

May 14, 2019

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 May 14, 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 Equalization convened on May 14, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Chairperson: John Culver
Members: Mike Mundhenke, Bob Vrbka, Ken Schmieding, Becky Paulsen
County Clerk: Sherry Schweitzer
Deputy County Assessor: Deanna Boyer
County Treasurer: Bob Dahms

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 Paulsen and seconded by Vrbka to approve the minutes of April 23, 2019.
Affirmative Vote: Paulsen, Vrbka, Schmieding, Mundhenke, Culver Motion Carried

Bob Dahms, County Treasurer, brought a Tax Exemption Application for the Commissioners consideration.

Moved by Mundhenke and seconded by Vrbka to approve the Tax Exemption Application for St. Vincent DePaul Church/School for a 2017 Ford Van VIN# 1FMZK1ZMOHKA98343.
Affirmative Vote: Mundhenke, Vrbka, Paulsen, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Deanna Boyer, Deputy County Assessor, gave information about the Tax List Corrections on the agenda.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to approve Tax List Correction No. 167-18P and 268-18R.
Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Schmieding, Mundhenke, Paulsen, Culver Motion Carried

Known items on the agenda for Board of Equalization on May 28, 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 14, 2019
4. Discuss/Action – Assessor Information Update

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to adjourn at 8:39 a.m.
Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Schmieding, Paulsen, 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 this 28th day of May 2019.

County Clerk

Chairperson

May 14, 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 9:00 a.m. on May 14, 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 May 14, 2019 at 9:00 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.

Moved by Schmieding and seconded by Vrbka to approve the minutes of May 7, 2019.
Affirmative Vote: Schmieding, Vrbka, Paulsen, Mundhenke, Culver Motion Carried

Becky Paulsen, Weed/Zoning Administrator, reported she has a Zoning meeting and a Region 1 Weed Association Meeting this coming week.

Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Mundhenke reported he attended an Extension meeting (which did not have a quorum to meet) and he also checked some roads.

Commissioner Vrbka reported he checked on roads and visited with the Hwy. Supt. on road issues.

Commissioner Culver reported he talked to the Hwy Supt. and other Dept. heads about road projects. He received phone calls from constituents and checked on one abandoned cemetery.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he attended a Region V meeting. He plans to check some abandoned cemeteries the coming week, and will attend a Visitors Committee Banquet.

Commissioner Paulsen reported she attended an Institute of Excellence class and a Strategic Planning Meeting for the Seward County Chamber Development Partnership.

Moved by Mundhenke and seconded by Vrbka to approve the Special Designated Liquor License for Miletta Vineyards & Winery, Inc. for an event on September 21, 2019.

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

The Commissioners recessed at 9:10 a.m.

The Commissioners re-convened at 9:15 a.m.

Commissioners Schmieding is absent at 9:15 a.m.

Gary Petersen, Seward/York County Emergency Manager gave information about the new and updated Local Emergency Operation Plan (LEOP).

Moved by Paulsen and seconded by Vrbka to adopt Resolution No. 3451 in regard to approving the Seward County LEOP Plan.

Resolution No. 3451

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Seward County, Nebraska, pursuant to Nebraska Statute, is vested with the authority of administering the affairs of Seward County, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that a Seward County Local Emergency Operations Plan has been developed in order to provide for a coordinated response to a disaster or emergency in Seward County, the City of Seward and other cities and villages in Seward County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Seward County, deems it advisable and in the best interest of Seward County to approve said Local Emergency Operations Plan;

WHEREAS, the acceptance of this 2019 Local Emergency Operations Plan supersedes all previous approved Seward County Local Emergency Operations Plans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Seward County, Nebraska, that the Seward County Local Emergency Operations Plan be, and hereby is, approved.

Moved by: Paulsen Seconded by: Vrbka Absent: Schmieding
Ayes: Becky Paulsen, Robert Vrbka, Mike Mundhenke, John K. Culver,
Chair of the Board

Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk 05/14/2019

Affirmative Vote: Paulsen, Vrbka, Mundhenke, Culver

Motion Carried

The Commissioners recessed at 9:23 a.m.

The Commissioners re-convened at 9:37 a.m.

Carol Albrecht, representing the Farmers Market Vendors, asked for permission to use the Courthouse lawn for Farmers Market on Wednesday afternoons and Saturday mornings. Commissioner Paulsen stated that it is really hard on the grass. The idea of closing off an adjacent street was mentioned. For next year, Albrecht will contact the City of Seward to see if it can be on the streets adjacent to the courthouse rather than on the lawn.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Mundhenke to use the Courthouse lawn for the Farmers Market on Wednesday afternoons and Saturday mornings.

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Mundhenke, Paulsen, Culver

Motion Carried

Mike Vance, Sheriff, and Mark Swicord, Captain in the Sheriff's Office, were present to discuss the Interdiction Task Force and the Treasury State and Local Over Time (SLOT) funding. He explained that his Dept. has been offered financial help from SLOT funds. They are funds that come from the Federal Drug Task Force that are received after a drug seizure. This money can be used for equipment and other things such as a drug dog. Captain Swicord explained that, for instance, if there was a drug seizure and there was money confiscated, the federal government keeps about 30%. The SLOT funding comes from the 30% and can also be used when our Sheriffs Dept.'s incurs overtime. SLOT funds are attained through a reimbursement process.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Mundhenke to approve the Dept. of Treasury State & Local Over Time (SLOT) funding for the Seward/York County Federal Interdiction Task Force and to pay out qualified overtime.

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Mundhenke, Paulsen, Culver

Motion Carried

Vance also presented a contract with the Village of Bee for law enforcement for the Commissioners consideration.

Moved by Mundhenke and seconded by Vrbka to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with the Village of Bee for law enforcement services.

Affirmative Vote: Mundhenke, Vrbka, Paulsen, Culver

Motion Carried

Chelsea Smith also submitted a contract for entertainment for the County Appreciation Party.

Moved by Paulsen and seconded by Vrbka to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with Big Red Sam Entertainment for an event on December 6, 2019.

Affirmative Vote: Paulsen, Vrbka, Mundhenke, Culver

Motion Carried

Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on May 21, 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 May 14, 2019

Other Business Matters to Address When Time Allows

4. Discuss/Action - Public/Officials/Boards
5. Commissioners Reports
6. Discuss/Action – Agenda for May 28, 2019

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Mundhenke to adjourn at 10:16 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 21st day of May 2019.

County Clerk

Chairman