

# June 4, 2019

## 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 June 4, 2019 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 Commissioners convened on June 4, 2019 at 8:30 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.

Those in attendance for their monthly meeting with the Commissioners and updating them with information about their departments were Gary Petersen, Ann Dobesh, Casey Keim, Marilyn Hladky, Kathy Ruzicka, Barb Liska, Mike Janssen, & Wendy Elston.

Jonathan Jank, Executive Director of the Seward County Chamber Partnership & Development, updated the Commissioners about his organization's activities.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to approve the minutes of May 28, 2019.

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Schmieding, Mundhenke, Culver

Abstain: Paulsen, as she was absent at said meeting.

Motion Carried

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Mundhenke to approve the special claims of June 4, 2019 as follows:

#### APPROVED SPECIAL CLAIMS AS FOLLOWS:

AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP(SEWARD 2052)	FE	\$	17.26
JONES BANK (FICA)	FE	\$	19.57
SALARIES	SA	\$	255.85

#### SALARIES MAY INCLUDED DEDUCTIONS FOR:

AFLAC  
COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTAL LIFE  
MID AMERICAN CO WISCONSIN  
DELTA DENTAL  
VSP VISION  
WADDELL & REED

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

### **Commissioners Reports:**

Commissioner Mundhenke reported he checked roads and will be going to the Commissioners Workshop in the next few days.

Commissioner Vrbka reported he also checked roads and will be going to the Commissioners Workshop in Kearney.

Commissioner Culver attended a Blue Valley Community Action meeting and a Safety Committee meeting and checked roads. He mentioned that Jones Bank has a fund for flooding victims and he also will be attending the Commissioners Workshop.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he has been receiving complaints about roads, completing Region V surveys and will be attending the Commissioners Workshop.

Commissioner Paulsen reported she also will be going to the Commissioners Workshop in Kearney.

Chairman Culver stated the 10:00 a.m. agenda item has been removed from consideration today.

Tom Nielsen of Soarin' Group reported on IT information for Seward County. He said that he has been involved a lot with the Zuercher Project this past month.

Kathy Ruzicka, Aging Services Director, was present to ask for an exception to advertise and interview for a position in her office. Brea Ehmen, HR Director, was also in attendance and explained the situation that an employee briefly left her position with Aging Services and wants to return.

Moved by Mundhenke and seconded by Paulsen to approve the request by the Aging Services Director for an exception to advertise and interview for a new position.  
Affirmative Vote: Mundhenke, Paulsen, Vrbka, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Commissioner Schmieding is absent at 9:30 a.m.

Mark Smith of High Plains was present to discuss the Sunrise Road Box Culvert Project. Because the item was not sufficiently described on the agenda, the subject will be on the agenda next week.

Casey Keim, Highway Supt., brought an Agreement for a Beaver Crossing South project for the Commissioners consideration.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Paulsen to adopt Resolution No. 3453 in regard to authorizing the Chairman to sign 2 original copies of the Supplemental Task Order Agreement BRO-7748(1) Beaver Crossing South.

**RESOLUTION #3453  
NEPA SERVICES AGREEMENT – BK1708-01  
SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1**

WHEREAS: Seward County and HDR Engineering, Inc. have previously executed a preliminary engineering agreement for a transportation project for which the Local Public Agency (LPA) would like to obtain Federal funds;

WHEREAS: Seward County understands that it must continue to strictly follow all Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, policies and guidelines applicable to the funding of this Federal-aid project; and

WHEREAS: Seward County and HDR Engineering, Inc. wish to enter into a supplemental preliminary engineering services agreement setting out modifications and/or additional duties and/or funding responsibilities for the Federal-aid project.

Be it Resolved: by the Board of Commissioners of Seward County, Nebraska that:

John K. Culver, Chair of the Seward County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to sign the attached preliminary engineering services

Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between Seward County and HDR Engineering, Inc.

Seward County is committed to providing local funds for the project as required by the Project Program Agreement and any Supplemental Project Agreements.

NDOT Project Number: BRO-7748(1)  
NDOT Control number: 13363  
NDOT Project Description: Beaver Crossing South

Adopted this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019 at Seward Nebraska.

Moved by: Vrbka                      Seconded by: Paulsen              Absent: Schmieding  
Ayes: Robert Vrbka, Michael Mundhenke, Becky Paulsen, John K. Culver,  
Chair of the Board                      Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

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

The Commissioners recessed at 9:39 a.m.  
The Commissioners re-convened at 9:45 a.m.

Adam Jurgens of Hamilton Communications was present to give information about his IT company. He mentioned that he was able to look at equipment in some of the county buildings prior to the meeting. He asked what specific needs he can help with. Culver stated he would like to have a contract for total IT Support for Seward County. Currently, there is more than 1 provider providing service to Seward County. Jurgens stated that while looking at equipment, he was not allowed to look at servers at the Justice Center without first having a background check. Culver directed him to ask the Sheriff's Office to get a background check and look at the equipment in the Justice Center and report back.

Chairman Culver re-stated that the 10:00 a.m. item will not be considered.

Moved by Paulsen and seconded by Vrbka to authorize the Chairman to sign the Special Designated Liquor License for JUNTO LLC for an event on July 3, 2019.

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

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Mundhenke to authorize the Chairman to sign the Special Designated Liquor License for JUNTO LLC for an event on July 27, 2019.

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

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Paulsen to keep the same deductible for liability insurance through NIRMA at \$500 per incident.

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

Known items on the agenda for Board of Equalization on June 11, 2019 are as follows:

8:30 a.m.

1. Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discuss/Action - Approve minutes of May 28, 2019
4. Discuss/Action – Assessor Information Update

Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on June 11, 2019 are as follows:

9:00 a.m.

1. Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discuss/Action - Approve minutes of June 4, 2019

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

4. Discuss/Action - Public/Officials/Boards
  5. Commissioners Reports
  6. Discuss/Action – Accept County Clerk Fee Report for May 2019-\$39,989.75
  7. Discuss/Action – Agenda for June 18, 2019
- 9:15 a.m. Discuss/Action – Mark Smith/High Plains – Liquidated damages on Project C-80(617) Sunrise Road Box Culvert
- 9:30 am. Discuss/Action – Andrew Forney/DA Davidson – Information on Refinancing Detention Center Bonds
- 10:00 a.m. Discuss/Action – Shari Wurtz Miller/Blue Valley Community Action – Annual Report and request for Annual Support

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Mundhenke to adjourn at 10:19 a.m.

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

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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 11<sup>th</sup> day of June 2019.

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County Clerk

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Chairperson