

May 24, 2022
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 24, 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 Equalization has the right to modify the agenda to include items of an emergency nature only at such public meeting.

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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 Schmieding and seconded by Vrbka to approve the minutes of May 10, 2022.
Affirmative Vote: Schmieding, Vrbka, Ahmic, Zabrocki, Culver Motion Carried

Hladky updated the Commissioners on activities of her office.

Known items on the agenda for Board of Equalization on June 14, 2022 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 24, 2022
4. Discuss/Action – Assessor Information Update

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

Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Zabrocki, Schmieding, Ahmic, 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 14th day of June 2022.

County Clerk

Chairperson

May 24, 2022

Seward County Board of Commissioners

State of Nebraska)
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The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Ahmic and seconded by Zabrocki to approve the minutes of May 17, 2022.

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

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Vrbka to approve claims for the period through May 13, 2022.

SEWARD COUNTY CLAIMS THROUGH MAY 13, 2022

ADVANCED OFFICE AUTOM	SU	\$170.16	VERIZON CONNECT NWF	EQ	\$814.19
ALL COPY PRODUCTS	SU	\$19.75	VERIZON WIRELESS SERV	SE	\$805.08
AMAZON CAPITAL SERV	SE	\$1,346.21	VIRTUAL IMPRESSIONS	SE	\$20.00
AMERITAS LIFE INS	FE	\$18,439.11	VISA	FE	\$5,498.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UT	\$2,185.69	WALL, ROBERT	SE	\$190.00
BLUE VALLEY BEHAV HLTH	SE	\$292.50	WINDSTREAM	UT	\$10,479.20
BRYAN HEART	SE	\$40.00	SUE WURM, COURT REPORTER	SE	\$120.00
BRYAN PHYS NETWORK	SE	\$307.23	CENTRAL SAND & GRAVEL	SU	\$49,498.44
CAFE ON THE SQUARE	SU	\$193.79	DALE JOHNSON ENT	SU	\$9,244.91
COAST TO COAST COMPUTER	SE	\$139.99	FASTENAL COMPANY	SU	\$26.60
CORDANT HEALTH SOL	SU	\$43.00	G & P DEVEL LANDFILL	SE	\$20.34
CULLIGAN	SE	\$24.50	HUSKER AUTO GROUP	SE	\$135.00
DIAMOND DRUGS	SU	\$4,291.65	HYDRAULIC EQUIPMENT SERV	SE	\$177.47
ELECTION WORKERS	SE	\$10,830.47	JOHNSON SAND & GRAVEL	SU	\$31,817.75
EQUIFAX WORKFORCE/TALX	SE	\$91.98	MAINELLI WAGNER & ASSOC	SE	\$14,454.94
FALLER LANDSCAPE	SE	\$39.92	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES	SU	\$111.25
FARMERS COOPERATIVE	SU	\$15,624.20	MEMORIAL CLINIC	SE	\$105.00
SIDNEY FREY	SE	\$267.50	MEYER AUTOMOTIVE	SE	\$55.02
GALLS LLC	SE	\$178.94	MIDWEST AUTO PARTS	SU	\$975.61
GREAT PLAINS COMM	UT	\$883.85	MIDWEST AUTOMOTIVE	SE	\$1,925.37
GRNUP, LLC	SE	\$700.00	NEWMAN SIGNS, INC	SU	\$3,903.43
GWORKS	SE	\$20,996.25	NMC, INC	SE	\$2,776.82
HERPOLSHEIMERS INC	SE	\$1,781.04	NORRIS PUB POW DIST	UT	\$1,234.00
KEARNEY INVEST CORP	SE	\$189.90	PAC N SAVE	SU	\$268.03
HOMETOWN LEASING	SE	\$130.33	RDO TRUCK CENTERS	SE	\$142.73
INDOFF INC	SU	\$152.43	SAPP BROS PETROLEUM	SU	\$37,535.45
BIG D ENTERPRISES	SE	\$519.90	SNAP-ON INDUSTRIAL	SU	\$37.67
JEO CONSULTING	SE	\$3,078.85	UTICA PARTS AND SERV	SE	\$18.57
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	FE	\$632.58	VILLAGE OF GARLAND	UT	\$50.61
JONES BANK (FICA)	FE	\$18,645.08	CATTLE BANK & TRUST	FE	\$95,005.00

