLIDATED MGMT CO	SE	\$101.19	DALE JOHNSON ENT, INC	SU	\$45,968.39
CORI J STAVA	SE	\$517.50	FASTENAL COMPANY	SU	\$332.24
CUMMINS SALES	SU	\$629.22	HEARTLAND TIRES	SU	\$1,948.50
DATASPEC INC	SE	\$898.00	HOTSY EQUIPMENT CO	SU	\$158.88
DOUGLAS CO SHERIFF	SE	\$9.77	KRIHA FLUID POWER CO INC	SU	\$71.55
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SU	\$1,676.00	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES INC	SU	\$245.00
FARMERS COOP	SU	\$13,567.17	MEMORIAL CLINIC	SE	\$440.00
FIRST WIRELESS, INC	UT	\$1,073.62	MIDWEST AUTO PARTS	SU	\$436.97
JONATHAN FRAZER	SE	\$3,467.50	MIDWEST SERVICE	SE	\$426.30
GARCIA CLINICAL LAB	SE	\$19.00	NE EQUIPMENT INC	SE	\$157.58
HELENA AGRI-ENTERPRISES	SE	\$2,862.50	NE PUBLIC POWER DIST	UT	\$54.84
HELMINK PRINTING	SU	\$151.00	NEXTLINK AIS	UT	\$74.99
HERPOLSHEIMERS INC	SE	\$613.86	NORRIS PUB POW DIST	UT	\$886.26
HOMETOWN LEASING	SU	\$485.38	OSCEOLA IMPLEMENT	SE	\$109.96
JANA S WURM	SE	\$118.50	PLANET TECHNOLOGIES	SU	\$70.40
JONES BANK	SE	\$350.00	RDO TRUCK CENTERS	SU	\$1,992.13
JONES BANK (FICA)	FE	\$15,835.20	ROSE EQUIPMENT INC	EQ	\$3,897.64
KINER SUPPLY COMPANY	SU	\$165.21	SEWARD CO TREASURER	FE	\$20.00
KIRBY ROTH INSURANCE	SE	\$50.00	SUNBELT RENTALS, INC	FE	\$675.70
KONICA MINOLTA PREM FIN	SE	\$131.48	TRUCK EQUIP SERVICE	SE	\$87.52
LANCASTER CO SHERIFF	SE	\$60.39	VILLAGE OF GARLAND	UT	\$48.72
MCKESSON MED SURG	SU	\$144.70	VILLAGE OF UTICA	UT	\$54.08

MID AMERICAN BENEFITS	FE	\$106.25	ACE IRRIGATION	EQ	\$33,165.78
MIDWEST AUTOMOTIVE	SE	\$268.13	HTR INC/KLUTE TRUCK EQUIP	SE	\$1,676.44
MIDWEST OFFICE AUTOM	SU	\$41.91	KOLN 10/11 NEWS	SE	\$997.50
MIPS INC	SE	\$2,489.81	PATRIOTIC PRODUCTIONS	SE	\$500.00
NE ASSN OF CO OFFICIALS	FE	\$156.00	DELTA DENTAL OF NEBR	FE	\$29.97
NE LAW ENF TRNING CT	FE	\$250.00	SEWARD CO HLTH CLM FND	FE	\$178,918.49
N A I S M A	FE	\$424.00	VISION SERVICE PLAN INS	FE	\$23.29
OFFICENET	SU	\$164.52	MILFORD AGING SERV	SE	\$182.70
OREILLY AUTOMOTIVE	SU	\$353.34	MOMS MEALS	SE	\$132.22
PAC N SAVE	SU	\$52.83	SEWARD AGING SERV	SE	\$158.20
PAPER TIGER SHREDDING	SE	\$270.00	US POST OFFICE	SE	\$44.00
PETTY CASH FUND	FE	\$5.00	UTICA AGING SERV	SE	\$154.70
QUADIENT LEASING	FE	\$81.98	BLUE RIVER ELECTRIC	SE	\$573.23
RAMADA COLUMBUS	TR	\$285.00	GALLS LLC	SE	\$228.11
REGION V SERVICES	SE	\$2,484.58	JONES AUTOMOTIVE	SE	\$3,142.83
RUMERY LAWN	SE	\$5.61	LANDAUER	SE	\$1,035.40
SECRETARY OF STATE	FE	\$30.00	MOTOROLA	UT	\$12,866.22
SEWARD COUNTY COURT	SE	\$1,151.00	PACESETTER K9 LLC	EQ	\$6,500.00
SEWARD CO INDEPENDENT	SE	\$598.21	TRANSUNION	FE	\$300.00
SEWARD CO PUB TRANS	SE	\$122.00	US BANK EQUIP FIN	FE	\$167.99
SEWARD CO SHERIFF DEPT	SE	\$7.00	JOANN KING	SE	\$4,341.14
SEW CO SHRF UNCOLL FEES	FE	\$152.00	ENCARTELE INC	SE	\$2,992.23
SEWARD LUMBER	SU	\$260.32	SALARIES		\$244,174.22
SOARIN GROUP, LLC	SE	\$6,389.97	GROSS SALARIES INCLUDE DEDUCTIONS TO:		
SPORTS EXPRESS INC	SU	\$207.55	COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE		
ST OF NE DAS ST ACCNTING	SE	\$892.78	MID AMERICAN CO WISCONSIN		
SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE	SE	\$5,232.19	DELTA DENTAL		
THOMAS & THOMAS CRT REPT	SE	\$1,398.21	VSP VISION		
TIME WARNER CABLE	UT	\$357.97	WADDELL & REED		
TWIN RIVERS HEALTH CARE	SE	\$160.00			

