

# June 22, 2021

## 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 22, 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 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 22, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Chairperson: John Culver  
Members: Misty Ahmic, Bob Vrbka, Ken Schmieding, Darrell Zabrocki  
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 Zabrocki to approve the minutes of June 8, 2021.

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

Hladky then updated the Commissioners on activities of her office.

### **Known items on the agenda for Board of Equalization on July 13, 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 June 22, 2021
4. Discuss/Action – Assessor Information Update

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Ahmic to adjourn at 8:55 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Ahmic, Zabrocki, 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of July 2021.

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County Clerk

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Chairperson

# June 22, 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 June 22, 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.

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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 Zabrocki and seconded by Ahmic to approve the minutes of June 15, 2021.  
Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Ahmic, Schmieding, Vrbka, Culver

Moved by Ahmic and seconded by Vrbka to approve claims for the period through June 11, 2021.

### SEWARD COUNTY CLAIMS THROUGH JUNE 11, 2021

ADVANCED CORR HLTHCR	SE	\$4,439.57	SEW CO INDEPENDENT	SE	\$1,476.28
ADVANCED OFFICE AUTOM	SU	\$92.83	SEWARD CO PUB TRANS	SE	\$42.00
AFFORDAPROIT	SE	\$999.00	SEW CO SINKING FUND	FE	\$203,700.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERV	SU	\$690.51	SEWARD CO TREASURER	FE	\$110.00
AMERITAS LIFE INS	FE	\$17,028.90	SEWARD LUMBER	SU	\$31.78
ASI SIGNAGE INNOVATIONS	SU	\$158.00	SOCIETY FOR HR MGMT	FE	\$875.00
BLACK DIAMOND AUTO DET	SE	\$150.00	SITE ONE LANDSCAPE	SU	\$150.54
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UT	\$687.34	SMPC, LLC	EQ	\$11,256.40
BLUE VALLEY BEHAV HLTH	SE	\$390.00	SOARIN GROUP, LLC	SE	\$962.00
JENNIFER CIMPL BOHN	SE	\$2,992.50	SOFTWARE TECH	SU	\$569.00
CAPITAL CITY TRANSFER	SE	\$319.50	SPORTS EXPRESS	SU	\$1,317.50
CHARM-TEX	SE	\$288.70	ST OF NE DAS ST ACCNTNG	SE	\$591.64
CULLIGAN	SE	\$29.75	SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE	SE	\$7,379.87
JACK DANIEL	SE	\$84.00	THOMSON REUTERS	FE	\$667.80
DAVISSON FURNITURE	SU	\$529.95	TIME WARNER CABLE	UT	\$357.97
DEERE & COMPANY	EQ	\$4,662.27	TWIN RIVERS HLTH CR	SE	\$25.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SU	\$5,195.06	U.S. TREASURY	FE	\$505.46
EBERSPACHER, CURT	SE	\$84.00	UNIV OF NEB LINCOLN	SE	\$2,562.90
EGAN SUPPLY CO	SU	\$197.95	VAN DIEST SUPPLY CO	SU	\$1,178.00
EQUIFAX WORKFORCE	SE	\$139.95	VANGUARD APPRAISALS	SE	\$3,540.00
FARMERS COOP	SU	\$12,954.93	VERIZON CONNECT NWF	UT	\$834.69
FIRST WIRELESS, INC	UT	\$1,312.50	VERIZON WIRELESS SERV	UT	\$717.46
GALLS LLC	SE	\$125.32	VIRTUAL IMPRESSIONS	SE	\$20.00
GREAT PLAINS COMM	UT	\$628.95	VISA	FE	\$7,502.72
GWORKS	SE	\$24,081.32	WARNE CHEM & EQUIP	SU	\$215.10
HELMINK PRINTING	SU	\$714.00	WELLS FARGO FIN LEASING	SE	\$198.15
HERPOLSHEIMERS INC	SE	\$75.58	WINDSTREAM	UT	\$5,133.07
HOMETOWN LEASING	SE	\$75.50	SUE WURM, CRT REPORTER	SE	\$873.25
INDOFF INC	SU	\$332.88	WYTHERS LAW	SE	\$655.50
DON JIRSA	SE	\$67.20	YORK COUNTY EMA	SE	\$11.20

