

February 14, 2024
Boardroom-Courthouse
Loup City, Nebraska

Sherman County Board of Commissioners

The Sherman County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 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 January 23, 2024 regular meeting. An agenda was posted in the Clerk's office and kept continuously current. Motion by Bandur and seconded by Kaslon 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: Beverly Pop distributed handouts to the Board on legislative bills and the hand counting of ballots. Dan McKeon- Candidate for Legislative District 41 introduced himself to the Board and answered questions the Board had.

Committee Reports:

Griffith- Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership Inc.

Bandur- Sherman County Senior Center, Area Agency on Aging

Kaslon- Region III Behavioral Health 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, 2023 Annual Reports of NIRMA and Nebraska Extension-Sherman County

- **DISCUSSION**

Melissa Dush- Sherman County Economic Development Director reviewed the financial impacts of inadequate child care on Sherman County families and businesses, the monthly updates on Sprouts Child Care Initiative, Bowman Hike & Bike Trail, 2024 Entrepreneurship Classes, Trail 12 Broadband Grant.

Joel Bergman-Sherman County Sheriff introduced Sergeant Sean Wysocki to the Board and discussed the disposal of two abandoned vehicles, 1998 Chrysler Van and 2004 Mustang and the removal of a wall in the sheriff's office for better use of space and organization.

- **ACTION ITEMS**

- Motion by Griffith and seconded by Bandur to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Resolution No. 04-24, transfer of funds from Inheritance Fund to Road Fund for 2023 Komatsu WA 320-8 Loader in the amount of \$241,391.02 as per 2023/2024 budget.

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

- Motion by Bandur and seconded by Kaslon to approve the new hires of Sean Wysocki and Michael Jepsen.

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

- Motion by Kaslon and seconded by Bandur to approve a one-time funding to the Sherman County Senior Center in the amount of \$7500.00; operations, building and equipment repairs.

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

- **ROAD DEPARTMENT**

- **ACTION ITEMS**

- Motion by Kaslon and seconded by Griffith to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Resolution No. 05-24 directing Assistant Highway Superintendent to submit in writing recommendation of vacating or abandonment of portion of Pool Road-South of US Highway 92, Section 20, Township 15, Range 14.

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

- Motion by Griffith and seconded by Kaslon to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Resolution No. 06-24 directing Assistant Highway Superintendent to submit in writing recommendation of vacating or abandonment of portion of 786th Road or the south line of Section 35, Township 14, Range 14, beginning at 479th Avenue easterly one mile. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bandur, Griffith, Kaslon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- **DISCUSSION**

- General Road business was discussed with Eric Person-Assistant Highway Superintendent.

- **ADJOURN** – Chairman Kaslon adjourned the meeting at 11:30a.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