### December 3, 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 December 3, 2024 in the Commissioner's room at the Seward County Courthouse. Notice of the meeting was posted on the Courthouse bulletin board, on the Commissioner's Room door, on the Seward County website: sewardcountyne.gov and published in the Seward County Independent and the Milford Times. 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 December 3, 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.

Jonathan Jank, Executive Director of Seward County Chamber & Development Partnership (SCCDP), updated the Commissioners on activities of his organization.

Marilyn Hladky, Assessor, and Sherry Schweitzer, County Clerk, were present to update the Commissioners on activities of their offices.

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

- a. Minutes of November 26, 2024
- b. Surplus Property Request of Road Dept.
- c. Utility Permit for Windstream to bore under Old Mill Road to place a new copper line at 1604 Old Mill Road located in the SE ¼ of Section 2 Township 11 North, Range 4 East of the 6th p.m.
- d. Utility Permit to bore under Waverly Road and plow 588' to replace copper service line at 1635 Waverly Road located in the SE ¼ of Section 14 Township 11 North, Range 4 East of the 6th p.m.

Affirmative Vote: Hain, Schmieding, Culver, Schmieding Motion Carried Voting Yes: Zabrocki but he abstained from approving the minutes as he was not in attendance.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Culver to approve claims for the period through November 22, 2024.

SEWARD COUNTY CLAIMS THROUGH NOVEMBER 22, 2024					
ACCURATE CONTROLS	SE	\$1,856.36	THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	EQ	\$1,926.90
ADP INC	SE	\$2,814.60	CHRISTINA THORNTON	SE	\$1,292.26
ADVANCED OFFICE AUTOM	SE	\$252.98	US BANK EQUIP FINANCE	EQ	\$182.24
AMAZON CAPITAL SERV	SE	\$129.00	VANGUARD APPRAISALS	SE	\$4,680.00
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	FE	\$22,373.06	VERIZON WIRELESS SERV	SE	\$802.34
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UT	\$1,536.34	VISA	FE	\$40.02
BOB BARKER CO	SE	\$369.94	BEATRICE CONCRETE CO	SU	\$15,526.49
BRENNAN, NIELSEN LAW	SE	\$1,500.00	FASTENAL COMPANY	SU	\$275.29

CAMPBELL CLEANING	SE	\$4,975.00	HEARTLAND TIRES	SU	\$4,212.00
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYS	SU	\$45.32	INLAND TRUCK PARTS	SU	\$645.18
CHARTER COMM	UT	\$333.59	JOHNSON SAND & GRAVEL	SU	\$79,714.79
CONTINENTAL FIRE	SE	\$1,097.36	MATHESON TRI-GAS	SE	\$304.78
DICKSON LAW	SE	\$500.00	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES	SU	\$140.00
E 911	FE	\$39,183.83	MEYER AUTOMOTIVE	EQ	\$900.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SU	\$670.32	MH EQUIPMENT	EQ	\$18,310.00
EGR BIRKEL & WOLLMER	SE	\$375.00	NEBRASKA TRUCK REPAIR	SE	\$9.87
KEARNEY HOSPITALITY	TR	\$239.90	VILLAGE OF UTICA	UT	\$54.08
FARMERS COOP	SU	\$2,024.62	DALE JOHNSON ENT	SU	\$8,053.62
GREAT PLAINS UNIFORMS	SE	\$45.00	SOUTHWEST GRAVEL	SU	\$6,465.10
HELMINK PRINTING	SU	\$668.00	CATTLE BANK & TRUST	FE	\$595,830.00
HERPOLSHEIMERS	EQ	\$3,632.95	MILFORD AGING SERV	SE	\$1,774.80
JONES BANK (FICA)	FE	\$22,666.67	SEWARD AGING SERV	SE	\$2,073.00
LIFEGUARD MD	SE	\$168.00	UTICA AGING SERV	SE	\$1,691.80
MATTSON RICKETTS LAW	SE	\$127.00	THERESA M VOS	SE	\$1,000.00
MCHENRY, HASZARD	SE	\$718.50	CUMMINS ALLISON	SE	\$605.00
MID-AMERICAN INS GRP	FE	\$45,261.04	DHHS	FE	\$300.00
MORROW, POPPE	SE	\$3,099.82	GREAT PLAINS COMM	UT	\$629.89
NAT'L ASSN OF COUNTIES	FE	\$450.00	NORRIS PUB POWER DIST	UT	\$456.65
NE FSMA	FE	\$35.00	SECURITY EQUIP INC	EQ	\$366.06
NE HLTH & HUMAN SERV	SE	\$93.00	SUMMIT FIRE PROTECT	SE	\$835.00
PAPER TIGER SHREDDING	SE	\$35.00	DILLON WILLIAMS	SE	\$625.00
POINT C HEALTH	FE	\$108.50	FEDERAL SIGNAL CORP	EQ	\$28,749.40
QUADIENT, INC	SU	\$248.90	FELSBURG HOLT & ULLEVIG	SE	\$9,153.91
SAMUELSON LAW FIRM	SE	\$351.50	LANGUAGE LINE SERV	SE	\$11.80
MELANIE SANNER	SE	\$6.00	CENTRALSQUARE TECHN	SE	\$2,126.61
SCHNEIDER GEOSPATIAL	SE	\$512.00	CIDNET	SE	\$0.30
SEWARD CO HLTH CLM FND	FE	\$108,681.62	LINCOLN JOURNAL STAR	SE	\$8,715.00
SEWARD CO INDEPENDENT	SE	\$28.63	SALARIES		\$318,722.17
SHEEPDOG GUARDIAN CONSULT	SE	\$450.00	GROSS SALARIES INCLUDE DEDUCTIONS TO:		
JOY SHIFFERMILLER	SE	\$3,807.75	AMERITAS DENTAL		
SOARIN GROUP	SE	\$281.25	AMERITAS VISION		
ST OF NE DAS STATE ACCNTG	SE	\$888.50	COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE		
ST OF NE DAS COMM	SE	\$537.60	MID AMERICAN CO WISCONSIN		
SUMMIT FOOD SERV	SE	\$9,387.10	POINT C FSA		
SVEHLA LAW OFFICES	SE	\$2,100.00	WADDELL & REED		

