

December 11, 2023  
Boardroom-Courthouse  
Loup City, Nebraska

#### Sherman County Board of Commissioners

The Sherman County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, December 11, 2023 in the Boardroom of the Sherman County Courthouse with the following persons present: Kenneth Kaslon- Chairman, Larry Griffith-Vice Chairman and Tom Bandur. Also, present was Marcy Sekutera-Sherman County Clerk and Heather Sikyta-Sherman County Attorney. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00a.m. Notice of the meeting was given by advanced publication in the Sherman County Times, given in advance to all members of the Board. At the beginning of the meeting, the Chairman announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meeting Act was posted on the South wall of the Boardroom with copies of the Act also available in the Boardroom for public viewing.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the November 28, 2023 regular meeting. An agenda was posted in the Clerk's office and kept continuously current. Motion by Griffith and seconded by Bandur to approve the previous minutes as written with proof of publication on file.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Kaslon, Bandur, Griffith. Nays: None. Motion carried

Public Comment: None.

#### Committee Reports:

Griffith- Mid Nebraska Individual Services

The Board reviewed the mail received, the monthly reports of the County Clerk, Sheriff's Office and Clerk of the District Court, Treasurer's current list of securities, monthly expenditures reports, Region 26 minutes and the Disability Rights of Nebraska Report on the county website.

- **DISCUSSION**

Melissa Dush- Sherman County Economic Development Director, monthly updates on Sprouts Child Care Initiative, Bowman Hike & Bike Trail, 2024 Entrepreneurship Classes

Mitch Dzingle- Noxious Weed Superintendent updated the Board on open and closed Noxious Weed cases in the County and reviewed areas that were sprayed within the County.

Jerod Reimers- District Coordinator for Representative Adrian Smith, updated the Board on Congressman's Smith role as Lead Republican on Trade Committee and his role on the Ways and Means Committee.

- **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Kaslon and seconded by Griffith to go into closed session at 9:06a.m. with Michael Jepsen-Sherman County Sheriff regarding letter of resignation and to protect public interest. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Griffith, Kaslon, Bandur. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board returned to regular session at 9:23a.m.

Motion by Bandur and seconded by Griffith to accept the letter of resignation of Michael Jepsen-Sherman County Sheriff effective January 1, 2024.

Roll Call Vote: Kaslon, Bandur, Griffith. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- **ACTION ITEMS**

- Motion by Bandur and seconded by Griffith to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Memorandum of Understanding between Buffalo and Sherman Counties for Juvenile Services Aid Program for fiscal year 2024/2025 for juvenile diversion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bandur, Griffith, Kaslon. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- Motion by Griffith and seconded by Bandur to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Nebraska Department of Agriculture Annual Reports of the Sherman County Noxious Weed Superintendent. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bandur, Griffith, Kaslon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- **ROAD DEPARTMENT**

- **ACTION ITEMS**

- General Road business was discussed with Eric Person-Assistant Highway Superintendent.
- **ADJOURN** – Chairman Kaslon adjourned the meeting at 11:10a.m.

The permanent record of these proceedings is available for viewing in the office of the Sherman County Clerk.  
Marcy L. Sekutera/Sherman County Clerk