

Now on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Mike "Buck" Mader presiding. Other members present were Kyle Ahlenstorf, Joe Pratt County Attorney and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Guest was The Sheridan Sentinel.

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, came to the table. Herskowitz stated he had talked with Foley Tractor about a bill for repairs to a grader that seemed higher than expected. He advised Foley Tractor to please let him know when a bill will be that high in the future. A couple of applications have been received but Herskowitz feels we are in a good position as far as employees. Herskowitz presented three Sand and Gravel Lease Contracts for approval and signature. These are two-year contracts at \$1.00/yd. The board and Herskowitz discussed millings owed to Hoxie Feedyard from when the road work was done. Herskowitz will contact Jef at KDOT and find out when we will get the next load of millings and he will just have them delivered to PSI. A bill was received for damages to a vehicle on a county road which the board rejected paying and a bill for dirt work on a road which had not been approved first so was rejected. Herskowitz advised the cement culverts for a bridge should be delivered on Wednesday. If the weather is good, they will be delivered to the bridge. If raining, they will be delivered to the landfill. The grader class has been moved to next week. Herskowitz stated the flagpole has been put up at the Selden EMS building. Dirt is still being moved and the cell being worked on at the landfill. There was discussion about bridges that need work done. Herskowitz will talk with Penco Engineering about a bridge at 150S/130E and see if they agree about working on it first. The fire department used the county tanker over the weekend for a fire. The individuals who have CDL's were out of town except one. It was discussed that employees need to get CDL's as is stated in the handbook.

Pratt discussed the cash offer that was made on the house. The board agreed on a counteroffer which Bracht will relay to Mike Weimer. There is a question on the Sheridan County Environmental Sanitation Code that was approved by the board in 2021. Bracht will contact NWLEPG and have them come in and clarify the question. The board discussed the work to be done on Sheridan Ave. to 10W and the percentage the city and county would actually pay.

Don Rivera, Western KS Child Advocacy Center came to the table. Rivera discussed the services they provide. Western KS Child Advocacy Center is requesting their budget remain at \$5,000 for 2024.

Shirley Niermeier, Treasurer, came to the table and distributed the first quarter financial information. Niermeier reviewed and discussed the numbers. Niermeier advised the board that she has collected 77% of the taxes so basically the cash we have is all there is until the end of the year. The board and Niermeier discussed several funds.

Mader made a motion to approve the April 18, 2023 minutes as presented. Ahlenstorf seconded. Carried 2-0.

The April 21, 2023 payroll was approved on a motion by Ahlenstorf and second by Mader. Carried 2-0.

Several warrants were discussed. Ahlenstorf made a motion to approve the April 28, 2023 warrants as presented, seconded by Mader. Carried 2-0.

The following payroll and warrants were approved and signed by the board:

General	\$ 114,002.13	Road & Bridge	\$ 67,552.54
Noxious Weed	\$ 2,952.84	Public Transp	\$ 2,463.56
Tech Fund	\$ 7.75	Forfeiture	\$ 90.00
Special Hwy	\$ 4,000.00	Tech Fund (ROD)	\$ 866.19
E911	\$ 2,483.73	Landfill	\$ 4,353.22

At 10:19 a.m. with no further business, Mader made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ahlenstorf. Carried 2-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. in the commissioner room.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk

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Chairman