

Now on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 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 via speaker phone, County Attorney Joe Pratt 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 presented quotes from Welborn Sales and J & J Drainage Products for 24’x40’ culverts. Mader made a motion, seconded by Bainter, to accept the low bid for 15-24’x40’ culverts from Welborn Sales in the amount of \$15,450. Carried 3-0. Herskowitz advised the board that everyone is still grading, fixing holes and washouts. This will continue until it rains again. At 8:09 Bainter made a motion to enter into executive session for a period of 20 minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Mader seconded. Carried 3-0. Present were the board, Herskowitz, Bracht and Pratt. The door opened at 8:26. There was discussion about the road at 160S/80E. The road is currently closed but needs opened so an individual can get to his crops. The location is 35-10-27. The request is to open 3/4 mile on 80S so individual has access for wheat harvest.

Pratt presented the Contract for Appellate Services which he signed to be sent to the Attorney General’s Office. This allows for another attorney to step in for an appellate case.

Bracht presented a support letter to the Patterson Family Foundation for First Steps Daycare c/o USD #412. Mader made a motion to approve and sign the letter seconded by Bainter. Carried 3-0. The Sales Contract Agreement was approved and signed by the board for 1241 Pine. Bracht advised the board that information was received from KCAMP, the county’s property and liability insurance carrier advising the premium will increase for 2024 so budget accordingly. Bracht will check with another insurance carrier some other counties are with.

At 9:00 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 Pratt. The door opened at 9:15 with no decision.

Mader made a motion to approve the June 13, 2023 minutes as presented and the June 16, 2023 payroll. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0.

Ahlenstorf exited the meeting.

Jim Myers, CPA, came to the table and distributed a first draft of the 2024 budget. The different funds and line items were discussed with some changes made. Bracht will contact Myers later and advise of the numbers the different departments are requesting for personal services and expenditures. Myers will come back on July 11, 2023 and present the revised budget and hopefully schedule the public hearing.

The following payroll was reviewed and approved by the board:

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| General      | \$ 82,768.92 | Road & Bridge  | \$ 26,906.65 |
| Noxious Weed | \$ 1,855.45  | Public Transp. | \$ 991.50    |
| Landfill     | \$ 1,720.35  |                |              |

At 10:16 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, June 27, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. in the commissioner room.

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

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Chairman