

# June 9, 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 June 9, 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 June 9, 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 May 26, 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 June 16, 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 June 9, 2020

8:30 a.m. Discuss/Action – Protest Hearings

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Paulsen to adjourn at 8:48 a.m.  
Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Paulsen, Schmieding, 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 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020.

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County Clerk

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Chairperson

# June 9, 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 June 9, 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.

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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 Mundhenke and seconded by Vrbka to approve the minutes of June 2,2020.

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

Moved by Paulsen and seconded by Schmieding to approve the claims through May 29, 2020 as follows:

### SEWARD COUNTY CLAIMS THROUGH MAY 29, 2020

ACCURATE CONTROLS	SE	\$9,654.93	NIRMA	FE	\$266,714.00
ACE IRRIGATION & MFG	SU	\$2,200.00	NATIONAL SHERIFFS ASSOC	FE	\$129.00
ADVANCED OFFICE AUTOM	SE	\$187.77	NE REG INTEROPERABILITY	FE	\$2,400.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SE	\$608.20	NE ASSN OF CNTY OFFICIALS	FE	\$2,599.76
AMERICAN JAIL ASSOC	FE	\$100.00	NE ASSN OF TRANS PROV	FE	\$85.00
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	FE	\$16,506.36	NE EQUIPMENT INC	EQ	\$267.76
APPLIED CONCEPTS INC	FE	\$100.00	NE PUBLIC POWER DIST	UT	\$72.64
KENNETH PANKOKE	SE	\$357.69	NMC, INC	FE	\$273,900.00
BERRY LAW FIRM	SE	\$2,080.50	OFFICE DEPOT	SU	\$662.80
BLUE VALLEY BEHAV HLTH	SE	\$390.00	OFFICENET	SU	\$81.75
CAMPBELL CLEANING	SE	\$2,387.00	O'KEEFE ELEVATOR CO	SE	\$815.63
LANCASTER CO CHLD AD CENT	SE	\$4,625.00	ONESOURCE	SE	\$66.00
CITY OF SEWARD	UT	\$14,238.03	OREILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	SU	\$36.70
CNTR FOR PROF & CORP EXC	SE	\$350.00	ORKIN LLC	SE	\$111.78
CROSS AND SONS INC	SE	\$181.00	OVERHEAD DOOR CO	SE	\$213.00
CUMMINS SALES & SERVICE	SE	\$2,167.62	PEREZ INTERPRETING LLC	SE	\$100.00
DAVISSON FURNITURE CTR	SU	\$757.00	PLATTE VALLEY PRINTING	SE	\$349.98
DELL MARKETING L P	SE	\$4,271.59	POMP'S TIRE SERVICE	EQ	\$2,313.65
E 911	SE	\$35,685.58	POSITIVE CONCEPTS	SE	\$365.82
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SU	\$1,844.30	POSTMASTER	SU	\$150.00
AJ BURESH	SE	\$550.00	POWERPLAN	SE	\$1,122.41
FARMERS COOPERATIVE	SU	\$278.08	QUADIENET LEASING USA	SE	\$234.53
FASTENAL COMPANY	SU	\$1,260.13	REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY LAB	SE	\$37.50
FIRST WIRELESS, INC	UT	\$290.00	SENSTAR	SE	\$660.45
GALLS LLC	SE	\$149.95	SEWARD AGING SERVICES	SE	\$333.20
RONALD STACHURA	SE	\$175.00	SEWARD CO HLTH CLAIM FND	FE	\$228,664.13
GREAT PLAINS COMM	UT	\$857.95	SEWARD CO INDEPENDENT	SE	\$1,892.31
GWORCS	SE	\$7,875.00	SEWARD CO PUB TRANS	SE	\$18.00
HELMINK PRINTING	SE	\$32.00	SEWARD CO ROAD FUND	FE	\$447,068.00