JONES AUTOMOTIVE	FE	\$22,624.54	KENNETH PANKOKE	SE	\$112.64
JONES BANK (FICA)	FE	\$17,587.03	CROSS AND SONS INC	SE	\$351.61
KIRBY ROTH INSURANCE	SE	\$100.00	FASTENAL COMPANY	SU	\$34.72
KOLN 10/11 NEWS	SE	\$1,995.00	HUSKER AUTO GROUP	SE	\$82.12
KONICA MINOLTA BUS SOL	SU	\$62.38	INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO	SU	\$476.31
KREMER, WENDY	SE	\$669.00	NEWMAN SIGNS, INC	SU	\$695.70
RYAN KRENK	SE	\$61.60	NEXTLINK AIS	SE	\$74.99
LANCASTER CO SHERIFF	SE	\$26.36	NMC, INC	FE	\$331,519.56
LEE'S REFRIGERATION	SE	\$2,124.81	NORRIS PUB POW DIST	UT	\$946.13
LEVANDERS BODY SHOP	SE	\$700.31	OSCEOLA IMPLEMENT	SU	\$218.43
LIFEGUARD MD, INC	SU	\$77.00	PAC N SAVE	SU	\$186.67
MCKESSON MED SURG	SU	\$160.15	RDO TRUCK CENTERS	SE	\$5,718.05
SUE MEDINGER	SE	\$53.20	SAPP BROS PETROLEUM	SU	\$39,365.49
MEMORIAL CLINIC	SE	\$318.70	SEWARD ELECTRONICS	SU	\$10.80
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	SE	\$104.00	SHAFFER COMM	SE	\$170.45
MERLES GARDEN CENTER	SU	\$237.64	SPECIAL ROAD FUND	FE	\$618,616.00
MID-AMERICAN INS GRP	FE	\$42,328.28	TOTAL TOOL SUPPLY	SU	\$429.00
MIDWEST AUTO PARTS	SU	\$142.67	VILLAGE OF GARLAND	UT	\$49.13
MIDWEST OFFICE AUTOM	SU	\$39.99	GEHRING CONST	SU	\$8,865.58
MIDWEST SERVICE	SE	\$5,945.27	MOTOROLA	UT	\$32,130.00
MILLS & REITER	SU	\$840.75	NEBRASKA TRAVEL ASSOC	FE	\$230.00
NIRMA	FE	\$262,823.00	RED PATH GALLERY	FE	\$60.00
NATL ASSN EXT 4H YTH DEV	FE	\$850.00	DELTA DENTAL OF NEB	FE	\$29.97
NE ASSN OF CO EXT BOARD	FE	\$100.00	VISION SERVICE PLAN INS	FE	\$23.29
NE HHS SYSTEMS	SE	\$93.00	LAACKE & JOYS COMPANY	SU	\$10,267.40
NE PUB HLTH ENV LB	SE	\$420.00	ART ON DISPLAY	FE	\$814.00
NE SECRETARY OF STATE	FE	\$30.00	JONES BANK	FE	\$100.00
NE WEED CONTROL ASSN	FE	\$145.00	KIESLER POLICE SUPPLY	SU	\$966.00
DALE NIEMANN	SE	\$40.32	SHINETECH SOFTWARE	SU	\$2,673.00
OFFICENET	SU	\$2,257.18	TRANSUNION	FE	\$451.70
OREILLY AUTOMOTIVE	SU	\$1,501.88	WAHLTEK	FE	\$34,400.00
OTOE COUNTY SHERIFF	SE	\$18.50	WESTERN OIL II	SU	\$879.19
PAPER TIGER SHREDDING	SE	\$65.00	LINDNER PAINTING	SE	\$59,034.00
PETTY CASH FUND	FE	\$108.00	PICTOMETRY INTL	SE	\$27,020.00
PLANET TECHNOLOGIES	SE	\$15,206.40	GEOCOMM INC	SE	\$1,011.00
POSTMASTER	SU	\$300.00	E911 SET ASIDE FUND	FE	\$16,600.00
QUADIENT, INC	SU	\$234.53	ENCARTELE INC	SE	\$2,840.78
QUILL CORPORATION	SU	\$598.06	SALARIES		\$250,121.09
RAMADA NORTH PLATTE	TR	\$178.00	GROSS SALARIES INCLUDE DEDUCTIONS TO:		
MACHO PRODUCTS, INC	SU	\$1,035.94	COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE		
REDWOOD TOX LAB	SE	\$37.50	MID AMERICAN WISCONSIN		
REGION V SERVICES	SE	\$2,484.58	DELTA DENTAL		
ZOE RICHERT	SE	\$112.00	VSP VISION		
SEWARD CO COURT	SE	\$482.75	WADDELL & REED		
SEW CO HLTH CLM FND	FE	\$171,296.90			

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

Motion Carried

Sherry Schweitzer gave information about a WebEx concerning the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

### **Commissioners Reports:**

Commissioner Ahmic reported she has been in contact with Burlington Northern Railroad and Nebraska Dept. of Transportation about a railroad crossing, received calls from constituents and about ARPA, checked roads, met with the Zoning Administrator, attended a Seward County Chamber & Development Partnership meeting, a Planning Commission meeting and will have a meeting with Four Corners Health District.

