

Now on this 24th day of October, 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 Bainter, 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 and Evan Turley, Noxious Weed Director came to the table. Herskowitz presented a bid from Foley Equipment in the amount of \$9,425.64 to work on the CAT Grader #256. This work would include the tandem drive and injector unit. Ahlenstorf made a motion to accept the bid from Foley Equipment in the amount of \$9,425.64 for repair work to be done on the CAT Grader #256. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. There was discussion on maintenance of equipment. Herskowitz advised the board that all blades are at the shop getting ready for winter. Penco Engineering will get the survey paperwork back to Herskowitz on the Grinnell Road soon. Bids were presented from Adam Teeter for road work on 90S from 80W to the county line. The work would consist of pulling shoulders, elevating, general road work including culverts. This would be done in three different timeframes. Mader made a motion to approve the bid for the work to be done on 90S/80-100W at a cost of \$11,500. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. There was a discussion about roads, culverts and mowing. Turley presented another bid for a pickup from Hoxie Implement. The board discussed that quote along with the previous quotes. Mader felt they should hold off making a decision. Herskowitz will look at the vehicle inventory again but feels they are short a pickup, especially with a new employee starting next week. Turley presented bids for prairie dog bait. Van Diest had low bid of \$1.64/lb. Mader made a motion approving the purchase of 2,000 pounds of prairie dog bait at a cost of \$3,280. Ahlenstorf seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

Joe Pratt came the table. Pratt briefly discussed the KDOT meeting held in Hays for work to be done on Hwy 23 South. Pratt stated Sheridan County is a high priority for the seven miles starting at the south end of main street. Pratt will contact a contracted mower about his mowing agreement. The board was advised by Pratt that he is trying to finish up the tax sale.

At 9:00 Mader made a motion to enter into executive session for a period of one hour for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. Present were the board, Bracht and Kaufman. The door opened at 10:00 with no decision being made. The board discussed the EMS Director candidate briefly. The camera quote was reviewed by the board. Mader made a motion to approve the purchase of four new cameras for the EMS building, paid for out of the ARPA funds, at a cost of \$2,080. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. Kaufman advised the board the regional EMR class has been put on hold for the time being.

Ahlenstorf made a motion, seconded by Bainter to approve the October 17, 2023 minutes as presented. Carried 3-0.

The October 20, 2023 minutes of the special meeting were approved on a motion by Mader and second by Bainter.

Ahlenstorf made a motion to approve the October 20, 2023 payroll as presented. Mader seconded. Carried 2-0.

The following payroll was approved and signed by the board:

General	\$ 78,057.61	Road & Bridge	\$ 26,629.22
Nox. Weed	\$ 2,065.25	Public Transp.	\$ 1,064.50
Landfill	\$ 1,857.96	MV	\$ 1,235.10

At 10:33 a.m. with no further business, Ahlenstorf made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mader. Carried 2-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, October 31, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. in the commissioner room.

Attest: _____
County Clerk

Chairman