

Now on this 9th day of March, 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, The Sheridan Sentinel and Allan Hill.

Wes Bainter called the meeting to order.

Everyone in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Allan Hill was recognized. Hill is looking for work in Sheridan County. The board asked Bracht to get Hill the contact information for the different cemeteries for possible mowing opportunities.

Pratt presented a Resolution relating to signing authority on a US Bank account as well as an Incumbency Certificate for US Bank for approval and signature. Joe Bainter made a motion to approve and sign the Resolution and Incumbency Certificate, seconded by Mader. Carried 3-0.

Resolution 21-10-1 Cancellation of an Outstanding Check was approved on a motion by Wes Bainter and second by Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0.

Several Abatements were approved on a motion by West Bainter and second by Mader. Carried 3-0.

Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the purchase of one computer and three additional monitors for the Appraiser's office from NexTech in the amount of \$1,732.89. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

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

Warrants were approved on a motion by Joe Bainter and second by Wes Bainter. Carried 3-0.

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor, came to the table. A Sand and Gravel Lease between Steven Dible, Twyla Richards and the county for the NE4 33-7-26 was approved and signed by the board. The board discussed sand in other areas of the county. The bridge on the Graham/Sheridan County line was discussed. Graham Co. has the excavator and vibrator if Sheridan County can supply the materials. Herskowitz stated that they have plenty of decking material. Wes Bainter stated that a concrete deck would be better but would take some time. Herskowitz will reach out to Jerol DeBoer at Penco Engineering.

Brandon Carver, Sheridan County Sheriff, entered the meeting. Carver stated that the laptops are in and set-up and installed in all the vehicles. Digiticket should be live by the end of March. Erwin stated he is about two weeks out to complete the enclosing of the garage door. The radio tower will be moved within the Sheriff's office and the water heater will be installed next week. The Sheriff's office is hosting the Standard Field Sobriety Test (SFST) at the EMS building in June. There are already 20 students enrolled. Carver and Diercks will attend the SAMS training in April and Carver will attend his first board meeting in Topeka. Deputy Cousins has enrolled in a three-day training course "Control Forces", referencing choke holds now being illegal. Once completed, Cousins will be a certified instructor. Carver and Deputy Babcock will attend a dog training at the end of the month. All officers need 40 hours of continuing training/education by July so there will also be a lot of virtual meetings attended. Inmates are finally being moved in to the Thomas County jail. Carver asked the board if they would like a tour which will be scheduled at a later date. It will probably be the end of April before Sheridan County transfers inmates there.

Renee Wagoner, Sheridan County Public Health RN/Administrator, entered the meeting. Wagoner stated that her name and signature needed to be on the documents for US Bank. Wagoner discussed various grants. Wagoner had some statistics on COVID which she could give to the board if interested. Wagoner stated that the ELC grant for \$100,000 which is being granted to every public health office in the state is geared towards updating technology. Wagoner stated that public health is having issue with the phones. She had talked with NexTech at one point but has not heard back from them. Wagoner went on to say that she has a list of things that need addressed by NexTech but haven't been yet. Bracht will contact NexTech and see what the holdup is.

At 9:17, Joe Bainter made a motion to enter in to executive session for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Wes Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Present were the board, Pratt and Wagoner. At 9:27, the door opened and Mader made a motion to extend the executive session for a period of 10 minutes. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. The door opened at 9:36.

The following warrants were approved:

General	\$	945.19	Road & Bridge	\$	749.61
Forfeiture	\$	518.00	Nox Weed	\$	212.69
E911	\$	554.08	Public Health	\$	- 46.58
Publ Trnsp	\$	38.08			

No further business, Wes Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 8:00 in the courthouse foyer.

Attest: _____
County Clerk

Chairman