Commissioner Vrbka reported he attended a Fair Board meeting, received calls from constituents and researched an issue with cameras in courthouse.

Commissioner Culver reported he attended a Blue Valley Community Action meeting, a Solid Waste Management meeting, received calls from constituents, and received comments on the recent Juneteenth holiday declaration.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he has been in contact with the Building & Grounds Supt.

Commissioner Zabrocki reported he attended a Seward City Council meeting, a 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee meeting, a Planning Commission meeting, an emergency 911 Board meeting, sat in on interviews for lead dispatchers, and met with the Highway Supt.

Terry Wicht, Highway Supt., was present for discussion of trailer bids and leases for equipment.

He recommended purchasing the heavy-duty triple-axle trailer from RDO for \$83,175.00. He felt the triple axle was needed to haul the heavy equipment of the Road Dept.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to award the bid for the heavy-duty triple-axle trailer to RDO for \$83,175.00

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

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Ahmic to authorize the Chairman to sign the annual mini excavator lease from Nebraska Machinery Equipment.

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

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to authorize the Chairman sign the John Deere Tractor Lease with AKRS Equipment.

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

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Culver to adopt Resolution No. 3606 in regard to the 30/30 Land Conservation Plan.

RESOLUTION No. 3606 OF THE  
SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2021, the Biden Administration issued Executive Order 14008 also known as the 30 x 30 plan directing the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of Agriculture, and other senior officials to “conserve” at least 30% of all lands and waters within the United States by the year 2030;

WHEREAS, there is no constitutional or statutory authority for the President, the U.S. Department of the Interior, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, or any other federal agency to set aside and permanently conserve 30 percent of all land and water in the United States, and no authority is referenced in Executive Order 14008;

WHEREAS, Congress never delegated authority to the President or executive agencies to unilaterally change the policies governing land use in America;

WHEREAS, Section 216 of Executive Order 14008 is a clear overreach of executive authority, which infringes on the sovereignty of the states and rights of the citizens;

WHEREAS, Congress has specifically directed the federal executive branch through the Federal Land Use Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), 43 U.S.C. §§ 1701 – 1787, the National Forest Management Act of 1976 (NFMA), 16 U.S.C. §§ 1600 – 1614, the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321 – 4370e, and other laws to coordinate land management plans and policies with states and their local governments and tribes;

WHEREAS, since the issuance of Executive Order 14008 the Biden Administration has failed to exercise any of the consultation and coordination responsibilities required by these statutes and by the very provisions of the Executive Order 14008;

WHEREAS, State, agriculture stakeholders and private landowners have been excluded from any portion of the process of Executive Order 14008;



RESOLUTION No. 3607 OF THE  
SEWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 as prepared by Sherry Schweitzer, Budget Making Authority, was adopted on September 1, 2020 by Resolution # 3534, and

WHEREAS the Seward County Board of Commissioners desire to amend the budget due to insufficient funds in Fund 2412 – Sheriff Federal Drug Law Enforcement Fund – Treasury and the Seward County Health Claim Fund. No additional tax monies are needed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

by the Board of Commissioners of Seward, County, Nebraska as follows:

SECTION 1. That the budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, as categorically evidenced by the Budget Document be, and the same hereby is amended as the Budget for Seward County for said fiscal year.

SECTION 2. That the offices, departments, activities and institutions herein named are hereby authorized to expend the amounts herein appropriated to them during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021.

SECTION 3. That the income necessary to finance the appropriations made and expenditures authorized shall be provided out of the unencumbered cash balance in each fund, revenues other than taxation to be collected during the fiscal year in each fund, and tax levy requirements for each fund.

Dated this 22nd day of June 2021.

Moved by: Zabrocki                      Seconded b: Ahmic                      06/22/21  
Ayes: Robert Vrbka, Misty Ahmic, Darrell J. Zabrocki, Ken Schmieding,  
John K. Culver, Chair of the Board  
Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

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

Motion Carried

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Ahmic to adopt Resolution No. 3608 in regard to confirm the County Treasurer's Pooled Account and that funds within the Pooled account are designated investments.

