

Now on this 14th day of September 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. Guest was Carolyn Meyer.

Wes Bainter called the meeting to order at 8:00 am.

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meyer had presented a Resolution declaring Sheridan County a Constitutional County in observance and celebration of the United States Constitution Day, September 17, 2021. Wes Bainter made a motion to approve and sign the Resolution seconded by Mader. Carried 3-0.

Pratt presented revised documentation pertaining to trying to get out of Twin Creeks Extension. Pratt stated that the timeline is prior to July 1 with an effective date of January 1 the following year. There was further discussion about Twin Creeks and Pratt stated that there are counties that have stand-alone extension offices. The public needs educated about what the intent is. The board is in agreement that 4H is fully supported. Wes Bainter stated again that Twin Creeks Extension should not have taxing authority in our county. This will be discussed again at the first of the year to start the process. There was discussion about the mandating of the COVID vaccine.

Joe Bainter gave a report of the NWLEPG meeting held last week. The county's Sanitary Code book is pending at the state level.

Joe Herskowitz entered the meeting. There was discussion about warranty information for the CAT loader and backhoe. Joe Bainter made a motion to purchase the 60 month/4000 hr warranty for the loader at a cost of \$20,017.30. This includes travel. Wes Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. There was discussion about the feedlot road, the signage needed and the bridge. Mader made a motion to pay McCormick Excavation and Paving the submitted bill in the amount of \$1,224,475.60 for the feedlot road. Joe Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. This will be paid out of the Special Highway fund. Bracht will submit the paperwork to the state for the reimbursed amount of \$720,000 and Scott Foote will owe the county \$252,237.80 for the feedlots share. There will still be an amount due for the bridge work once it has been completed. Herskowitz advised the board that Mike Shaw retires Friday and they are having a little party today from 3:00 – 4:00. Culverts have been ordered and are due to be delivered anytime. Herskowitz stated they are doing ditch work still on the feedlot road. There was discussion about the "washboard" on the road by the Catholic Cemetery heading North on 10W. Also, the spur east of Selden needs some work. Four of the drags should be delivered next week. There was discussion about the Mowing Agreements and tweaking them so that the contract period is longer than one year. Wes Bainter told Herskowitz that the road & bridge employees have done a great job on the feedlot road.

Wes Bainter stated the City of Hoxie had met on Monday, September 13 and unanimously agreed to go ahead and submit application for funding for the specials in the Sunrise Addition. Mader stated he has talked with several contractors about the roof on the schoolhouse at the Mickey Museum as well as some type of work to help with drainage. There was discussion about the historical society adding on to the east.

The September 7, 2021 minutes were approved as presented on a motion by Joe Bainter and second by Wes Bainter. Carried 3-0.

Mader made a motion to approve the September 10, 2021 payroll as presented. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Mader made a motion, seconded by Joe Bainter, to approve the September 14, 2021 warrants as presented. Carried 3-0.

The following warrants and payroll were reviewed and approved:

General	\$ 53,687.99	Road & Bridge	\$ 16,292.39
Nox Weed	\$ 1,581.13	Public Transp	\$ 1,519.05
VIN	\$ 78.25	MV	\$ 1,236.00
E911	\$ 16,634.00	Forfeiture	\$ 156.70
PR Clearing	\$ 118.27		

At 9:55 with no further business, Joe Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mader. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at 8:00 in the courthouse foyer.

Attest:

County Clerk

Chairman