

## September 25, 2019

The Keith County Board of Commissioners met for their regular meeting at the Courthouse in Ogallala. Roll call was answered by Chairman Kim Elder and Commissioners Corey Crandall, Toney Krajewski, Joan Ervin and Lane Anderson. Chairman Elder asked those attending to join in a moment of silence in support of emergency responders and armed forces serving our country followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Elder acknowledged the Open Meeting Act was posted. 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. Crandall, Anderson, Krajewski and Elder voting aye; Ervin abstain; none voting nay; motion carried. Anderson moved to approve the payment of all claims except claims for Gary Burke in the amount of \$200.00, Dr. Matt Byrd in the amount of \$222.85 and Tina DeVoe in the amount of \$200.00 pending clarification, Krajewski seconded the motion. Ervin, Crandall, Krajewski, Anderson and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

### **General Fund**

Banner Health, Inmate hospital visits, \$250.50; Cash-Wa, Prisoner Board, supplies, Commissary, provisions, \$996.30; Central NE Cremation & Mortuary, Fee, transport, \$1,428.00; Central Nebraska Reporting, Depositions copies, \$50.00; CHS Grainland, Fuel, \$124.37; Richard Colson, Mileage, \$221.56; Culligan, Water, \$13.00; Dept. Correctional Svcs, Safekeeper billing, medical, \$11,136.79; DAS-State Acct - Central Finance, AS400 hosting, \$30.88; Eakes, Supplies, \$112.22; Encartele, Inmate phone card, \$260.00; Derek Engles, Witness fee, \$20.00; Keith County District Court, Docket fee, \$108.00; Keith County Housing Dev Corp, Funding assistance, \$5,000.00; Keith County Senior Center, Funding assistance, \$10,000.00; Keith County Sheriff, Sheriff's fees, \$20.00; Kenfield Electric, Senior Center repairs, \$58.31; Kent's Towing, Towing, \$375.00; Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, Services, \$21.05; MIPS, Cards for timeclocks, \$136.67; NACA, Dues, \$50.00; Nebraska Printworks, FedEx shipping, \$12.32; Nebraska Secretary of State, Notary renewal, \$30.00; NPPD, Service, \$303.96; Office Service, Supplies, \$148.54; Paxton Public Library, Funding assistance, \$3,000.00; Perkins County Sheriff, Fees, \$18.50; Pinnacle Bank, Charges, \$3,429.88; PowerTech, Batteries, \$986.30; Juan Rodriguez, Witness fee, \$20.00; Security Transport Services, Transport prisoner, \$1,367.20; Elizabeth Sillasen, Fuel, lodging, meals, \$161.34; Verizon, Service, \$579.03; Donald D. Wilson, Auditor, \$9,400.00

### **Road & Bridge Fund**

Contractor Services Inc., Paint striping, \$31,500.00; Nebraska Salt & Grain, Ice slicer, \$8,435.97; NPPD, Service, \$142.60; Dean Schow Family Trust, Bulk water, \$100.00; Verizon, Service, \$43.58

### **Visitors Fund**

Flagship Publishing, Advertising, \$2,950.00; The Grand Island Independent, State Fair Preview Guide, \$610.00; Great Plains Marketing, Ads, \$2,160.00; Keith County Ag Society, Grant request, \$7,780.00; Keith County News, Meeting notice, \$7.20; Lonergan Creek Media, Contract, \$1,400.00; NPPD, Service, \$83.35; Broadcast House Media, Froggy radio, \$782.50; Ogallala/Keith County Chamber of Commerce, Grant request, contract, mileage, lodging, meals, postage, \$7,886.92; Prairie Mountain, Facebook ads, \$500.00; Village of Paxton, Grant request, \$1,450.00

### **Visitors Improvement Fund**

Lonergan Creek Media, Contract, fee, \$1,519.27; Midwest Electric, Service, \$107.08; Move Creative, App maintenance, \$825.00; NPPD, Service, \$62.89; Ogallala/Keith County Chamber of Commerce, Contract, tablecloths, \$2,052.92

### **CBSA Health Insurance Claims Fund**

KC Clerk/Flex Claims Account, Flex claims, \$1,536.58; KC CBSA/Health Insurance Fund, Health claims, \$10,302.30

### **Inheritance Tax Fund**

Sandhills Crisis Intervention Program, Funding assistance, \$10,000.00; CASA, Funding assistance, \$10,000.00

### **Keno Fund**

Keep Keith County Beautiful, Funding assistance, \$2,000.00; Keith County Historical Society, Funding assistance, \$3,500.00; Keith/Arthur County Food Pantry, Funding assistance, \$2,000.00;

Ogallala/Keith County Chamber of Commerce, Funding assistance, \$4,500.00; Western Resources Group, Paper shredding, \$112.40

**Emergency Phone 911 Fund**

Consolidated, Address maintenance, \$36.00; Pinnacle Bank, Monitor, \$47.99

**Wireless 911 Services Fund**

Pinnacle Bank, Monitors, \$251.98

The Board heard the reports of Highway Superintendent Tim Ryan and Head Jailer Abe Magana.

