

March 29, 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 9:00 a.m. on March 29, 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 March 29, 2022 at 9:00 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.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to approve the minutes of March 22, 2022
Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Zabrocki, Ahmic, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Ahmic to approve claims for the period through March 18, 2022.

SEWARD COUNTY CLAIMS THROUGH MARCH 18, 2022

ADP LLC	SE	\$2,770.40	RONNIE HERROLD	SE	\$325.00
ADVANCED OFFICE AUTOM	SU	\$384.35	EUGENE HINZE	SE	\$500.00
ALL MAKES OFFICE EQUIP	SU	\$1,075.74	ADAM HLADKY	SE	\$150.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERV	SE	\$330.78	TAYLER HOFFMAN	SE	\$500.00
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	FE	\$17,963.23	COLTON HOOD	SE	\$375.00
ASHI & 24-7 EMS REMITT	FE	\$140.00	JAMES HOOD	SE	\$475.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UT	\$3,677.45	MATTHEW HOWE	SE	\$500.00
BLUE VALLEY BEHAV HLTH	SE	\$292.50	TYLOR JAMISON	SE	\$500.00
BLUESTEM NETWORK	UT	\$110.00	JASON JARZYNKA	SE	\$150.00
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYS	SU	\$29.87	LANCE JARZYNKA	SE	\$500.00
CHARM-TEX	SU	\$97.80	AUDRA JENSEN	SE	\$250.00
CLIA LAB PROGRAM	SE	\$180.00	DAVID JIROVSKY	SE	\$100.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SU	\$747.58	BRADY JOHNSON	SE	\$475.00
EQUIFAX WRKFRC/TALX	SE	\$289.92	BRIAN JOHNSON	SE	\$500.00
FARMERS COOP	SU	\$13,530.18	TRAVIS KEILIG	SE	\$500.00
SIDNEY FREY	SE	\$25.67	NATE KELLER	SE	\$300.00
GREAT PLAINS COMM	UT	\$883.85	JAMES KIMSEY	SE	\$500.00
HERPOLSHEIMERS	SE	\$1,605.66	LISA KIMSEY	SE	\$325.00
JONES AUTOMOTIVE	FE	\$84.86	SHAWN KITZING	SE	\$500.00
JONES BANK (FICA)	FE	\$18,029.68	JASON KLUG	SE	\$375.00
LAUBER FUNERAL SERV	SE	\$500.00	JAMIE KNISLEY	SE	\$250.00
LEE'S REFRIGERATION	SE	\$3,741.78	ALEX KOHOUT	SE	\$500.00
MEMORIAL CLINIC	SE	\$77.00	BENJAMIN KOSKI	SE	\$375.00
MIDWEST SPECIAL SERV	SE	\$1,877.60	JONATHAN KOSKI	SE	\$500.00
NE ASSN OF CO OFFICIALS	FE	\$35.00	JAMES KOUMA	SE	\$325.00
NE HLTH & HUMAN SERV	SE	\$84.00	THOMAS KOUMA	SE	\$175.00
NEB STATE FIRE MARSHAL	SE	\$122.00	ROBERT KOZISEK	SE	\$150.00
NE WEED CONTROL ASSN	FE	\$135.00	BYRON KRAUS	SE	\$500.00
PEREZ INTERPRETING	SE	\$200.00	SARAH KRAUS	SE	\$275.00
PETTY CASH FUND	FE	\$1,180.80	KRIS KREUTZER	SE	\$500.00
PHYSICIANS LAB SERV	SE	\$2,225.00	MARK KREUTZER	SE	\$500.00

