

Now on this 16th day of February, 2021, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Wes Bainter presiding. Others present were Joe Bainter, Buck Mader, Joe Pratt County Attorney and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Guests were Doyle Kauk, Carolyn Meyer and The Sheridan Sentinel.

Wes Bainter called the meeting to order.

Pratt reported that the Easement with Arthur Hirdler had been signed and delivered.

Bracht stated that Fred Washburn, City of Hoxie Superintendent, had asked her about the spring clean-up and if the City would still be able to dump for free during the three-day period. By consensus, the board agreed there would be no charge to the City. Bracht advised the board that Sheriff Carver had been nominated/recommended to serve on the Kansas Sheriff's Association board as an auditor. This is a nomination from Sheriff Carver's peers. The board agreed this is quite an honor. Bracht distributed the Employee Handbook and Work Regulations for review. Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the handbook with changes, seconded by Mader. Carried 3-0. Joe Bainter made a motion to approve the various abatements for the Treasurer. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Bracht clarified that Renee Wagoner, Public Health Nurse/Administrator will now be a salaried employee. The board agreed.

Mader made a motion to approve the February 2, 2021 minutes as presented. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Mader stated he had been approached about overtime and wanted clarification. When an employee has overtime during a week but takes a day of vacation, personal, sick or holiday time, there is no overtime.

Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the mid-month warrants as presented, seconded by Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0.

February 12, 2021 payroll was approved on a motion by Wes Bainter and second by Mader. Carried 3-0.

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor, came to the table. By consensus, all the tanks will be filled with fuel, regular and diesel from Bainter Oil. A Sand and Gravel Lease Contract was distributed for the SW4 35-10-27. This land had been owned by Mick Zerr but he swapped it with his father, Leonard Zerr, so a new contract was entered into. Mader made a motion to approve and sign the Gravel Lease Contract, seconded by Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0. Herskowitz stated the road and bridge employees have kept busy cleaning up the shop, servicing equipment, going through parts, etc. By the end of the week the road and bridge crew will be putting gravel on the Park road as well as the redline. The grader was returned from Vic's LLC.

Renee Wagoner, Public Health Nurse/Administrator, came to the table. Wagoner stated they would be visiting businesses soon and letting people know they are open every day, the services they provide, etc. They would be doing this in Selden as well. Wagoner discussed with the board the excess supplies located in the garage that need to be moved. Wagoner stated law enforcement has needed the garage for vehicles, etc. Wagoner stated that COVID vaccinations are going well and she estimates around 300 vaccinations have been given. The state has supplied syringes, etc and the only supplies that have had to be purchased are bandages. The hospital sent a couple of nurses to help schedule and give immunizations as well as a volunteer from the community. Wagoner stated that grant submissions are behind and someone is coming today to help complete the affidavits so no grant money is lost. Wagoner and Mosier are not WIC certified yet so Karen Mann, RN is scheduling WIC clients on the day she is in the office to

help ensure this program is kept going. Wagoner stated that Mann would like additional money to stay and help keep the WIC program. Once Wagoner and Mosier are WIC certified, Mann would not continue except "as needed" for immunization clinics, etc. Wagoner continued by stating that she would like to hire another person to do the filing, billing and scheduling. Wagoner stated that there are grants available to provide more services, pay wages, etc. Wagoner reminded the board that there are webinars available on youtube that are quite informational. At 9:20 Wes Bainter made a motion to enter in to executive session for a period of 10 minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Present were the board, Bracht, Pratt and Wagoner. At 9:32, the door opened and Joe Bainter made a motion, seconded by Mader, to extend the executive session for a period of 10 minutes. Carried 3-0. The door opened at 9:41. Joe Bainter made a motion to advertise for receptionist/clerical help at the public health office and to allow Wagoner to offer Mann additional pay to help with WIC until they are certified. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Jerold DeBoer from Penco Engineering came to the table. Prior to the meeting Bracht had distributed the bidding documents and specifications for the road surfacing of 70W from US24 north 2.4 miles. The board discussed with DeBoer some wording they would like added to the document as it pertains to information for the bidders. DeBoer will get these changes made and will have it out to advertise by the end of the week. Scott Foote joined the conversation by telephone and there was discussion about moving up the date for construction and the turn off area going in to the feedlot.

Joe Bainter made a motion to amend the agenda to include Sheriff Carver. Wes Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Carver distributed photos of the kitchen update he and Undersheriff Diercks did in the kitchen area of the office. They had received a \$2,500 donation and that is what it was used for. There is \$774 remaining. Carver advised the board that Hoxie is hosting the KS Intelligence Association meeting on February 24. This is a regional meeting involving KBI, KHP, MOCIC and other agencies and law enforcement in the region. Bids for the meal were received from The Elephant and Stella Blue and Stella Blue had the low bid serving a meat and two sides. They anticipate 55 guests and it will be held at the EMS building. Carver stated that a bid will be received on the closing of the garage door on the north side of the building and a portion of this will be paid for from another donation received specifically for it.

The following payroll was approved:

General	\$ 58,185.00	Road & Bridge	\$ 21,559.42
Sparks	\$ 909.75	Conceal Carry	\$ 77.98
Nox Weed	\$ 1,590.49	Public Health	\$ 6,410.47
Publ Trnsp	\$ 1,043.83	Landfill	\$ 1,595.71

No further business, Wes Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 8:00 in the courthouse foyer.

Attest: _____
County Clerk

Chairman