

Now on this 26th day of January, 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. Guests were Doyle Kauk, Carolyn Meyer and The Sheridan Sentinel.

Wes Bainter called the meeting to order.

Pratt stated he had a letter prepared for Arthur Hirdler regarding the land by Bridge #57. Pratt had visited with Joe Herskowitz about the right-of-way mowing agreement. The board had received the rough draft of this document which included a bid form, color map and document which reflected when bills are due to the clerk for payment. A notice will be placed in the paper. Bids will be received until noon on Monday, February 22. The county reserves the right to refuse any bid.

Tire bids were received from Allie Repair, Weis Tire and Bainter Oil for four tires for the pickup used by the Appraiser's office. Mader made a motion to purchase four Firestone Transforce AT2 tires from Weis Tire at a cost of \$172.00/tire. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. This was the low bid for that tire. Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the abatement made to a parcel after a payment under protest hearing. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Signature card documents were signed for Equity Bank and First State Bank.

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor, came to the table. Herskowitz stated that he will have information from Penco Engineering at next weeks meeting pertaining to bridges. Some of the bills were discussed. Another employee has been hired. Herskowitz stated that overtime should be stopping due to the snow.

The board, by consensus, stated that all new hires for the county, no matter the department, will be subject to a pre-employment physical and drug test. Bracht will check with Jessica Campbell and see what she can do. The board feels that KCAMP which is the liability insurance for the county and KWORCC, workman's comp insurance, is very expensive. Bracht will call and get comparative prices prior to renewal and will check with other clerk's whose county might not have KCAMP and KWORCC and see who they use.

At 8:40, Wes Bainter made a motion to enter in to executive session for a period of 15 minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Present were the board, Bracht and Pratt. The door opened at 8:55 with no decision being made.

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

Mindy Harting, Sheridan County Appraiser, entered the meeting. Harting asked about using a mail service for all the mailings they do in her office. Harting feels it will save the county a lot of time and money. The board agreed they are fine with that decision. Harting stated she believes they will make the March 1 deadline and will not have to file for an extension with the state. At 9:08, Joe Bainter made a motion, seconded by Wes Bainter, to enter in to executive session for a period of one hour for the purpose of conducting interviews for the position of Appraisal Clerk. Carried 3-0. Present were the board, Bracht and Harting. The door opened at 10:03. Harting will contact the applicant she decided to hire.

Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the January 19, 2021 minutes as presented. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

The following warrants were approved:

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| General | \$ 129,191.73 | Road & Bridge | \$ 51,931.24 |
| Spec Mach | \$ 316,842.05 | Tech Fund | \$ 110.13 |
| E911 | \$ 1,368.96 | Nox Weed | \$ 3,935.00 |
| Public Health | \$ 410.65 | Stray | \$ 48.00 |
| Publ Trnsp | \$ 178.45 | Conceal Carry | \$ 95.00 |

No further business, Wes Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 8:00 in the courthouse foyer.

Attest: _____
County Clerk

Chairman