

January 4, 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 8:30 a.m. on January 4, 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.

The Seward County Board of Commissioners convened on January 4, 2022 at 8:30 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.

Jonathan Jank, Executive Director of the Seward County Chamber & Development Partnership, and Harrison Helmer, Executive Director of BRIDGES, were present to update the Commissioners on their organizations.

Sherry Schweitzer, County Clerk, updated the Commissioners on activities of her office.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to approve the minutes of December 28, 2021.

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

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Zabrocki to approve Seward County claims for the period through December 24, 2021.

SEWARD COUNTY CLAIMS THROUGH DECEMBER 24, 2021

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| ADP LLC | SE | \$2,455.65 | SOARIN GROUP, LLC | SE | \$5,573.00 |
| ADVANCED CORR HLTHCR | SE | \$526.75 | SOUTHEAST DIST ASSESS ASSOC | FE | \$50.00 |
| ADVANCED OFFICE AUTOM | SU | \$44.04 | SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC | SE | \$3,490.04 |
| ALL COPY PRODUCTS | SU | \$29.66 | SUPER 8 BLAIR | TR | \$300.00 |
| AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP | FE | \$16,556.62 | THAYER COUNTY SHERIFF | SE | \$33.34 |
| BINSWANGER ENTERPRISES | SE | \$245.00 | THOMSON REUTERS-WEST | SE | \$1,017.38 |
| CAMPBELL CLEANING | SE | \$4,380.00 | TIME WARNER CABLE | UT | \$357.97 |
| CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS | SU | \$29.00 | TWIN RIVERS HLTH CR | SE | \$75.00 |
| CONTINENTAL FIRE SPRINKLER | SE | \$1,435.00 | US BANK EQUIP FINANCE | SE | \$167.99 |
| CULLIGAN | SE | \$179.08 | VERIZON WIRELESS SERV | UT | \$619.04 |
| GREGORY C. DAMMAN | SE | \$745.75 | VIRTUAL IMPRESSIONS INC | SE | \$20.00 |
| DOUGLAS COUNTY COURT | SE | \$1.75 | VISA | FE | \$361.99 |
| DOUGLAS CO SHERIFF OFFICE | SE | \$11.54 | WYTHERS LAW | SE | \$5,487.50 |
| EAKES OFFICE PLUS | SU | \$225.41 | YORK COUNTY SHERIFF | SE | \$29.12 |
| EGR BIRKEL & WOLLMER | SE | \$1,121.00 | AKRS EQUIPMENT | EQ | \$9,604.71 |
| EHLERS ELECTRONICS LLC | SE | \$240.00 | BLACK HILLS ENERGY | UT | \$870.97 |
| KEARNEY HOSPITALITY | TR | \$804.65 | DALE JOHNSON ENT, INC | SU | \$18,944.27 |
| FARMERS COOPERATIVE | SU | \$39.01 | FASTENAL COMPANY | SU | \$105.34 |
| GENERAL FIRE & SAFETY EQ | SE | \$1,551.00 | JOHNSON SAND & GRAVEL | SU | \$21,761.86 |
| GREAT PLAINS COMMUN | UT | \$900.79 | MAINELLI WAGNER & ASSOC | SE | \$1,500.00 |
| HOLLAND CONSTR | SE | \$660.00 | VILLAGE OF UTICA | UT | \$53.60 |
| IHS PHARMACY | SU | \$81.86 | SEWARD LUMBER | SU | \$104.91 |
| INDOFF INC | SU | \$304.97 | SEWARD CO HLTH CLM FND | FE | \$70,738.08 |
| JONES BANK (FICA) | FE | \$16,598.20 | BAUDVILLE | SU | \$216.41 |
| LATIMER REPORTING | SE | \$492.85 | ATLAS BUSINESS SOLUTIONS | SU | \$1,060.80 |
| LAUBER FUNERAL SERVICE | SE | \$540.00 | COAST TO COAST SOLUTIONS | SU | \$1,640.30 |
| LEE'S REFRIGERATION | SE | \$1,780.59 | DELL MARKETING L P | SE | \$950.00 |