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

Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Ahmic reported she received calls in regard to a road issue and a drainage issue. She attended a Seward County Chamber and Development Committee Partnership (SCCDP) meeting.

Commissioner Vrbka reported he will attend an NRD meeting this coming week.

Commissioner Culver reported he attended the Bee and Pleasant Dale Village Board meetings, received calls about road issues, reviewed census information recently released, and will attend a Blue Valley Community Action meeting this week. He also stated he participated in the Four Corners Health District Update via Zoom.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he worked on an article for the picture that was recently donated. He will attend a Visitors Committee meeting this week.

Commissioner Zabrocki reported he was able to help resolve a problem reported by a constituent, attended a Congressman Fortenberry meeting and will attend meetings with Waverly Road residents and the Seward City Council.

Chairman Culver led discussion on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds agenda item. Last week, Board members said they were going to contact Village Trustees to see if they had any plans for projects that might be eligible for ARPA funds. He reported he has met with the Bee and Pleasant Dale Village Boards about it, as did Vrbka, who met with the Staplehurst representatives. Ahmic reported she knew that Utica has plans to discuss it. She also reported she had talked to Matt Starkey, Veteran's Service Officer, to possibly use ARPA funds to equip a room in the West Wing building for telehealth and mental health counseling.

Roger Reamer of Memorial Health Care was present to represent the Four Corners Health District Board. He gave information about the formation of the Health District and the work they have been doing during the COVID pandemic. He also gave information about the changes the hospital/clinics of Memorial Health Care had to make due to the pandemic.

He informed the Commissioners about the current building Four Corners is located in. He said they are thinking that replacement is more feasible and ARPA funds would be eligible. Commissioner Ahmic is a member of the Board and stated the Health District is asking for a portion of ARPA Funding from each of the four counties in the District.

Terry Wicht, Road Supt., was present to discuss mitigation of wetlands for a road project. Currently, a land owner is requesting more than planned for mitigation of wetlands. It was decided that negotiations would stop and another site for transferring wetlands be sought.

Matt Starkey, Veteran's Service Officer/Public Transit Director, was present to discuss an agreement for the purchase of a vehicle for public transit.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to authorize the Chairman to sign the Supplemental Agreement for acquisition of vehicles for Seward Public Transit.
Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Zabrocki, Schmieding, Ahmic, Culver Motion Carried

The Commissioners recessed at 9:57 a.m.
The Commissioners recessed at 10:00 a.m.

Becky Paulsen, Seward Weed/Zoning Administer, presented several short form plats for the Commissioners' consideration.

Questions arose with the Burkey 3rd Addition short form plat because there are covenants on the plat and the circumstances involving approving a plat that doesn't have its own water source. No action was taken at this time.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to adopt Resolution No. 3621 in regard to creating a short form plat to create Skunk Trail Addition located in A Precinct in the NW ¼ of Section 4, Township 12 North, Range 4 East of the 6th p.m.