PLATTE VALLEY PRINTING	SU	\$213.99	KELLY KUMM	SE	\$200.00
RAMADA COLUMBUS	TR	\$95.00	MICHAEL LANGENBERG	SE	\$300.00
REDIGER AUTOMOTIVE	SE	\$152.03	CONNIE LANGUEIN	SE	\$500.00
REGION V SERVICES	SE	\$2,484.58	LANCE LARSEN	SE	\$175.00
SECRETARY OF STATE	FE	\$40.00	LARS LARSEN	SE	\$100.00
SEWARD CO INDEPENDENT	SE	\$4.91	LAWRENCE LAWTON	SE	\$475.00
SEWARD CO ROAD FND	FE	\$400,000.00	CHARLES LUEBBE	SE	\$500.00
SOARIN GROUP, LLC	SE	\$1,313.97	MIKE LUEBBE	SE	\$500.00
SPARETIME	SU	\$75.52	CORY MADSEN	SE	\$500.00
ST OF NE DAS STATE ACCNTNG	SE	\$694.00	BROCK MALOY	SE	\$500.00
STRATEGIC PSYCH SERV	SE	\$1,567.50	JEREMY MAY	SE	\$300.00
SUMMIT FOOD SERV	SE	\$5,616.13	JESSE MEINBERG	SE	\$500.00
TELMATE LLC	SE	\$76.00	JOHN MELENA JR	SE	\$500.00
THOMSON REUTERS	FE	\$623.58	MATTHEW MEYER	SE	\$125.00
UNIVERSITY OF NEB	FE	\$1,200.00	ROBERT E MEYER	SE	\$200.00
VALENTINO'S SEWARD	SE	\$49.18	ROGER MICHAELIS	SE	\$500.00
VERIZON CONNECT NWF	SE	\$834.69	MATTHEW MILLER	SE	\$150.00
VERIZON WIRELESS SERV	UT	\$1,011.97	BRITTANY MINNEHAN	SE	\$450.00
VIRTUAL IMPRESSIONS INC	SE	\$20.00	MICHAEL MINNEHAN	SE	\$500.00
VISA	FE	\$4,477.13	DANIEL MOLSEN	SE	\$500.00
VOSS LIGHTING	SE	\$811.50	DIANE MONTOYA	SE	\$125.00
WARNE CHEM & EQUIP	SU	\$199.58	KAREN MUNDHENKE	SE	\$25.00
WINDSTREAM	UT	\$4,762.85	SHAWN NAGEL	SE	\$375.00
WYTHERS LAW	SE	\$1,997.00	JEFFREY NEIHARDT	SE	\$500.00
GRAINGER	SU	\$37.54	BRYAN NIEBRUGGE	SE	\$425.00
GWORCS	SE	\$1,260.00	KELBY NITZ	SE	\$350.00
MAINELLI WAGNER & ASSOC	SE	\$17,781.98	MAXWELL NORDMEYER	SE	\$100.00
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES	SU	\$70.00	CODY NUTTLEMAN	SE	\$500.00
NORRIS PUB POW DIST	UT	\$1,393.00	KENT OLSEN	SE	\$75.00
ROCKMOUNT RESEARCH	SE	\$262.22	CLINTON OSTRANDER	SE	\$500.00
SACK LUMBER	SU	\$23.99	COLEMAN OUTHET	SE	\$450.00
TRUCK CENTER CO	SE	\$170.90	RYAN PAVLISH	SE	\$100.00
TRUCK EQUIP SERVICE	SE	\$73.72	DAREL PETERSEN	SE	\$150.00
FOXSTER OPCO. LLC	EQ	\$6,570.00	SCOTT PETERSEN	SE	\$500.00
