July 9, 2025 Boardroom-Courthouse Loup City, Nebraska

Sherman County Board of Commissioners

The Sherman County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, in the Boardroom of the Sherman County Courthouse with the following persons present: Tom Bandur-Chairman, Kenneth Kaslon-Vice Chairman and David Siegel. Also, present was Marcy Sekutera-Sherman County Clerk. 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. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board reviewed the minutes of June 24, 2025, regular meeting. An agenda was posted in the Clerk's office and kept continuously current. Motion by Siegel and seconded by Kaslon to approve the previous minutes as written with proof of publication on file. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bandur, Kaslon, Siegel. Nays: None. Motion carried. Public Comment: None.

Committee Reports: None.

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, Tax Remaining Reports for 2021-22-23, Treasurer's Financial Statement, January1,-June 30, 2025, monthly expenditure report, Quarterly Reports of the Sheriff's Office and County Attorney and the Region 26 Assessment for Sherman County-2025/2026 Fiscal Year.

DISCUSSION

Melissa Dush-Sherman Couty Economic Development Director, monthly updates-expense and income report-Rural Workforce Housing Fund, Bowman Lake Hike & Bike Trail, Tourism/Promotion Projects, Center for Rural Affairs Food Pantry Program, Sherman County Sprouts Child Care Initiative, Workforce/Entrepreneurship, Polish Days recap and attendance.

Joel Bergman-Sherman County Sheriff, monthly updates.

The Board reviewed the Deeds of Trust and discussed the delinquent CDBG Housing Program Accounts. The Board reviewed the new compensation structure of the Adams County Mental Health Board.

ACTION ITEMS

- Motion by Siegel and seconded by Bandur to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Letter of Engagement with Laurie Johnson LLC for budget preparation for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Kaslon, Siegel, Bandur. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- Motion by Kaslon and seconded by Siegel to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Resolution No. 10-25 authorizing Chairman to sign revised Public Defender Contract with Borders & Furrow Law PC LLO for an annual amount of \$40,000.00 beginning July 1, 2025.
 - Roll Call Vote: Siegel, Bandur, Kaslon. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- Motion by Bandur and seconded by Kaslon to approve the request of the Sherman County Clerk for claim to be submitted from the Miscellaneous General Fund to be deposited in the Clerk's checking account to cover fees in the amount of \$250.00. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bandur, Kaslon, Siegel. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- Motion by Bandur and seconded by Kaslon to approve MIPS as the vendor to facilitate the printing and mailing of the JPH postcards as described in NRS 77-1663 (3g) LB644 public hearing at \$.62 each. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Kaslon, Siegel, Bandur. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- Motion by Bandur and seconded by Kaslon to approve sending letters of support for the Broadband Equity Access Deployment. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bandur, Kaslon, Siegel. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- Motion by Kaslon and seconded by Siegel to approve Sherman County's participation in the nationwide opioid settlement agreement with Purdue and the Slacker Family.
 - Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Kaslon, Siegel, Bandur. Nays: None. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Kaslon and seconded by Siegel to go into closed session at 10:30a.m. for the protection of public interest- to receive legal counsel on personnel matters. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bandur, Kaslon, Siegel. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board returned to regular session at 11:18a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Siegel and seconded by Kaslon to go into closed session at 11:20a.m. for the protection of public interest-to obtain legal advice. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Kaslon, Siegel, Bandur. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board returned to regular session at 11:30a.m.

Motion by Bandur and seconded by Seigel to table action on the bids submitted for the Bowman Lake Hike & Bike Trail-Project 140-E1-003 until the July 22, 2025, regular board meeting. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Siegel, Bandur, Kaslon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

DISCUSSION

- General Road business was discussed with Eric Person-Highway Superintendent.
- **ADJOURN** Chairman Bandur adjourned the meeting at 12:30p.m.

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