

Now on this 14th day of February, 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. 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 would like Rodrigo Hernandez to attend the Household Hazardous Waste conference in Junction City March 21-23. Tim Williams might also be attending. Culvert quotes were received from J & J Drainage in the amount of \$56,916.90 and from Welborn Sales in the amount of \$21,547.32. These quotes are for multiple sizes. Mader made a motion to accept the estimate from Welborn Sales in the amount of \$21,547.32. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. Herskowitz distributed information from Penco Engineering pertaining to the “Kinderknecht” bridge in the southeast part of the county. A quote was received from McPherson Concrete for two – 36 x 42 precast concrete culverts and four end sections in the amount of \$11,557.12. Bainter made a motion to accept the bid from McPherson Concrete seconded by Ahlenstorf. Carried 3-0. The board discussed multiple roads. CAT contacted Herskowitz and stated the grader should be repaired by the end of the week. Bids were received from Town & Country and Bainter Oil for Ironman AT 10 Ply tires. Mader made a motion to accept the low bid from Bainter Oil in the amount of \$165.00/ea and to order eight tires. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. The board and Herskowitz discussed some payroll questions.

Pratt advised the board that the tenant has moved everything out of the garage at the home located at 1241 Pine and he has a couple lined up to clean out/up the house. Cost is \$20/hr per person. Mader made a motion to approve the individuals cleaning the house at a cost of \$20/hr. Ahlenstorf seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. The plumber will be contacted about installing a shut off valve at the washer. A notice will be placed in the paper for sealed bids for the removal of the garage. The notice in the paper for the sale of the house will state to contact the Clerk to set up a time to view. Bracht, Mader and Ahlenstorf will all be available to show the house to potential buyers. Pratt reviewed the Resolution pertaining to the two tracts of land owned by the county that will be turned over to the adjoining landowners.

Viktorija Briggs, owner of The Sheridan Sentinel, came to the table. Information was distributed to the board pertaining to a plan for trails in Sheridan County. These plans are being coordinated with Sheridan County Economic Development. Briggs and the board discussed the plans and what a trail would mean for Sheridan County. Briggs stated they believe a trail will bring individuals into Hoxie. 99.9% of the funding will come from grants and personal donations of time and money. Briggs is asking for a letter of support for the idea.

The Video Service Agreement (VSA) with NexTech was approved and signed by the board on a motion by Ahlenstorf and second by Bainter. Carried 3-0. This Agreement was initially signed in 2007 and has remained in effect.

The board discussed remaining in the Kansas Natural Resource Coalition. Ahlenstorf made a motion to remain in the group and to pay the 2023 membership dues of \$5,000. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

The February 7, 2023 minutes were approved as amended on a motion by Bainter and second by Ahlenstorf. Carried 3-0.
Mader made a motion to approve the February 10, 2023 payroll as presented. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0.

Mader made a motion to approve the February 14, 2023 warrants as presented seconded by Ahlenstorf. Carried 3-0.

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

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| General | \$ 62,379.22 | Road & Bridge | \$ 55,409.53 |
| Public Trans | \$ 1,203.05 | Nox Weed | \$ 1,921.41 |
| VIN | \$ 63.38 | | |

At 9:10 a.m. with no further business, Mader made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bainter. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. in the commissioner room.

Attest: _____
County Clerk

Chairman