SEWARD CO AG SOCIETY	FE	\$80.00	BRIAN PETHOUD	SE	\$425.00
VANGUARD APPRAISALS	SE	\$1,072.50	MARISSA PFILE	SE	\$500.00
SEWARD CO HLTH CLM FND	FE	\$111,919.67	MICHAEL PFLUGHAUPT	SE	\$100.00
INK ALLEY	SU	\$416.00	TROY PICKERILL	SE	\$500.00
JONES BANK	SE	\$100.00	DUSTIN PIENING	SE	\$200.00
MEYER AUTOMOTIVE	SE	\$542.78	JONATHAN PIENING	SE	\$250.00
WESTERN OIL II LLC	FE	\$162.37	TREVOR PIENING	SE	\$125.00
AXON ENTERPRISES	EQ	\$14,961.00	TYLER PIENING	SE	\$200.00
THE CHANGE CO	SE	\$774.00	ZACHARY PILFOLD	SE	\$500.00
JEFFREY ADAMS	SE	\$50.00	TREVOR PLESSEL	SE	\$500.00
BRANDON ALLEN	SE	\$500.00	JAMES PLIEFKE	SE	\$500.00
RYAN ARBOGAST	SE	\$500.00	TRAVIS POLLACK	SE	\$300.00
KENT AUMAN	SE	\$500.00	CODY POLLAK	SE	\$500.00
JAMES AVERY	SE	\$350.00	AMY PROCHASKA	SE	\$275.00
AJIT BAPAT	SE	\$50.00	JOSIE PROPST-SCHOLL	SE	\$100.00
JERRY JOHN BAPAT	SE	\$150.00	JON PROPST	SE	\$400.00
BRIAN BARNES	SE	\$250.00	STEVEN RHODES	SE	\$75.00
CHARLES BARNES	SE	\$25.00	WESLEY RHODES	SE	\$450.00
TOBY BECKMANN	SE	\$500.00	RICHARD RICENBAW	SE	\$125.00
SHAUN BENEDICT	SE	\$200.00	ETHAN RICHTER	SE	\$300.00
JACOB BENNETT	SE	\$500.00	DEBRA ROBOTHAM	SE	\$375.00
MITCHEL BENNETT	SE	\$500.00	CODY ROHRIG	SE	\$500.00
RAY BESSE	SE	\$50.00	RYAN ROTH	SE	\$500.00
CLINTON BIALAS	SE	\$500.00	JERRY ROTSCHAFFER	SE	\$400.00
HEATHER BLACK	SE	\$500.00	AMANDA SCHAEFER	SE	\$500.00
JEFFREY BLACK	SE	\$500.00	BRANDON SCHAEFER	SE	\$500.00
NICHOLAS BLAIR	SE	\$500.00	GEORGE SCHAEFER JR	SE	\$500.00
DUSTIN BLECHA	SE	\$500.00	JASON SCHAEFER	SE	\$475.00
TREY BRANDENBURGH	SE	\$500.00	SETH SCHAEFER	SE	\$500.00
WILLIAM BRAUER	SE	\$275.00	THOMAS SCHAEFER	SE	\$500.00
LUCAS BRETTMANN	SE	\$125.00	DAVID SCHOLL	SE	\$150.00
MICHAEL BRIDGFORD	SE	\$500.00	TERRI SCHRAD	SE	\$500.00
SHAWN BRINEY	SE	\$500.00	JENSEN SCHULZ	SE	\$500.00
DUANE BROEKER	SE	\$125.00	JON SCHULZ	SE	\$500.00
MITCHELL BROMWICH	SE	\$150.00	STUART SCHWEITZER	SE	\$500.00
RODNEY BROMWICH	SE	\$500.00	JEREMY SEFFRON	SE	\$500.00