Resolution No. 3608 of the  
Seward County Board of Commissioners

WHEREAS, Seward County has had designated investments for a matter of years which earned interest accruing to each designated fund. This was called the pooled account. Whereas, this County Board has approved the pooled account in the past, and

Whereas, the State Auditor recommended this be done on a yearly basis.

Therefore, be it Resolved that this County Board recommends the pooled account consisting of Seward Middle School, Seward Rural Fire Sinking Fund, Seward Airport Bond Fund, City of Milford Debt Service Fund, City of Seward General and Debt Service Funds, and Centennial School Bond Fund continue as designated investments within the pooled account.

Date: June 22, 2021

Moved by: Vrbka                      Seconded by: Ahmic                      06/22/2021  
Ayes: Robert Vrbka, Misty Ahmic, Darrell J. Zabrocki, Ken Schmieding,  
John K. Culver, Chair of the Board  
Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk

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

Maria Hatfield, Detention Center Director, and Carina Sanchez, HR Director, were present to give information about Hatfield's request for a payout for overtime vs. comp accumulation for Detention Center Employees. She stated she has some employees that are over 100 hours of overtime and suggested several ways that the problem could be addressed. Discussion of paying off a portion of the comp time or all of the comp time was discussed as well as accumulating comp time and capping it and then paying out any overtime over that cap. The Personnel Policy will be looked at by those involved and brought back to the Board at a later date.

Eric Hofer, Building & Grounds Superintendent, was present to discuss cleaning in the courthouse. He obtained three quotes and suggested going with the lowest bid of \$1,500/month from Campbell's Cleaning.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Ahmic to approve hiring Campbell's Cleaning at \$1,500/month for the cleaning of the courthouse.

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

The Commissioners discussed the East Seward Street Project. Commissioner Zabrocki led discussion on the issue and provided an estimate of the cost which was listed at \$620,364.00. The City of Seward suggested that the County and City should share the cost 50/50. The city has already engineered it which included storm sewers and lighting which the County would not be interested in paying for. Zabrocki stated he felt the city would benefit more from the project and would probably annex the road after it was paid for. It was suggested offering a certain amount and not a percentage share.

**Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on June 29, 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 June 22, 2021

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

4. Commissioners Reports
5. Discuss/Action – Public/Officials/Boards
6. Discuss/Action – Res.- Overage of Budget for District Judge
7. Discuss/Action – Review of 911 Budget
8. Discuss/Action – Agenda for July 6, 2021

9:15 a.m. Discuss/Action – Megan Kahler/BRIDGES-Annual Report and Request for Funding for 2021-2022 Fiscal Year

9:30 a.m. Discuss/Action – Sherry Wurtz-Miller/Blue Valley Community Action – Annual Report and Request for Funding for 2021-2022 Fiscal Year

9:45 a.m. Discuss/Action – Jonathan Jank/Seward County Chamber & Development Partnership- Annual Report and Request for Funding for 2021-2022 Fiscal Year

10:00 a.m. Public Hearing – Adopt all 2018 Revised Addition of Nebraska International Building Codes in adherence to the Nebraska State law of Requirements and

Regulations IEBC – International Existing Code 2018-IBC; International Building Code 2018-IRC; International Residential Code 2018-IPC; International Plumbing Code 2018-IFC; International Fire Code 2018; International Mechanical Code 2018-IPSDC; International Plumbing and Sewage Disposal Code-IECC; International Energy Conservation Code 2018-IFGC; International Fuel and Gas Codes

Discuss/Action – Res. - Adopt all 2018 Revised Addition of Nebraska International Building Codes in adherence to the Nebraska State law of Requirements and Regulations IEBC – International Existing Code 2018-IBC; International Building Code 2018-IRC; International Residential Code 2018-IPC; International Plumbing Code 2018-IFC; International Fire Code 2018; International Mechanical Code 2018-IPSDC; International Plumbing and Sewage Disposal Code-IECC; International Energy Conservation Code 2018-IFGC; International Fuel and Gas Codes

Discuss/Action – Change addresses for Units 10-50 at 1566 210<sup>th</sup> Road and Units 10-40 at 1901 140<sup>th</sup> Road

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to adjourn at 10:38 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Zabrocki, Ahmic, 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 29<sup>th</sup> day of June 2021.

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County Clerk

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Chairman