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

#### **Commissioners Reports:**

Commissioner Zabrocki reported he attended the Seward City Council meeting and a 4<sup>th</sup> of July committee meeting.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he will have a Visitors Committee meeting and plans to attend the Drug Court graduation. He also mentioned several meetings/events he will attend in the months of December and January.

Commissioner Ahmic reported she finished the paperwork for a court case for the county, reached out to the two grant writers to hear information about their proposals, gave information about working/helping villages with their Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) and the enforcement of zoning in those areas. She also received a call about road conditions.

Commissioner Culver reported he finished up reports for Blue Valley Community Action (BVCA) and worked with G & P Landfill as Chairman of the Seward/Saline Solid Waste Agency.

Commissioner Hain reported she spent time with the County Comprehensive Youth Services Plan and participated in the Four Corners Health Dept. Zoom meeting.

The Commissioners discussed the Seward County Abandoned Cemetery Restoration Project. A representative of the Daughters of the American Revolution was at a previous meeting and suggested a plan and timeline for restoration. Because there is a cost to repairs, it was decided that all cemeteries have a green sign(s) at the entrance that states it is an abandoned cemetery with the name of the cemetery, and repair fencing. Flag/poles were discussed and each Commissioner had different thoughts about the costs, maintenance, proper lighting, etc. Commissioner Hain suggested working with Extension Office/4-H Clubs to get all cemeteries adopted and develop a protocol for taking care of a flag/pole. It was decided benches and planting/shrubs not be put in the cemeteries.

The Commissioners discussed whether to have a meeting on December 24, 2024.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Schmieding to cancel the Board of Commissioners meeting for December 24, 2024.

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

The Commissioners then discussed hours for Seward County personnel on December 24,2024.

Moved by Hain and seconded by Zabrocki that Seward County offices/departments close for December 24, 2024 in observance of the Christmas Eve Holiday.

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

Motion Carried

## Known items on the agenda for Board of Equalization on December 10, 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 November 26, 2024
- 4. Discuss/Action Assessor Information Update

# Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on December 10, 2024 are as follows:

9:00 a.m.

- 5. Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
- 6. Pledge of Allegiance
- 7. Discuss/Action Approve minutes of December 3, 2024

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

- 8. Discuss/Action Public/Organizations/Officials
- 9. Commissioners Reports
- 10. Discuss/Action Agenda for December 17, 2024

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Culver to adjourn at 9:39 a.	.m.
Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Culver, Hain, Schmieding, Ahmic	Motion Carried
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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 her 9 <sup>th</sup> day of December 2024.	reunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this
County Clerk	Chairperson