LA QUINTA INN & SUITES	TR	\$439.80	VANGUARD APPRAISALS	SE	\$825.00
MARLIN MATULKA	SE	\$870.70	MILFORD AGING SERVICES	SE	\$167.30
HOLLY MATZKE	SE	\$180.00	MOMS MEALS	SE	\$128.73
REBECCA MCKAY	SE	\$30.42	SEWARD AGING SERVICES	SE	\$352.10
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS	FE	\$123.25	US POST OFFICE	SU	\$92.80
MID-AMERICAN INS GRP	FE	\$43,959.77	UTICA AGING SERVICE	SE	\$228.90
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERV	SE	\$90.00	DARRIN KREMER	SE	\$400.00
NEBRASKA.GOV	FE	\$8.50	MILFORD POLICE DEPT	SE	\$144.08
OFFICE DEPOT	SU	\$531.95	DIGITAL ALLY INC	EQ	\$9,564.00
PAPER TIGER SHREDDING	SE	\$30.00	NAT ASSN DRUG COURT PROF	FE	\$1,590.00
PETERSEN REPORTING	SE	\$103.50	RELENTLESS LLC	SE	\$325.00
PETTY CASH FUND	FE	\$110.00	DON'S PIONEER UNIFORMS	SE	\$453.54
PHYSICIANS LAB SERV	SE	\$4,465.00	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SU	\$465.05
CA MARKETING, INC	SU	\$470.40	HELMINK PRINTING	SU	\$937.00
POTTER REPAIR	SE	\$2,144.65	HOBSON AUTO AND TIRE	SE	\$76.00
QUADIENT, INC	EQ	\$368.46	JONES BANK	SE	\$100.00
REDWOOD TOX LAB	SE	\$31.00	NE LAW ENF TRAINING CT	FE	\$360.00
REGION V SERVICES	SE	\$2,484.58	OREILLY AUTOMOTIVE	SU	\$40.78
REGION V SYSTEMS	SE	\$642.00	TRANSUNION RISK	FE	\$404.00
KEVIN SCHLENDER	SE	\$190.00	WESTERN OIL II LLC	SU	\$239.26
SEW CO HLTH CLM FND	FE	\$156,314.26	DIGITAL RIVER INC	SE	\$999.50
SEWARD CO INDEPENDENT	SE	\$1,194.77	LUTZ & COMPANY	SU	\$575.00
SEWARD LUMBER	SU	\$15.28	NEMAHA CO SHERIFFS OFFICE	SE	\$575.21
SOARIN GROUP, LLC	SE	\$249.92	POLICE LEGAL SCIENCES	FE	\$960.00
SOFTWARE UNLIMITED	EQ	\$3,024.00	ENCARTELE INC	SE	\$2,954.53
SPARETIME	SE	\$265.48	SALARIES		\$271,706.47
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SHARILYN K STEUBE	SE	\$190.00	COLONIAL SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE		
SUMMIT FOOD SERV	SE	\$2,626.42	MID AMERICAN CO WISCONSIN		
THE HOME DEPOT PRO	SU	\$493.42	DELTA DENTAL		
THOMSON REUTERS	SE	\$1,074.62	VSP VISION		
TIME WARNER CABLE	UT	\$407.13	WADDELL & REED		

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

Gary Petersen, Seward/York Emergency Manager, Terry Wicht, High Supt. and Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk, updated the Commissioners on activities of their offices.

Eric Hofer, Seward Building and Grounds Supt., gave information on bids received for the HVAC upgrade. Hofer recommended Engineered Controls, Inc.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Schmieding to award the bid to Engineered Controls, Inc. in the amount of \$64,450.00 for the upgrade of the HVAC Equipment in the Courthouse.

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

The Commissioners recessed at 9:27 a.m.

The Commissioners re-conveyed 9:30 a.m.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Ahmic to open the gravel bids at 9:30 a.m.

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

Bids were received from Johnson Sand & Gravel, Central Sand and Gravel and Dale R. Johnson Trucking Sand & Gravel.