DANIEL BRUMM	SE	\$500.00	BEN SHEEHAN	SE	\$450.00
TJ BUCHLI	SE	\$500.00	MICHAEL SHEEHAN	SE	\$125.00
DUANE BURD	SE	\$125.00	SHALENE SHEPARD	SE	\$500.00
CHRISTOPHER BUTZKE	SE	\$500.00	DANIELLE SHIPLEY	SE	\$275.00
ROBIN BUTZKE	SE	\$500.00	ADAM SIMMERMAN	SE	\$500.00
JOSEPH CARDER	SE	\$500.00	LANETTE SIMMERMAN	SE	\$500.00
JOSE CASTILLO JR	SE	\$225.00	JOHN SINGLETON	SE	\$250.00
BECKY CLARK	SE	\$500.00	MALISSA SITTLER	SE	\$400.00
JACKSON CLASSEN	SE	\$25.00	SHERRI SLACK	SE	\$325.00
TIMOTHY CLASSEN	SE	\$200.00	TAMMY SLADEK	SE	\$325.00
HARVEY COOL	SE	\$50.00	KENT SMETTER	SE	\$375.00
JACKIE CORNER	SE	\$500.00	TRAVIS SOUKUP	SE	\$50.00
ROBERT CORNER	SE	\$275.00	ROBERT STAKES	SE	\$25.00
JEREMY CRAIG	SE	\$375.00	DELTON STAUFFER	SE	\$225.00
RICHARD CRAIG	SE	\$250.00	RICHARD STECKLY	SE	\$350.00
IRWIN CRAWFORD	SE	\$275.00	SHANNON STECKLY	SE	\$500.00
WILLIAM CRONQUIST	SE	\$500.00	COLETTE STELLING	SE	\$375.00
JORDAN CROSS	SE	\$500.00	JAY STELLING	SE	\$500.00
HARLAN DANKERS	SE	\$500.00	MARK STEVENS	SE	\$500.00
MICHAEL DANKERS	SE	\$500.00	TIMOTHY STEWART	SE	\$500.00
NICHOLAS DANKERS	SE	\$500.00	AARON STINSON	SE	\$500.00
WAYLON DELONG	SE	\$250.00	AUSTIN STINSON	SE	\$275.00
CURTIS DEREMER	SE	\$500.00	WAYNE STOHLMANN	SE	\$500.00
WILLIAM DEREMER	SE	\$400.00	TYLER STRONG	SE	\$500.00
TYLER DICKINSON	SE	\$500.00	AMANDA STRUBLE	SE	\$500.00
JEREMY DINGES	SE	\$500.00	JOSHUA STRUBLE	SE	\$375.00
LANDON DIRKS	SE	\$500.00	MICHAEL STUTZMAN	SE	\$500.00
ALEXANDER DODSON	SE	\$500.00	MARK SUHR	SE	\$500.00
SHERI DOUGLAS	SE	\$150.00	THOMAS SUHR	SE	\$500.00
GARY DOUTHIT	SE	\$75.00	TAMI SVEHLA	SE	\$375.00
BLAKE DUE	SE	\$75.00	JASON SWERCZEK	SE	\$500.00
TRAVIS DUE	SE	\$75.00	BRENT TEMPEL	SE	\$500.00
PAUL DUER	SE	\$500.00	LESLIE THOMAS	SE	\$425.00
DARRELL EASTIN	SE	\$25.00	LEROY TREASE	SE	\$500.00
DELAYNE EBERSPACHER	SE	\$100.00	DAVID ULRICH	SE	\$500.00
HEATHER EBERSPACHER	SE	\$100.00	AARON VANANDEL	SE	\$200.00
NATHANIEL EMONS	SE	\$75.00	JAMES VANCE	SE	\$500.00
RONALD ERB	SE	\$200.00	JOHN J VANCE	SE	\$500.00
KYLE FASTENAU	SE	\$175.00	ROBERT VIGER JR	SE	\$400.00
JAMISON FERN	SE	\$100.00	EUGENE WAGENKNECHT	SE	\$500.00
ANDREW FICKE	SE	\$500.00	NICOLE WEGMAN	SE	\$500.00
DAVID FICKE	SE	\$50.00	COLTON WEHRS	SE	\$500.00
IAN FINKBEINER	SE	\$175.00	DAVID WESLEY	SE	\$500.00
TRAVIS FOUGERON	SE	\$500.00	CRAIG WOLF	SE	\$475.00
BRADLEY FREEMAN	SE	\$425.00	COLBY YEACKLEY	SE	\$500.00
ADAM FRITZ	SE	\$375.00	ANDREW YODER	SE	\$500.00
CALE GIERHAN	SE	\$100.00	DERREK YODER	SE	\$500.00
TYLER GINGERICH	SE	\$500.00	BRIAN ZASTROW	SE	\$125.00
BONNIE GRANTSKI	SE	\$450.00	GERALD ZIEG	SE	\$500.00
GARY GRANTSKI	SE	\$400.00	JEO CONSULTING	SE	\$4,405.00
TRAVIS GRANTSKI	SE	\$500.00	NE EMERG SERV COMM ASSN	FE	\$150.00
ALEXANDER J HANSEN	SE	\$175.00	ST OF NE DAS COMM	SE	\$704.00
CHEVY HANSEN	SE	\$100.00	SALARIES		\$260,982.79
JEFFERY HANSEN	SE	\$50.00	GROSS SALARIES INCLUDE DEDUCTIONS TO:		
PHILLIP HARGIS	SE	\$500.00	COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE		
JESSE HARTSHORN	SE	\$500.00	MID AMERICAN CO WISCONSIN		
JUSTIN HEMPHILL	SE	\$225.00	DELTA DENTAL		
MARK HENNING	SE	\$500.00	VSP VISION		
DUSTIN HERROLD	SE	\$500.00	WADDELL & REED		
KEVIN HERROLD	SE	\$250.00			