**RESOLUTION No. 3621 OF THE
SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, Owner Fred Kozisek has applied for a Short Form Plat Subdivision, and described as a tract of land in the Northwest ¼ of, Section 4, Township 12N, Range 4E, Seward County, Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, the subdivision shall be called SKUNK TRAIL ADDITION SHORT FORM PLAT, and

WHEREAS The Seward County Planning Commission held a meeting on August 9th, 2021, to consider the Short Form Plat, and

WHEREAS the Planning Commission recommended approval of the SKUNK TRAIL ADDITION Short Form Plat with a vote of 6 For, 0 against, and 2 Absent and Not Voting, and

WHEREAS X No one appeared to oppose the subdivision

 Individuals appeared to oppose the subdivision

X No one appeared to support the subdivision

 Individuals appeared to support the subdivision

 Individuals appeared without commitment, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Seward County Board of Commissioners do hereby Approve X , Deny the SKUNK TRAIL ADDITION Short Form Plat with Resolution NO: 3621 .

Moved by: Vrbka Seconded by: Schmieding 08/17/21

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, Schmieding, Ahmic, Zabrocki, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Vrbka to adopt Resolution No. 3622 in regard to creating a short form plat to create Thomlinson Addition located in N Precinct in the SE ¼ of Section 29, Township 9 North, Range 2 East of the 6th p.m.

**RESOLUTION No. 3622 OF THE
SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, Owner Delmar L. and Twila K. Thomlinson has applied for a Short Form Plat Subdivision, and described as a tract of land in the Southeast ¼ of, Section 29, Township 9N, Range 2E, Seward County, Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, the subdivision shall be called THOMLINSON ADDITION SHORT FORM PLAT, and

WHEREAS The Seward County Planning Commission held a meeting on August 9th, 2021, to consider the Short Form Plat, and

WHEREAS the Planning Commission recommended approval of the THOMLINSON ADDITION Short Form Plat with a vote of 6 For, 0 against, and 2 Absent and Not Voting, and

WHEREAS No one appeared to oppose the subdivision
 ___ Individuals appeared to oppose the subdivision
 No one appeared to support the subdivision
 ___ Individuals appeared to support the subdivision
 ___ Individuals appeared without commitment, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Seward County Board of Commissioners do hereby Approve X , Deny _____ the THOMLINSON ADDITION Short Form Plat with Resolution NO: 3622 .

Moved by: Zabrocki Seconded by: Vrbka 08/17/21
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 Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to adopt Resolution No. 3623 in regard to creating a short form plat to create Wehrs Addition located in J Precinct in the NE ¼ of Section 32, Township 10 North, Range 3 East of the 6th p.m.

**RESOLUTION No. 3623 OF THE
SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, Owner Duane R Wehrs has applied for a Short Form Plat Subdivision, and described as a tract of land in the Northeast ¼ of, Section 32, Township 10N, Range 3E, Seward County, Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, the subdivision shall be called WEHRS ADDITION SHORT FORM PLAT, and

WHEREAS The Seward County Planning Commission held a meeting on August 9th, 2021, to consider the Short Form Plat, and

WHEREAS the Planning Commission recommended approval of the WEHRS ADDITION Short Form Plat with a vote of 6 For, 0 against, and 2 Absent and Not Voting, and

WHEREAS No one appeared to oppose the subdivision
 ___ Individuals appeared to oppose the subdivision
 No one appeared to support the subdivision
 ___ Individuals appeared to support the subdivision
 ___ Individuals appeared without commitment, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Seward County Board of Commissioners do hereby Approve X , Deny _____ the WEHRS ADDITION Short Form Plat with Resolution NO: 3623 .

Moved by: Vrbka Seconded by: Schmieding 08/17/21
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, Schmieding, Zabrocki, Ahmic, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Vrbka to adopt Resolution No. 3624 in regard to creating a short form plat to create Neukirch Addition located in F Precinct in the SW ¼ of Section 13, Township 11 North, Range 2 East of the 6th p.m.