The awarding of the gravel bids was also on the agenda.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to award gravel bids to all three bidders: Johnson Sand & Gravel, Central Sand and Gravel and Dale R. Johnson Trucking Sand & Gravel with the bids of:

Johnson Sand & Gravel:

Undelivered: \$13.50/ton

Delivered: \$23.20/ton to Missile Base Stockpile

There will be a 1% fuel surcharge for every \$0.20 fuel price increase over \$4.59/gal on Clear or Truck fuel. There will be a 1% fuel surcharge for every \$0.20 fuel price increase over \$4.08/gal on Pump or Red fuel

Central Sand & Gravel:
Undelivered: \$15.50/ton
Delivered: No Bid

Dale R. Johnson Trucking Sand & Gravel:
Undelivered: \$13.50/ton
Delivered: \$24.61/ton to Garland Stockpile
There will be a 1% fuel surcharge for every \$0.20 fuel price increase over \$4.59/gal.

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

The Commissioners recessed at 9:40 a.m.
The Commissioners re-convened at 9:45 a.m.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to open bids at 9:45 a.m. for culverts.
Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Zabrocki, Ahmic, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Bids were received from Ace Eaton Metals, Midwest Service & Sales, Metal Culverts Inc. and Contech Engineered Solutions.

The bids will be awarded next week.

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Ahmic to authorize the Chairman to sign a Right of Way Access Agreement with the University of Nebraska - Lincoln to bore a vertical soil sample for the Lower Platte South Resources District Project # 4930.
Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Ahmic, Vrbka, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

The Commissioners recessed at 9:55 a.m.
The Commissioners re-convened at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Ahmic reported she reached out to the Garland Village Clerk about County American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, received calls about zoning, worked on those addresses of Seward County that have a Unit #, checked on abandoned cemeteries and worked with the Madison County Clerk on their ARPA application.

Commissioner Vrbka reported he attended the Upper Big Blue NRD Meeting and visited with Bee representatives about a road issue.

Carrie Rodriguez, Chief Probation Officer for District 5, gave information about the services that probation gives to the eleven counties the district serves. She also gave information about their budget request for the coming fiscal year and an Interlocal for the Problem-Solving Court that is being requested to be renewed in the near future.

Becky Paulsen, Weed/Zoning Administrator, was present to give information about a Lower Platte Weed Management Area Agreement.

Moved by Ahmic and seconded by Zabrocki to authorize the Board to sign the Amended Interlocal for the Lower Platte Weed Management Area.
Affirmative Vote: Ahmic, Zabrocki, Schmieding, Vrbka, Culver Motion Carried

Paulsen also presented a plat for the Commissioners' consideration.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to authorize the Chairman to sign the Grant award for the Seward County Senior Centers.

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

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Ahmic to cancel the Seward County Board meeting on June 28, 2022 due to an election happening the same day.

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

Misty Ahmic led discussion about the disbursement of the Seward County ARPA funds. It was asked if the Illuminate Seward campaign is eligible to be paid with ARPA funds and whether the Courthouse was included in the estimated cost. The Seward County Chamber & Development Partnership is leading the effort with grant writing to help pay for it. It was reported there is an estimated \$1.1 million in Seward County ARPA funds left. There are three different villages that have asked for funds which would deplete the funds if we chose to fully fund the projects. Commissioners will talk to the village representatives and see if they have researched other sources of funding for their projects.

Carla Ketner, owner of Chapters Books and Gifts, requested use of the Courthouse Square to host an event for Nebraska Authors and Artists on June 25, 2022 from 2-4 p.m. with a rain date of July 9, 2022.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to approve the request to use the Courthouse Square to host an event for Nebraska Authors and Artists on June 25, 2022 from 2-5 p.m. with a rain date of July 9, 2022.

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

Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on May 31, 2022 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 24, 2022

Other Business Matters to Address When Time Allows

4. Discuss/Action – Public/Officials/Boards
5. Discuss/Action – Commissioners Reports
6. Discuss/Action – Fences for Abandoned Cemeteries
7. Discuss/Action – Disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds
8. Discuss/Action – Agenda for June 7, 2022

9:30 a.m. Discuss/Action – Award Culvert Bids

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Vrbka to adjourn at 11:06 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Vrbka, 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 31st day of May 2022.

County Clerk

Chairman