

January 30, 2019

The Keith County Board of Commissioners met for their regular meeting at the Courthouse in Ogallala. Chairman Elder asked those attending to join in a moment of silence in support of the leaders and troops serving our country, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Roll call was answered by Chairman Kim Elder and Commissioners Lane Anderson, Corey Crandall, Joan Ervin and Toney Krajewski. Also attending the meeting were County Clerk Sandra Olson and the media. Ervin moved to approve the agenda, Crandall seconded the motion. Anderson, Krajewski, Crandall, Ervin and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Krajewski moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, Anderson seconded the motion. Ervin, Crandall, Anderson, Krajewski and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Ervin moved to approve the payment of claims pending discussion, Krajewski seconded the motion. County Attorney Randy Fair entered the meeting. The Board questioned Fair how the funeral home was chosen for county burials as the last three county burials were to the same funeral home. Fair stated that the funeral homes were on a rotation unless the family chose a certain funeral home. Roll call on the claims was as follows: Crandall, Anderson, Krajewski, Ervin and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Salaries – \$148,218.68

General Fund

Albertsons/Safeway, Prisoner Board, pregnancy test, \$300.53; Gregory J. Beal, Alternate Public Defender, \$3,147.75; Charter Communications, Charter fees, \$11.23; Cody's Auto Repair, Vehicle service, \$53.49; Richard Colson, Mileage, lodging, \$242.35; Culligan, Water, \$13.00; DAS State Acctg-Central Finance, Law enforcement network lease, \$704.00; Dawson County Sheriff, Service, inmate lodging \$1,998.00; Draucker Funeral Home, County burial, \$2,250.00; Eakes Office Solutions, Copier charge, \$212.11; Garden County Sheriff's Office, Inmate lodging, \$3,500.00; Keith County Court, Uncollectible costs, \$1,771.00; Keith County District Court, Docket fees, \$324.00; Keith County Sheriff, Sheriff fees, \$1,359.19; Kent's Towing and Repair, Towing, \$100.00; MCM Truck Repair, Towing, \$881.00; MIPS, 1099 forms, \$8.02; Nebraska Health and Human Services, Lincoln Regional Center, \$195.00; Nebraska Printworks, Business cards, \$20.90; NPZA, Registration fee, \$190.00; NPPD, Service, \$169.94; O'Keefe Elevator, Maintenance, \$290.72; Ogallala Volunteer Fire Dept., Inmate transport, \$600.20; Orkin Inc., Pest control, \$108.58; Pinnacle Bank, Charges, \$2,179.95; Quality Farm & Ranch, Supplies, \$176.91; "R" Tire & Alignment, Tires, oil change, \$903.05; RR Donnelley, Citations, \$60.56; Snell Services, Tuning boiler, \$1,036.90; Software Unlimited Corporation, Maintenance, \$3,168.00; U-Save Pharmacy, Inmate prescriptions, \$1,428.17; Western Resources Group, Shredding, \$42.60

Road/Bridge Fund

MC Schaff & Assoc., Services, \$8,180.00; NPPD, Service, \$150.02

CBSA Health Insurance Claim Fund

KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$33,901.90; KC Clerk/Flex Claims Account, Flex claims, \$729.57

Drug Fund

Keith County Sheriff, Refill kit, \$264.99

Keno Fund

Heartland Philanthropy - Fireworks, Funding, \$6,000.00; Keith County Clerk, 4th qtr. fees, \$537.76; Western Resources Group, Recyclables, \$140.00

Emergency Phone 911 Fund

ATC Communications, Data circuits, \$118.14; CenturyLink, Service, \$161.84; Consolidate, Address maintenance, \$36.00

Wireless 911 Service Fund

CenturyLink, Service, \$689.94

The Board heard reports from Sheriff Jeff Stevens, Highway Superintendent Tim Ryan, Clerk of the District Court Tina DeVoe and Emergency Manager Elizabeth Sillasen.

Board reports were given and correspondence received. Krajewski moved to approve the travel request of Highway Superintendent Tim Ryan to attend a Nebraska Asphalt conference, Anderson seconded the motion. Crandall, Ervin, Anderson, Krajewski and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

The Board heard from Nick with Adams Construction regarding a project in Keith County Adams Construction would like to bid. Nick told the Board he needed approval to use a certain road for Adams Construction vehicles to travel over before they could even bid the project. No action was taken on this.

Keep Keith County Beautiful Director Chris Vail spoke to the Board regarding applying for a grant and using the yard at the County's shop for a tire amnesty. Elder told Vail that she had the Board's approval for this.

Emergency Manager Elizabeth Sillasen spoke to the Board again about her and EOC Director Laurie Hood's request to allow Caleb Johnson to be retained to help them finish up projects he had begun for them while serving as County Commissioner. Johnson spoke to the Board about what he felt an agreement for this would entail. No action was taken on this.

There was not an executive session for the Professional Services Agreement.

The Board recessed to do a jail inspection.

Emergency Manager Elizabeth Sillasen presented the Board with a draft of the salaried employee policy. Anderson moved to approve this policy, Krajewski seconded the motion. Crandall, Ervin, Krajewski, Anderson and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

There was not an executive session for the Keith County lawsuit.

Attorney Brock Wurl spoke to the Board regarding the Keith County insurance lawsuit settlement. Anderson said he wanted it on record that he felt that the County should enter into the settlement agreement and pursue getting the money back. Krajewski moved to accept the Memorandum of Understanding in the amount of \$500,000.00 to come out of the Inheritance Tax Fund, Crandall seconded the motion. Anderson, Ervin, Crandall, Krajewski and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

The Board discussed jail housing conditions.

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned. The Board will meet again Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Ogallala.

Chairman
Kim Elder

County Clerk
Sandra K. Olson

Agenda: Kept current in the office of the County Clerk. *Time of specific agenda items will run continuously thru the meeting and may occur earlier or later than estimated.

Unfinished Business

9:00 a.m. – Executive session – Professional Services Agreement.

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Executive session - Keith County lawsuit settlement.

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New Business

Ron Schmidt – Ogallala Rotary Kayak Big Mac event.

Discussion on jail overcrowding options.

Sick and vacation hours.