

December 28, 2021  
Boardroom-Courthouse  
Loup City, Nebraska

## **Sherman County Board of Commissioners**

The Sherman County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, December 28, 2021 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 published in the Sherman County Times and 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 December 6, 2021 regular meeting. An agenda was posted in the Clerk's office kept continuously current. Motion by Bandur and seconded by Kaslon to approve the previous minutes as written with proof of publication on file. Vote: Ayes: Griffith, Kaslon, Bandur. Motion carried.

Public Comment – None.

The Board reviewed the mail received, the claims submitted for payment, the Treasurer's Receipt Report for November and the Library Board minutes.

- **DISCUSSION**

- Everett Butzine-Sherman County Economic Development Director, Jennifer Smydra-Loup City Chamber reviewed the amended Sherman County promotional tourism grant application with the Board. Mr. Butzine also reviewed the Sherman County promotional grant application submitted by the Nebraska Game & Parks with the Board.
- Everett Butzine-Sherman County Economic Development Director introduced Melissa Dush to the Board.
- Michael Jepsen- Sherman County Sheriff & Josh Salter-Chief Deputy, monthly updates, discussed K-9 stipend for the K-9 Handler and salaries with the Board.
- The Board reviewed the salary surveys and spread sheets. Sherie Kuszak-Assessor was also present.

- **CLOSED SESSION**

- Motion by Kaslon and seconded by Griffith to go into closed session at 12:00p.m. to protect public interest. Vote: Ayes: Griffith, Kaslon, Bandur. Motion carried. The Board returned to regular session at 1:15p.m.

- **ACTION ITEMS**

- Motion by Bandur and seconded by Kaslon to appoint Melissa M. Dush to the Sherman County Economic Development Board as Sherman County Representative, vacancy due to bylaw changes. Vote: Ayes: Kaslon, Bandur, Griffith. Motion carried.
- Motion by Bandur and seconded by Griffith to accept the recommendation of the Sherman County Tourism Committee and approve the amended promotional grant application submitted by the Loup City Chamber for Welcome Sign, not to exceed \$8,000.00. Vote: Ayes: Bandur, Kaslon, Griffith. Motion carried.
- Motion by Bandur and seconded by Griffith to accept the recommendation of the Sherman County Tourism Committee and approve the promotional grant application submitted by the Nebraska Game and Parks for a hiking trailhead sign to be located at the Redwood Area at Sherman Reservoir in the amount of \$1,086.00. Vote: Ayes: Bandur, Griffith. Nays: Kaslon. Motion carried.
- Motion by Griffith and seconded by Kaslon to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Resolution No. 36-21 setting a monthly stipend for the K-9 Handler at \$400.00 a month for training and regular K-9 maintenance. Vote: Ayes: Griffith, Bandur, Kaslon. Motion carried.
- Motion by Bandur and seconded by Kaslon to approve the claims submitted for payment and the Treasurer's Receipt Report for November 2021. Vote: Ayes: Bandur, Griffith, Kaslon. Motion carried.

### **ROAD DEPARTMENT**

#### **DISSCUSSION**

- General Road business was discussed with Eric Person- Highway Superintendent.
- The Board discussed the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plan for Sherman County with Eric Person- Highway Superintendent and Dan Patterson- Sherman County Emergency Manager.
- **ADJOURN** – Chairman Kaslon adjourned the meeting at 1:45p.m.

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