HERPOLSHEIMERS INC	SE	\$202.72	SEWARD CO SINKING FUND	FE	\$3,100.00
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERV	SU	\$770.00	SEWARD LUMBER	SU	\$70.05
HOMETOWN LEASING	SE	\$74.35	SMPC, LLC	SE	\$2,281.80
HUSKER STEEL	SU	\$1,843.20	SOARIN GROUP, LLC	SE	\$6,060.00
INDOFF INC	SU	\$6,833.81	ST OF NE DAS COMM	FE	\$1,152.00
JEO CONSULTING GROUP	SE	\$300.00	NE DEPT OF CORR SERV	SE	\$2,226.64
JOHNSON SAND & GRAVEL	SU	\$8,236.48	SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC	SE	\$5,824.59
JONES BANK (FICA)	FE	\$7,042.42	TOP QUALITY GLOVES	SU	\$260.00
JUSTICE DATA SOLUTIONS	SE	\$2,300.00	TWIN RIVERS HEALTH CARE	SE	\$25.00
KONICA MINOLTA PREM FIN	FE	\$131.46	UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA	SE	\$8,148.56
LAUBER FUNERAL SERVICE	SE	\$540.00	UTICA AGING SERVICE	SE	\$99.40
LEE'S REFRIGERATION	SE	\$1,435.88	VERIZON CONNECT NWF	SE	\$756.70
MARLIN MATULKA	SE	\$498.55	VERIZON WIRELESS SERV	UT	\$2,322.69
MCKESSON MED SURG	SU	\$95.23	VILLAGE OF UTICA	SE	\$53.36
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES	SU	\$3.75	VISA	FE	\$126.80
MID-AMERICAN INS GRP	FE	\$38,454.35	WELLS FARGO FIN LEASING	SE	\$198.15
FREMAREK INC	SE	\$228.49	WINDSTREAM	UT	\$134.61
MILFORD AGING SERV	SE	\$119.70	SALARIES		\$250,477.60
MILLS & REITER	SE	\$316.00	GROSS SALARIES INCLUDED DEDUCTIONS TO:		
MIPS INC	SE	\$1,326.91	COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE		
MOTIVATE 2 COMMUNIC	SE	\$1,300.00	MID AMERICAN CO WISCONSIN		
DAN'S CUSTOM WORKS	SE	\$630.97	DELTA DENTAL		

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

Motion Carried

### **Commissioners Reports:**

Commissioner Mundhenke reported there was a lot of tree damage in Milford and checked roads.

Commissioner Vrbka reported he checked roads by Milford.

Commissioner Culver reported he received damage from the storm and checked roads. He also stated he participated in several conference calls, preparing for evaluations of appointed individuals.

Commissioner Paulsen reported she had a meeting with the City of Seward at the Road Dept. and worked on various correspondences.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he attended a Region V meeting and a SENDD meeting.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Mundhenke to appoint Dale Niemann to the Planning & Zoning Board.

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Mundhenke, Schmieding, Culver

Abstain: Paulsen as she is the Zoning Director

Motion Carried

The Commissioners discussed opening county facilities that were closed previously due to the coronavirus situation. It was reported that last Wednesday, the driver license examiners were here and although there was a line, things went well. Other nearby county facilities are not open yet, so the Treasurer's Office is anticipating being busy on Wednesdays in the near future until other facilities are open.

Chairman Culver suggested opening all doors of the Courthouse next Monday, June 15, 2020. He stated there are presently only 4 active cases of Covid 19 in Seward County so he feels opening to the public is a possibility. The Commissioners will ask each office to make a list of visitors to their office and will ask the Sheriff's posse to help for the month of June. All doors will be open as well as the public restrooms.

Moved by Schmieding and seconded by Mundhenke that the Seward County facilities be fully open to the public effective June 15, 2020 and each office log a list of those that come into their office.

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

Motion Carried

Maria Hatfield, Justice Center Director, was present to discuss the Accurate Service Contract for the Justice Center. She stated that in January 2022, the current contract will end and a new contract will need to be entered into at around \$65,000 for 3 years. She stated that it is for the whole Justice Center, not just the Jail portion, and thought the Commissioners should know about it so they can plan and budget for it.

The Commissioners discussed the location of the Farmers Market. Gary Rolf was present and participates in Farmers Market. The Farmers Market is usually on the courthouse square but due to the coronavirus and social distancing, Farmers Market is now at the parking lot of a local grocery store. He asked if, after the current coronavirus situation, the Commissioners would endorse the idea of the coming back to the Courthouse area. Commissioner Paulsen said it has been suggested that Farmers Market be on the street to the East of the courthouse building. She stated it would save the grass and would alleviate congestion. Eric Hofer, Building and Grounds Supt., endorsed the idea of having Farmers Market in the street. Clark Kolterman also spoke on the issue and said the current space is not working out and stated the courthouse square is the best place. No action was taken.

Terry Wicht, Highway Supt., brought several documents for the Commissioners consideration.

Moved by Paulsen and seconded by Schmieding to adopt Resolution No. 3521 in regard to leasing a mini excavator.

**RESOLUTION NO. 3521 OF THE  
SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, Seward County (the "Governmental Entity"), a body politic and corporate duly organized and existing as a political subdivision, municipal corporation or similar public entity of the State of Nebraska (the "State"), is authorized by the laws of the State to purchase, acquire and lease personal property for the benefit of the Governmental Entity and its inhabitants and to enter into contract with respect thereto; and

WHEREAS, In order to acquire such equipment, the Governmental Entity proposes to enter into a lease-purchase transaction pursuant to that certain Governmental Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement (the "Agreement") with Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation, the form of which has been presented to the governing body of the Governmental Entity at this meeting;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED;

Section 1. Approval of Documents. The form, terms and provisions of the Agreement and all other schedules and exhibits attached thereto are hereby approved in substantially the form presented at this meeting, with such insertions, omissions and changes as shall be approved by counsel of the Governmental Entity or other members of the governing body of the Governmental Entity executing the same, the execution of such documents being conclusive evidence of such approval; and the persons holding the titles listed below or any other officer of the Governmental Entity who shall have the power to execute contracts on its behalf are hereby authorized and directed to execute, acknowledge, countersign and deliver the Agreement and all exhibits attached thereto, and the Secretary/Clerk of the Governmental Entity is hereby authorized to attest to the foregoing and affix the seal of the Governmental Entity to such documents.

