

Now on this 7th day of March, 2023, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Mike "Buck" Mader presiding. Other members present were Joe Bainter, Kyle Ahlenstorf, Joe Pratt County Attorney and County Clerk Heather Bracht.

At 8:00 a.m. Mader called the meeting to order.

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor, Rodrigo Hernandez and Zander Nelson, Road & Bridge employees, came to the table. Herskowitz distributed two bids from JT Grader Service for work to be done on the redline east to Tasco Road. Work would include reshaping the shoulders. Gravel would be brought in. Mader made a motion to approve the two bids from JT Grader Service totaling \$7,000. Ahlenstorf seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Penco Engineering will be coming to measure the current landfill cell to verify if it is full enough. The new landfill cell is ready to begin using. Fill dirt will be brought in for pot holes on the golf course road and the trees and drainage issues will also be taken care of. A flair will be brought in for the culvert. Other roads and work being done were discussed. At 8:18, Mader made a motion to enter into executive session for a period of 15 minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. Present were the board, Herskowitz, Hernandez, Nelson, Pratt and Bracht. The door opened at 8:33 with no decision being made. Mader advised he had received a call about prairie dogs on 60E and 30S so Herskowitz will let Turley know to get there and start treating.

Don Koerperich, Emergency Manager, came to the table. Koerperich advised the board that the paperwork that had been completed for public assistance (if needed) when COVID hit is being closed out. Mader signed the document stating Sheridan County will not draw out any assistance. Koerperich reminded the board about the LEPC meeting on the 24th. On the 23rd a recovery tabletop will be held. A radiation tabletop was held in February. Koerperich will pull the old Geiger counter out to see if it works. Pipeline Association will hold their exercise this week with a meal prior to. All emergency personnel are invited to attend. Storm spotter training will be held next week. Koerperich stated the EOP expires the end of June. He will submit an updated EOP in May. Koerperich advised the board that as Emergency Manager the majority of his job is done at home/weekends. He just wanted to make sure the board was aware. There will be a school walk through Friday with an exercise in August for active shooter.

Dana Hess, Communications Director in Sheriff's office, came to the table to discuss purchasing a new server. Hess received another bid from A & S Technology in the amount of \$21,756. Hess advised the board that E911 funds could be used to purchase the service and pay the \$1,500 estimate for Interpol to integrate with it. Mader made a motion to purchase the server from A & S Technology, the off-site backup at \$100/month and the IT support at \$1,059/annually. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. A & S Technology was the low bid of the three others received.

Brian Diercks, Undersheriff, met to discuss the new Tahoe. Diercks first advised the board that Zeus (Sheriff Carver's personal dog) had been certified as a drug canine. They are currently working on getting a vest for him. Diercks advised that Carver and Zeus had attended a three day training. The board was not aware that another canine was needed. Diercks and the board discussed the 2023 Tahoe. Final cost with equipment is \$61,121.77. Mader made a motion seconded by Bainter to pay for the Tahoe out of the vehicle replacement fund, sheriff grants fund, ARPA money and the City of Hoxie/City of Selden contractual fund. Carried 3-0. \$2,000

of the final cost is a grant from KWORCC. Diercks advised the board they are looking at grants for four new dash cams. Cost is approximately \$6,000/each. Deputy Cousins has completed the first year of the DARE Program. The sheriff's office will have the bicycle school again on May 10 and will include Selden.

Pratt stated the oil hearing was approved to happen through zoom.

At 9:43, Mader made a motion to enter into executive session for a period of 15 minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. Present were the board, Bracht and Herskowitz. The door opened at 9:56 with no decision. Herskowitz advised the board the grader was back from Foley Equipment.

The board approved the Notice for Sale of House. This will be placed in the paper and the clerk's Facebook page. The notice for taking bids to remove the garage will be placed in the paper with a deadline for receiving bids of May 1.

Bainter made a motion to approve the letter of support for the Historical Society applying for the SPRINT grant as well as the "permission" letter for the Historical Society to proceed with plans for the building project to be located next to the current facility. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

The Treasurer tax add was approved on a motion by Mader and second by Bainter. Carried 3-0.

Ahlenstorf made a motion to approve the February 28, 2023 minutes as presented. Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

The board discussed vehicles for the sheriff's department.

At 10:18 a.m. with no further business, Mader made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bainter. Carried 2-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. in the commissioner room.

Attest: _____
County Clerk

Chairman