

Now on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October 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.

Shirley Niermeier, Treasurer, distributed the Delinquent Real Estate for Tax Sale documents. This was discussed with the board and Pratt. There are 18 parcels with three or more delinquent years of taxes. The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter financial report was distributed and the Abstract Balancing Report for the 2020 tax year. These reports were discussed.

Herskowitz and Pratt came to the table Pratt distributed a revised Mowing Agreement that was discussed. Herskowitz will finish revising the map and then in January it will be advertised for bid letting. Road conditions were discussed. Mader distributed a revised roofing bid from Aqua Shield for the schoolhouse located next to the museum. Cost for the roof is \$9,553. Mader made a motion to accept the bid in the amount of \$9,553. Wes Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. Mader will be in contact with Aqua Shield and ask what their timeline is for getting it done. There was discussion about the treating of prairie dogs and weeds. Herskowitz stated Curtis Higby would like to be on the agenda next week to discuss these things. Herskowitz will bring in quotes for cutting edges next week. The board discussed the Road Drag Agreement. The board agreed that the contractors who wanted the drag equipment will pay for them directly, the county will not pay for them and then ask for reimbursement.

At 8:52 Wes Bainter made a motion to enter into executive session for a period of 20 minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Present were the board, Pratt, Herskowitz and Bracht. The door opened at 9:11 with no decision being made.

Jim Myers entered the meeting to present the revised 2021 budget for the Sheridan County Hospital. This is due to more sales tax being collected than budgeted. If not amended, the hospital would not be able to receive their portion of the sales tax as it would be a budget violation. Wes Bainter made a motion to approve publishing the Amended Budget with the hearing date set for October 26, 2021 at 9:00 am. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Bids were delivered to Bracht from Brian Diercks, Undersheriff, for tires for the 2019 Dodge Ram. These were distributed to the board. The bids were not for the same tires nor in sealed envelopes. Bracht will remind all department heads that bids are to be delivered to the Clerk's office in sealed envelopes from the vendor. A bid was received from Colby Glass for a handicap door on the north side of the courthouse. The bid in the amount of \$3,210 was accepted on a motion from Mader and second from Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0. This bid was utilizing the existing door. Meyer Electric will take care of the electrical portion.

The Amendment to Tower Lease Agreement between the county and Eagle Broadband Investments LLC was approved and signed on a motion by Joe Bainter and second by Mader. Carried 3-0.

Mader made a motion the September 28, 2021 minutes be approved as presented. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Bracht will check and see if new lighting would be an expense that could be covered under the Relief Act for financing. This is just to change the bulbs used. Wes Bainter stated he had attended the school board meeting the previous week. Wes Bainter stated that Mike O'Dell and Trisha Hageman are doing a good job as public health.

At 10:00 with no further business, Wes Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 8:00 in the courthouse foyer.

Attest: *Scott Bracht*  
County Clerk



*Wesley Bainter*  
Chairman