Section 2. Other Actions Authorized. The officers and employees of the Governmental Entity shall take all action necessary or reasonably required by the parties to the Agreement to carry out, give effect to and consummate the transactions contemplated thereby and to take all action necessary in conformity therewith, including, without limitation, the execution and delivery of any closing and other documents required to be delivered in connection with the Agreement.

Section 3. No General Liability. Nothing contained in this Resolution, the Agreement, or any other instrument shall be construed with respect to the Governmental Entity as incurring a pecuniary liability or charge upon the general credit of the Governmental Entity or against its taxing power, nor shall the breach of any agreement contained in

this Resolution, the Agreement, or any other instrument or document executed in connection therewith impose any pecuniary liability upon the Governmental Entity or any charge upon its general credit or against its taxing power, except to the extent that the payments payable under the Agreement are special limited obligations of the Governmental Entity as provided in the Agreement.

Section 4. Authorized Signatories. Following are the true names, correct titles and specimen signatures of the incumbent officers referred to in the foregoing resolution:

Adopted this 9th day of June, 2020 at Seward, Nebraska

The Board of Commissioners of Seward County

AYES: Robert Vrbka  
Mike Mundhenke  
Becky Paulsen  
Ken Schmieding  
John K. Culver

Board/County Member Paulsen  
Moved the adoption of said resolution  
Member Schmieding Seconded the Motion  
Roll Call: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstained 0 Absent  
Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

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

Moved by Schmieding and seconded by Vrbka to authorize the Chairman to sign a lease with Nebraska Machinery for a mini excavator.

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

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Mundhenke to adopt Resolution No. 3522 in regard to leasing a tractor with AKRS Solutions for \$4,500.00.

**RESOLUTION NO. 3522 OF THE  
SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, Seward County (the "Governmental Entity"), a body politic and corporate duly organized and existing as a political subdivision, municipal corporation or similar public entity of the State of Nebraska (the "State"), is authorized by the laws of the State to purchase, acquire and lease personal property for the benefit of the Governmental Entity and its inhabitants and to enter into contract with respect thereto; and

WHEREAS, In order to acquire such equipment, the Governmental Entity proposes to enter into a lease-purchase transaction pursuant to that certain Governmental Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement (the "Agreement") with Akrs Equipment Solutions, the form of which has been presented to the governing body of the Governmental Entity at this meeting;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED;

Section 1. Approval of Documents. The form, terms and provisions of the Agreement and all other schedules and exhibits attached thereto are hereby approved in substantially the form presented at this meeting, with such insertions, omissions and changes as shall be approved by counsel of the Governmental Entity or other members of the governing body of the Governmental Entity executing the same, the execution of such documents being conclusive evidence of such approval; and the persons holding the titles listed below or any other officer of the Governmental Entity who shall have the power to execute contracts on its behalf are hereby authorized and directed to execute, acknowledge, countersign and deliver the Agreement and all exhibits attached thereto,

and the Secretary/Clerk of the Governmental Entity is hereby authorized to attest to the foregoing and affix the seal of the Governmental Entity to such documents.

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The Board of Commissioners of Seward County

AYES: Ken Schmieding  
Becky Paulsen  
Mike Mundhenke  
Robert Vrbka  
John K. Culver

Board/County Member Vrbka  
Moved the adoption of said resolution  
Member Mundhenke Seconded the Motion  
Roll Call: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstained 0 Absent  
Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

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

Moved by Paulsen and seconded by Schmieding to authorize the Chairman to sign a lease with AKRS Solutions for a tractor.

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

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to accept the County Clerk's Fee Report for May 2020 in the amount of \$30,062.50.

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

The Executive Session was postponed.

**Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on June 16, 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 June 9, 2020

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

- 4. Discuss/Action - Public/Officials/Boards
- 5. Commissioners Reports
- 6. Discuss/Action – Accept the Clerk of the District Court Fee Report for May 2020 – \$1,122.75
- 7. Discuss/Action – General Discussion on County Operations due to Coronavirus
- 8. Discuss/Action – Agenda for June 23, 2020
- 9:15 a.m. Hearing – Amend the 2019-2020 Seward County Budget  
Discuss/Action – Res. – Amend the 2019-2020 Seward County Budget
- 9:30 a.m. Discuss/Action – Carmen Hinman/Hope Crisis Center – Annual Report and request for funding for 2020-2021 Fiscal Year
- 10:00 a.m. Discuss/Action – Options regarding East Seward St and East Seward Road Improvements to Goldenrod and Highway 34 Approach

Moved by Mundhenke and seconded by Vrbka to adjourn at 10:23 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Mundhenke, Vrbka, Paulsen, Schmieding, 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 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020.

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County Clerk

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Chairman