The Board received correspondence and gave reports.

Ervin moved to declare the list presented by Head Jailer Abe Magana surplus and allow him to dispose of these items, Krajewski seconded the motion. Anderson, Crandall, Krajewski, Ervin and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Ervin told the Board she had spoken to WCNDD Director CJ Poltack about the WCNDD nuisance contract. Poltack said she had spoken to Attorney Phil Pierce and he had agreed to create the regulations for the pilot program in Keystone for \$2,500.00 and that she would request that the County pay \$500.00 of that fee. Ervin stated since the nuisance contract would be for \$7,300.00 the total cost to the County for the Keystone pilot program would be \$7,800.00. Ervin moved to proceed with the pilot program, Krajewski seconded the motion. Anderson, Crandall, Krajewski, Ervin and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

The dates for the agenda items of Glenn Pelster HR audit in executive and open session had gotten mixed up and are scheduled for next week under unfinished business.

Ervin spoke briefly on the DHHS space assessment. Ervin said that the new building as is would not provide adequate space for DHHS.

Crandall talked to the Board regarding backup software consideration. Crandall stated he had spoken to Five Nines regarding this and that they had recommended the County purchase a server from Qnap in the amount of \$1,690.00. Crandall stated this server would be by itself and off the network therefore more secure. Krajewski moved to approve this purchase, Ervin seconded the motion. Crandall, Anderson, Ervin, Krajewski and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Crandall stated the purchase would come out of Data Processing, Capital Outlay and line item 5-0508 (Network Equipment – Routers, Switches).

The Board and several elected and appointed officials discussed the employee personnel manual. The Board and officials came to agreements on all points of discussion for the manual except the sick leave maximum and being paid out for comp and vacation time.

Raymond Meyers and Spencer Thomas with Novo Benefits appeared before the Board to discuss and explain the Novo Benefits – Renewal Schedule of Services and fees, the Novo Benefits Client Services Agreement, the Meritain Health Summary of Material Modification and Amendment #3 to the Keith County Employee Benefit Plan Group No. 12315 and the Meritain Health Amendment to the Administrative Services Agreement.

Ervin moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the Novo Benefits Renewal Schedule of Services and fees, Crandall seconded the motion. Krajewski, Anderson, Crandall, Ervin and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Ervin moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the Novo Benefits Client Services Agreement, Crandall seconded the motion. Krajewski, Anderson, Crandall, Ervin and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Ervin moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the Meritain Health Summary of Material Modification and Amendment #3 to the Keith County Employee Benefit Plan Group No. 12315, Crandall seconded the motion. Anderson, Krajewski, Crandall, Ervin and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. Krajewski moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the Meritain Health Amendment to the Administrative Services Agreement, Ervin seconded the motion. Crandall, Anderson, Ervin, Krajewski and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried.

Ogallala/Keith County Chamber Director Karla Scott updated the Board on last week's Visitors Committee meeting.

As County Attorney Randy Fair was not present the executive and open sessions for the Keith County lawsuit – Novo Benefits and Dialysis PPO were tabled and placed on next week's agenda at 10:00 a.m.

County Treasurer Ronda Johnson appeared before the Board with a resolution for the Board to direct the County Treasurer to place the list of names and delinquent taxes two years old and uncollectible on the stricken list. Ervin moved to adopt the resolution, Anderson seconded the motion. Krajewski, Crandall, Anderson, Ervin and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. This resolution will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2019-67.

Johnson also appeared before the Board with a resolution for the Board of Commissioners to direct the County Treasurer to place Tax Sale Certificates on all delinquent taxes and subsequent years, to maintain such Certificates in her custody and to purchase all subsequent taxes thereon as the same may become delinquent. Anderson moved to adopt this resolution, Krajewski seconded the motion. Ervin, Crandall, Krajewski, Anderson and Elder voting aye; none voting nay; motion carried. This resolution will be filed in the Resolution Book as number 2019-68.

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned. The Board will meet again Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. at the Courthouse in Ogallala.

\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ County Clerk  
Kim Elder 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 later than estimated.

**Unfinished Business**

8:30 a. m. – Executive Session - Glenn Pelster HR audit.

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10:00 a.m. – Executive Session – Keith County lawsuit – Novo Benefits and Dialysis PPO.

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**New Business**