

November 22, 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 November 22, 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.

The Seward County Board of Equalization convened on November 22, 2022 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 Zabrocki and seconded by Ahmic to approve the minutes of November 8, 2022.
Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Ahmic, Vrbka, Schmieding, Culver Motion Carried

Hladky then updated the Commissioners on activities of her office.

Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on December 13, 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 November 22, 2022
4. Discuss/Action – Assessor Information Update

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to adjourn at 8:47 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 13th day of December 2022.

County Clerk

Chairperson

November 22, 2022

Seward County Board of Commissioners

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The Seward County Board of Commissioners convened on November 22, 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 Schmieding to approve the minutes of November 15, 2022.
Affirmative Vote: Vrbka, Schmieding, Zabrocki, Ahmic, Culver Motion Carried

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Vrbka to approve the minutes of November 18, 2022.
Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Vrbka, Culver Motion Carried
Abstain: Ahmic, Schmieding

A member of the public, Dave Pankoke, expressed concern over contractors who are working in the right of way and also the staffing issues in the Road Dept.

Terry Wicht, Highway Supt., updated the Commissioners on activity in his department.

Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Ahmic reported she completed the edits for the proposed Zoning Regulations, attended a Planning & Zoning Commission meeting, a Seward County Chamber & Development Partnership (SCCDP) meeting and a meeting with the Veteran's Service Officer and HR Office about recognizing veterans.

Commissioner Vrbka reported he attended Upper Big Blue NRD and Ag Society meetings and fielded a complaint about ROW.

The Commissioners discussed the possible abandonment of a portion of Sunrise Road (minimum maintenance portion only) in Section 3 Township 9 North Range 4 East of the 6th p.m. Ahmic led discussion that she was asked if a driveway could be placed on it since it is a minimum maintenance road. She stated the minimum maintenance sign is faded so that a person cannot tell what kind of sign it is. Vrbka gave some information on the history of abandoned roads. Discussion was held about abandoning a road vs. minimum maintenance roads. Wicht was present and was asked that he go through and maintain the road once a year and put up a new "Minimum Maintenance" sign that is not faded. Vrbka will research the history of the road and report to Wicht if he finds evidence the road was abandoned.

Commissioner Zabrocki led discussion about a broadband Task Force Invoice from Norris Public Power District related to a Feasibility Study. Since Zabrocki is on a Task Force about broadband he looked into the invoice as received for \$1,000. He stated that this was part of the process the Task Force took and can be paid with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. Zabrocki stated that a Request For Information (RFI) has been issued and a Request For Proposal (RFP) will be sent out soon. He stated that new grant funding will be available soon and we will be more prepared by doing this work before the money is available. The Commissioners discussed the benefits of having this study and will find more information and discuss it at a future meeting.

Treasurer, Bob Dahms and Deputy Treasurer, Sherry Leising were present to discuss a resolution they would like the Commissioners to consider passing. They gave information about interest and current yields due to inflation.

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Zabrocki to adopt Resolution # 3722 in regard to modifying the Investment Policy regarding Investment Reports.

**Resolution No. 3722 of the
Seward County Board of Commissioners**

Whereas, with the inverted yield curve, liquid assets are 40+% total fund balance. And, whereas, the above negates the necessity of cash flow and cd laddering tabulation.

Therefore, let it be resolved the quarterly investment report reflects: monthly investment earning per financial institution, earnings per fund with a comparison to the past year, amount invested per bank compared to bank amount of pledged securities, and investment performance.

Moved by: Vrbka Seconded by: Zabrocki
Ayes: Robert Vrbka, Misty Ahmic, Ken Schmieding, Darrell J. Zabrocki,
John K. Culver, Chair of the Board
Attest: Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk
Dated this 22nd day of November 2022

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

Moved by Vrbka and seconded by Schmieding to authorize the Chairperson to sign a Grant Award Contract for Acceptance of SFY 2023 County Justice Reinvestment Grant for Detention Center.

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

Moved by Ahmic and seconded by Vrbka to authorize the awarded County Justice Reinvestment grant funds in the amount of \$4,773.00 to be placed in the Commissary Fund.

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

Commissioners Reports (Cont.)

Commissioner Culver reported he attended a Blue Valley Community Action meeting, received road concerns and worked on getting information in regard to purchasing a new phone system, attended the Planning & Zoning Meeting and met with the title company to sign ownership papers for the Interdiction Building.

Commissioner Schmieding reported he received road concerns and met with the Extension office officials.

Commissioner Zabrocki reported he attended the jail Inspection with all the other Commissioners, Seward City Council meeting, attended the HR workshops and attended the 4th of July committee meeting.

Moved by Schmieding and seconded by Ahmic to accept the resignation of Korey Reiman, Public Defender, and stated he did a wonderful job while he was in that position.

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

There was short discussion about Infrastructure Grants and the disbursement of the ARPA funds.

Known items on the agenda for Board of Commissioners on November 29, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. are as follows:

1. Discuss/Action – Convene and announce Open Meetings Act
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discuss/Action – Approve minutes of November 22, 2022

Other Business Matters to Address When Time Allows

5. Discuss/Action – Public/Officials/Boards
6. Commissioners Reports
7. Discussion Only – Possible Abandonment of Sunrise Road (Minimum Maintenance Portion Only) In Section 3 Township 9 North, Range 4 East of the 6th p.m.
8. Discuss/Action – Infrastructure Related Grants
9. Discuss/Action – Disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds
10. Discuss/Action – Agenda for December 6, 2022

Moved by Zabrocki and seconded by Vrbka to adjourn at 10:16 a.m.

Affirmative Vote: Zabrocki, Vrbka, Ahmic, Schmieding, 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 29th day of November 2022.

County Clerk

Chairman