

Now on this 20th day of April 2021, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Wes Bainter presiding. Others present were Buck Mader, Joe Pratt County Attorney and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Joe Bainter was absent. Guests were Carolyn Meyer, Renee Wagoner and The Sheridan Sentinel.

Wes Bainter called the meeting to order.

Everyone in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mindy Harting, Appraiser, came to the table and advised the board that her office would be going out to start data collection soon. She had lettering placed on the truck denoting Sheridan County Appraiser. Wes Bainter advised that Christ Community Church had moved out of the church building west of town, so it needed to be reviewed on whether tax exempt or not.

Pratt had reviewed the NexTech Service Agreements and since they had been signed in January, the county is locked in for the 36-month period. Pratt discussed the selling of equipment. Pratt suggests the board could do an Agreement for a year or two and compensate with work or money. Suggested trading out for gravel or water. Would be a simple Agreement. Wes Bainter contacted Bernie Koerperich via the phone. Koerperich stated the City of Selden would use the mower on city property, right-of-way along the highway and vacant lots that have not been taken care of. The city would be responsible for the maintenance of the mower. Koerperich will run the idea past the city council and Pratt will come up with an Agreement. Pratt clarified with the board that all new employees, no matter the department, will have a pre-employment physical and that road & bridge employees will then have an annual physical due to CDL requirements. The board and Pratt briefly discussed the 30x30 Land Grab. Wes Bainter distributed information that was distributed at the WaKeeney meeting. The board would like Pratt to submit a letter stating that any mention of Sheridan County, Kansas should be removed from the 30x30 Land Grab and National Heritage Area documents. The board wants there to be no question that Sheridan County, Kansas has opted out.

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor, came to the table. Herskowitz stated that have taken care of the Pioneer Cemetery, including putting up a sign. The department has started pulling shoulders up and will be moving to the southwest part of the county, the Grinnell and Angelus roads. They are finalizing getting the equipment to Hoxie Implement so they can get the new skid steer. The board and Herskowitz discussed the maintenance of roads. Herskowitz briefly touched on bringing in someone to rebuild the roads. Gravel hauling is a solid program and is working well.

Wes Bainter stated the new proposed model for sanitary codes needs to be studied up on. Wes Bainter stated he has talked with some other commissioners and the old one is good enough. He feels there is no reason to update and make a broader scope of regulations. Bracht will let the board know when NWLEPG is coming to the meeting.

The Agreement for Income Withholding was approved and signed by the board on a motion by Mader and second by Wes Bainter. Carried 2-0.

Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the April 13, 2021 minutes as presented. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 2-0.

No further business, Wes Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mader. Carried 2-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 8:00 in the courthouse foyer.

Attest: _____
County Clerk

Chairman