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| LINCOLN ORTHOPAEDIC | SE | \$70.98 | JONES BANK | SE | \$100.00 |
| MEMORIAL HOSPITAL | SE | \$293.62 | SECURITY EQUIPMENT INC | EQ | \$4,742.00 |
| MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES | SE | \$489.00 | WATCH GUARD VIDEO | SE | \$500.00 |
| MIPS INC | SE | \$2,093.75 | VIGILNET | SE | \$139.00 |
| NE ASSN OF EMERG MGMT | FE | \$50.00 | FIRST WIRELESS, INC | UT | \$4,268.40 |
| OREILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC | SU | \$31.84 | NAT EMERG NUMBER ASSN | FE | \$142.00 |
| ORKIN LLC | SE | \$122.00 | ST OF NE DAS STATE ACCNTING | SE | \$115.00 |
| POLLACK AND BALL LLC | SE | \$598.50 | ST OF NE DAS COMM | SE | \$1,408.00 |
| POTTER REPAIR | SE | \$84.50 | TRITECH SOFTWARE SYS | SE | \$8,412.25 |
| QUADIANT, INC | SU | \$234.53 | SALARIES | | \$240,918.66 |
| RADIOLOGY ASSOCIATES | SE | \$233.18 | GROSS SALARIES INCLUDE DEDUCTIONS TO: | | |
| KEARNEY LODGING LLC | TR | \$156.00 | COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE | | |
| REGION V SYSTEMS | SE | \$3,424.00 | MID AMERICAN CO WISCONSIN | | |
| SAFELITE FULFILLMENT | SE | \$187.93 | DELTA DENTAL | | |
| JON D STRONG | SE | \$100.00 | VSP VISION | | |
| SEWARD CO CHAMBER | SE | \$103.00 | WADDELL & REED | | |
| SEWARD CO INDEPENDENT | SE | \$139.12 | | | |

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

Moved by Ahmic and seconded by Zabrocki to approve the claims for Premium Pay using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

PREMIUM PAY CLAIMS USING ARPA FUNDS

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| AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP(SEWARD 2052) | FE | \$67.50 |
| JONES BANK (FICA) | FE | \$76.50 |
| SALARIES | | \$1,000.00 |
| GROSS SALARIES INCLUDE DEDUCTIONS TO: | | |
| COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE | | |
| MID AMERICAN CO WISCONSIN | | |
| DELTA DENTAL | | |
| VSP VISION | | |
| WADDELL & REED | | |

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

Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Ahmic reported she participated in a Zoom meeting with UNL representatives; a Zoom meeting with the Four Corners Health District and registered for a Nebraska Revenue Dept. webinar.

Commissioner Vrbka reported he received a phone call from a constituent.

Commissioner Culver reported he also participated in a meeting with UNL, checked roads, and received various correspondences.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he and Commissioner Culver worked on the Public Defender vacancy.

Commissioner Zabrocki reported the County had received a donation from Hughes Brothers in regard to thanking the E911 Department for their services.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to adopt Resolution No. 3653 in regard to approving the additional pledging of securities from Jones Bank.

RESOLUTION No. 3653 of the
Seward County Board of Commissioners

WHEREAS, the Jones Bank desires to pledge the following federal mortgage backed securities:

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| FHR—CUSIP #3137FDKU5 in the amount of | \$1,000,000.00 |
| FHR—CUSIP #3137H46R6 in the amount of | \$ 976,202.94 |
| FHR—CUSIP #3136BJV28 in the amount of | \$ 975,286.11 |
| TOTAL PLEDGED | \$2,951,489.05 |

WHEREAS: County deposits need to be fully insured. Therefore, let it be resolved, the above pledging, with a pledge date as on 12/28/2021, by the Jones Bank is approved by this County Board.

The 9:45 a.m. item involving the Broadband Task Force was not discussed. It will be on next week's agenda.

The Commissioners recessed at 9:45 a.m.
The Commissioners re-convened at 10:00 a.m.

Carina Sanchez, HR Director, was present to discuss the recommendation for appointment of the Public Defender. She gave information about the interviews and gave a recommendation of Jonathan Frazier. It is a full-time job; and no private practice is allowed.

Moved by Schmieding and seconded by Ahmic to offer the position of Public Defender to Jonathan Frazer.

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

Known items on the agenda for Board of Equalization on January 11, 2022 are as follows:

8:30 a.m.

1. Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
2. Discuss/Action - Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discuss/Action - Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman
4. Discuss/Action - Approve minutes of December 28, 2021
5. Discuss/Action – Assessor Information Update

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9:00 a.m.

1. Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discuss/Action – Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman
4. Discuss/Action – Appoint Office Liaisons, Make Committee Appointments, Appoint County Newspapers, Depositories, Coroner's Physician, Highway Supt., Budget Making Authority and Set Officials' Deputies' Wages
5. Discuss/Action - Approve minutes of January 4, 2022

Other Business Matters to Address When Time Allows

6. Discuss/Action - Public/Officials/Boards
7. Commissioners Reports
8. Discuss/Action – Disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds
9. Discuss/Action – Agenda for January 18, 2022

9:45 a.m. Discuss/Action – Update on Seward County Broadband Task Force including Discussion about Projects using ARPA Funds in Seward County

10:00 a.m. Discuss/Action – 2021/2022 Yearly Weed Control Supt. Reports for the Nebraska Department of Agriculture

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to adjourn at 10:17 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 11th day of January 2022.

County Clerk

Chairperson