

Now on this 14th day of May, 2024, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Mike "Buck" Mader presiding. Other members present were Joe Bainter, David Stithem, Harry 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 presented information for new signposts for the 911 signs. Stithem made a motion to approve the purchase of 50-2"x2"x12' upright 14-gauge posts at a cost of \$66.00/each and 20 – 10' green U-channel posts at a cost of \$32.00/each from Barco. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. A bid was received from JT Grader Service in the amount of \$4,000 for work on 110W from Hwy 24 to the old hwy. (two miles). The work would include cleaning ditches and shoulder work as well as bringing in materials to build up the crown. Mader made a motion to approve the bid from JT Grader Service in the amount of \$4,000 seconded by Bainter. Carried 3-0. Bids were received from Great Western Tire, Town & Country and Bainter Oil for tires. Stithem made a motion to purchase 12-LT245/75R17 Ironman tires at a cost of \$158.00/each and two-11R225 GY Marathon tires at a cost of \$378.61 each from Great Western Tire. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. These were the lowest bid. A culvert washed out at 130S/140E so the road is barricaded until it is taken care of. The excavator has some problems but all the issues are under warranty. At 8:25 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, Bracht, Pratt and Herskowitz. The door opened at 8:45 with no decision being made.

Joe Pratt stated he spoke with Justin Armknecht, City Superintendent, and the city will mow the Swap Shop on the west side. Pratt is still trying to contact Gary Meier about the bins on the south side of Sheridan Ave. on the golf course. The letter pertaining to mowing was reviewed by the board.

At 9:00 am Jerol DeBoer, Penco Engineering, came to the table. Justin Armknecht and Rob Percival from Bettis Asphalt were also available. Mader opened bids for work to be done on Sheridan Ave. from 9<sup>th</sup> Street west to 10W. APAC's base estimate was \$1,218,692.72. The two additives to do road work from Hwy 24 south to the cemetery was \$354,427.50 and from the cemetery south to Scott Foote's house was \$583,843.00. The two additives would be at the cost of the landowners on 10W. Bettis Asphalt had a base estimate of \$815,168. The estimate from Hwy 24 south to the cemetery was \$220,697.00 and from the cemetery south to Scott Foote's home \$385,063.60. Again, the work on 10W would be at the expense of the landowners. On the advise of DeBoer, the acceptance of the bids was tabled until Penco Engineering has had time to do bid tabs. The project would be set to start in the spring of 2025.

By consensus the board approved the rent assistance program with Harvest America.

Mader made a motion to approve the May 7, 2024 minutes as amended. Stithem seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

On a motion by Bainter and second by Stithem, the May 14, 2024 warrants were approved as presented. Carried 3-0.

At 9:25, Bainter made a motion to enter into executive session for a period of 15 minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Stithem seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Present were the board and Bracht. At 9:40, Mader made a motion to extend the executive session for a period of 15 min. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. The door opened at 9:56 with no decision being made.

The following warrants were approved:

General	\$ 6,687.72	Road & Bridge	\$ 21,539.13
Nox Weed	\$ 297.76	Public Transp	\$ 38.05

At 10:03 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, May 21, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. in the commissioner room.

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

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Chairman