

September 30, 2015

The Keith County Board of Commissioners met for their regular meeting at the Courthouse in Ogallala. Chairman Peters asked those attending to join in a moment of silence in support of the leaders and troops serving our country followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Roll call was answered by Lonnie Peters, Chairman, and Commissioners Caleb Johnson, Jeff Armour and C.W. Baltzell. Commissioner W.E. O'Connor was absent. Also attending the meeting were Deputy County Clerk Lindsey Krab, County Attorney Randy Fair and the media. Johnson moved to approve the agenda, Baltzell seconded the motion. Armour, Baltzell, Johnson and Peters voting aye; O'Connor absent; none voting nay; motion carried. Johnson moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, Armour seconded the motion. Baltzell, Armour, Johnson and Peters voting aye; O'Connor absent; none voting nay; motion carried. Commissioner O'Connor entered the meeting at 8:05 a.m. Baltzell moved to approve the payment of claims upon review, Johnson seconded the motion. Armour, O'Connor, Johnson, Baltzell and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Salaries - \$101,341.51

General Fund

AS Central Services, Lease, \$448.00; Associated Computer Systems, Maintenance renewal, \$8,212.05; Bridge of Hope, Medical exam, \$300.00; Cash-Wa, Prisoner Board, provisions, supplies, \$320.02; Central Auto, repairs, \$311.00; Correll Refrigeration, Installation of new thermostats, \$604.96; Culligan, Water, \$13.00; Dell Marketing, Toner, \$322.98; Tina DeVoe, Supplies, \$4.25; Draucker Funeral, County burial, \$2,250.00; Eakes Office Plus, Maintenance agreement, \$54.69; Tomas England, History webpages, annual updates, \$1,000.00; Amanda Harger, Meals, \$93.63; Keith County Court, Uncollectible costs, \$724.50; Keith County District Court, Docket fees, \$70.00; Keith County Sheriff, Court delivery error, \$34.94; Kent's Towing, Towing, \$132.00; Gary Krajewski, Public Defender contract, \$5,000.00; Nancie Nygaard, Cleaning, \$100.00; NE Emergency Services Communications Association, Registration fee, \$95.00; Ogallala Watering Hole, Transit fuel, \$72.95; O'Keefe Elevator Company, Elevator maintenance, \$258.46; Harold Peterson, Mileage, \$167.24; Platte Valley Communications, Removal of previous radio console, \$1,795.65; Pitney Bowes, Postage meter rental fee, \$162.00; Jack Quinlivan, Office supplies, \$16.33; Scotties Potties, Inc., Pump Lemoyne Senior Center, \$225.00; Scotts Bluff County Sheriff, Fees, \$35.00; Tax Valuation Inc., Services, \$23,000.00; The Thompson Co., Prisoner Board, jail commissary, \$265.63; T&A Alignment, Vehicle repair, \$78.38

Road Fund

Consolidated Telephone, Service, \$103.44; Pulltarps, Supplies, \$94.01; Shell, Fuel, \$953.90

Visitors Fund

iHeartMedia, Advertising, \$300.00; Joel Sartore Photography, Birding promotion, \$150.00; Keith County News, Meeting notice, \$7.20; Lonergan Creek Media, Contract, \$900.00; NPPD, Service, \$17.86; Ogallala/Keith County Chamber of Commerce, Contract, \$2,672.92; Sidney Sun-Telegraph, Advertising, \$275.00; The Grand Island Independent, Advertising, \$545.00

Visitors Improvement Fund

Lamar Companies, Billboard lease, \$360.00; Lonergan Creek Media, Contract, domain registration, \$909.00; Midwest Electric, Service, \$124.34; NPPD, Service, \$66.65; Ogallala/Keith County Chamber of Commerce, Contract, \$2,672.92

CBSA Health Insurance Claim Fund

KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$16,127.47; KC Clerk/Flex Claims Account, Flex claims, \$635.00

Diversion Fund

Bill and Leigh Redinger, Training, \$200.00

E911 Fund

CenturyLink, Service, \$714.00; Consolidated, Service, \$36.00

The Board heard reports from Highway Superintendent Tim Ryan, Zoning Administrator Jack Quinlivan and Budget Consultant Pete Peterson.

Board reports were given and correspondence received.

Travis Haggard Executive Director of Keith County Area Development updated the Board on his office.

Visitors Committee Administrator Andrea Snead updated the Board on last week's Visitors Committee meeting.

Deputy County Treasurer Ronna McEntee, presented the Board with a resolution directing the County Treasurer to place tax sale certificates on all delinquent taxes, and special assessment for 2013 and subsequent years. Johnson moved to adopt the resolution, Armour seconded the motion. Baltzell, O'Connor, Armour, Johnson and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. This resolution will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2015-60.

O'Connor made the motion to appoint Don Eichner to the Keith County Senior Center Board, Baltzell seconded the motion. Armour, Johnson, Baltzell, O'Connor and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Johnson moved to approve changing health insurance networks from Midlands Choice to Aetna effective November 1, 2015, Armour seconded the motion. Baltzell, O'Connor, Armour, Johnson and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Tim Ryan recommended awarding the bid for motor graders to NMC Cat. Johnson motioned to approve the purchase of a 2016 Caterpillar 12M3 AWD for \$199,410.00 and a 2016 Caterpillar 12M3 for \$171,340.00 from NMC Cat, Baltzell seconded the motion. Armour, O'Connor, Baltzell, Johnson and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Chad Adams with the Nebraska Water Center Foundation presented the expansion plans for the Lake McConaughy Visitor/Water Interpretive Center to the Board. The Foundation is requesting funds from the County for this expansion. The Board suggested presenting this plan to the Visitors Committee and possibly obtaining money from Visitors Improvement fund and the Inheritance Tax fund.

Baltzell moved to approve a travel request for Barb Shaffer to attend a NIRMA Safety meeting, Johnson seconded the motion. Armour, O'Connor Johnson, Baltzell and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Armour moved to direct the County Attorney Randy Fair to instigate appropriate legal action, including a declaratory judgment filing, to address the matter and seek a judicial opinion regarding the County obligation and requirement to pay the delinquent auditor bill. Johnson seconded the motion. Armour, O'Connor Johnson, Baltzell and Peters voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned. The Board will meet again Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Ogallala.

Lonnie Peters

Lindsey Krab

Chairman

Deputy County Clerk

Agenda: Kept current in the office of the County Clerk. *Time of specific agenda items will run continuously thru the meeting and may occur earlier or later than estimated.

New business

8:30 a.m. – CASA contract.