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

Motion Carried

Those officials speaking during this time was Sherry Schweitzer, County Clerk. She informed the Board about a special election that may occur because of the recent information about the resignation of the U.S. Representative of the 1st District.

Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Ahmic reported she reviewed the latest news about the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and sent some information to other entities, went to Beatrice for an event, spoke with a JEO Consulting Group representative about changes to the proposed newly comprehensive plan, worked with HR on website changes, and talked with a Sixpence representative about the Chalk the Walk event they are having on sidewalks around the courthouse.

Commissioner Vrbka reported he worked on some road issues and reminded other members of the Board of a snow storm that happened this current week many years ago.

Commissioner Culver talked to constituents about complaints in regard to road issues, attended the Seward/Saline Solid Waste Management Agency meeting, and received a request about ARPA.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he attended a retreat in Goehner for the Visitors Committee. He also attended a Concordia luncheon, visited with the SENDD representative and received calls about the East Seward Street project.

Commissioner Zabrocki reported he received a call from ALLO concerning ARPA funds. He also attended the Southeast Nebraska Association of County Officials meeting last Friday.

Terry Wicht, Highway Supt., gave information about a Supplemental Agreement he is asking the Commissioners to sign involving a Project Northwest of Seward.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to adopt Resolution No. 3677 in regard to authorizing the Chairman to sign the Supplemental Agreement No. 3 for BRO-7080(54) Northwest of Seward.

**RESOLUTION
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AGREEMENT – BK1709
SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 3
SEWARD COUNTY
Resolution No. 3677**

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

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 Environmental 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 Culver, Chair of the Seward County Board of Commissioners, is hereby authorized to sign the attached Environmental Services Supplemental Agreement No. 3 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-7080(54)
NDOT: Control Number: 13362
NDOT Project Description: Northwest of Seward

Adopted this 29th day of March, 2022 at Seward Nebraska.

The Board of Commissioners of Seward County, Nebraska:

Robert Vrbka, Misty Ahmic, Ken Schmieding, Darrell J. Zabrocki
John K. Culver, Chair of the Board

Board/Council Member Vrbka
Moved the adoption of said resolution
Member Zabrocki Seconded the Motion
Roll Call: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstained 0 Abstain
Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted

Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, County Clerk

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

Carina Sanchez, HR Director, was present to discuss an employee who is on FMLA and has requested the County to consider paying for her health insurance which would be repaid to the County on a payment plan.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Ahmic to approve paying the employee share of Health Insurance Premium for the month of April 2022 for employee # 0047 who is currently on unpaid FMLA.

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

Moved by Schmieding and seconded by Vrbka to approve for Employee # 0047 to set up a payment plan to reimburse Seward County for the April 2022 Health Insurance Premium.

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

Ahmic led discussion on the agenda item regarding E911 Addressing for Rural Subdivisions. Last week, formal changes were made for addresses in some rural subdivisions from "Unit #" to an actual road address in place of using the Unit #. Ahmic asked if communication should be sent out to others that live in the rural subdivisions of the option to change. They also discussed the cost of new signs and decided the cost for new signs will be borne by the county.

The Commissioners then discussed the Grievance Policy. They went through the draft that Deputy County Attorney Barb Armstead had provided. There was discussion and edits were made about the various parts of the policy and the bylaws.

Discussion was held about the TKE Elevator Contract for the elevators in the Justice Center and the Courthouse. Armstead stated she was not particularly fond of some of the stipulations in the contract. She was instructed to contact the company and see if changes can be made.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Ahmic to award the bid for the mowing of the Seward County Abandoned Cemeteries to GREENR-UP LAWNCARE, LLC in the amount of \$700.00 per mowing.

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

Moved by Ahmic and seconded by Zabrocki to authorize the credit limit of \$8,000.00 for the Detention Center credit card #4959, effectively immediately through July 15, 2022.

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

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to authorize the Chairman to sign two agreements with the Village of Cordova in regard to using county ARPA funds.

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

The Commissioners discussed ARPA. Ahmic stated the payments for the public responders were processed this claims period. Zabrocki stated he had received a letter from ALLO Communications which stated they are going to put a hub in the City of Seward and want to lease a piece of property for this hub. Also, Vrbka will reach out to the Village of Utica to see if they have any projects for which they want to apply for County ARPA funds.

Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on April 5, 2022 are as follows:

8:30 a.m.

1. Convene and announce Open Meetings Law
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discuss/Action – Public/Officials/Boards
4. Discuss/Action - Approve minutes of March 29, 2022

Other Business Matters to Address When Time Allows

5. Commissioners Reports
6. Discuss/Action – Special Designated Liquor License for the Libertarian Party for an event on June 4, 2022
7. Discuss/Action – Disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds
8. Discuss/Action – Agenda for April 12, 2022

9:00 a.m. Discuss/Action – Update on IT Security with Soarin’ including a presentation for multi-factor authentication

Moved by Schmieding and seconded by Vrbka to adjourn at 10:46 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Schmieding Vrbka Zabrocki Ahmic Culver

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 5th day of April 2022.

County Clerk

Chairperson