RESOLUTION No. 3624 OF THE

SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, Owner Paul W. Neukirch has applied for a Short Form Plat Subdivision, and described as a tract of land in the Southwest ¼ of, Section 13, Township 11N, Range 2E, Seward County, Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, the subdivision shall be called NEUKIRCH ADDITION SHORT FORM PLAT, and

WHEREAS The Seward County Planning Commission held a meeting on August 9th, 2021, to consider the Short Form Plat, and

WHEREAS the Planning Commission recommended approval of the NEUKIRCH ADDITION Short Form Plat with a vote of 6 For, 0 against, and 2 Absent and Not Voting, and

WHEREAS X No one appeared to oppose the subdivision
 Individuals appeared to oppose the subdivision
 X No one appeared to support the subdivision
 Individuals appeared to support the subdivision
 Individuals appeared without commitment, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Seward County Board of Commissioners do hereby Approve X , Deny the NEUKIRCH ADDITION Short Form Plat with Resolution NO: 3624 .

Moved by: Zabrocki Seconded by: Vrbka 08/17/21
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 Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to adopt Resolution No. 3625 in regard to creating the Short Form Plat to create Pat Addition located in N Precinct in the NW ¼ of Section 3, Township 9 North, Range 2 East of the 6th p.m.

RESOLUTION No. 3625 OF THE

SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, Owner Karen Burkey has applied for a Short Form Plat Subdivision, and described as a tract of land in the Northwest ¼ of, Section 3, Township 9N, Range 2E, Seward County, Nebraska, and

WHEREAS the subdivision shall be called PAT ADDITION Filing 1 SHORT FORM PLAT, and

WHEREAS The Seward County Planning Commission held a meeting on August 9th, 2021, to consider the Short Form Plat, and

WHEREAS the Planning Commission recommended approval of the PAT ADDITION Filing 1 Short Form Plat with a vote of 6 For, 0 against, and 2 Absent and Not Voting, and

WHEREAS No one appeared to oppose the subdivision
 Individuals appeared to oppose the subdivision
 No one appeared to support the subdivision
 Individuals appeared to support the subdivision
 Individuals appeared without commitment, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Seward County Board of Commissioners do hereby Approve , Deny the PAT ADDITION Filing 1 Short Form Plat with Resolution NO: 3625.

**RESOLUTION No. 3625 OF THE
SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, Owner Karen Burkey has applied for a Short Form Plat Subdivision, and described as a tract of land in the Northwest ¼ of, Section 3, Township 9N, Range 2E, Seward County, Nebraska, and

WHEREAS the subdivision shall be called PAT ADDITION Filing 1 SHORT FORM PLAT, and

WHEREAS The Seward County Planning Commission held a meeting on August 9th, 2021, to consider the Short Form Plat, and

WHEREAS the Planning Commission recommended approval of the PAT ADDITION Filing 1 Short Form Plat with a vote of 6 For, 0 against, and 2 Absent and Not Voting, and

WHEREAS No one appeared to oppose the subdivision
 Individuals appeared to oppose the subdivision
 No one appeared to support the subdivision
 Individuals appeared to support the subdivision
 Individuals appeared without commitment, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Seward County Board of Commissioners do hereby Approve , Deny the PAT ADDITION Filing 1 Short Form Plat with Resolution NO: 3625.

Moved by: Vrbka Seconded by: Zabrocki 08/17/21
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, Schmieding, Ahmic, Culver Motion Carried

The Board discussed designating roles for the ARPA Funds reporting.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to appoint Sherry Schweitzer as the Account Administrator, Point of Contact for Reporting, and the Authorized Representative for Reporting for the ARPA awards.

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

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Schmieding to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract with Tillotson Enterprises for the Extension Office Building Roof Repairs.

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

The Commissioners discussed acquiring a .gov domain name.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to authorize the Chairman to sign a Registration Letter for a .gov domain name.

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

The Commissioners discussed the budget.

Known items on the agenda for Board of Equalization on August 24, 2021 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 10, 2021
4. Discuss/Action –Assessor Information Update

Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on August 24, 2021 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 17, 2021

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 – Budget Discussion
8. Discuss/Action – Agenda for August 31, 2021

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to adjourn at 11:13 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 24th day of August, 2021.

County Clerk

Chairperson