



# Sioux County Board Minutes



Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

January 2, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room January 2, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. J.W. Geiser opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2019 meeting. On roll call vote Skavdahl, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 37,855.65; Adam's Lock & Key, remote, 70.00; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 274.75; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,534.77/employee share, 1,725.05; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 224.02; Cozad Signs, decals, 250.00; Crawford Clipper, publications, 153.70; Crites & Shaffer Law Office, court-appointed attorney, 1,368.81; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Fairfield Inn & Suites, rooms, 1,439.60; Shauna Gortsema, witness fees, 57.12; Hampton Inn, room, 439.80; Herren Brothers, supplies, 15.27; Lacy Klein, mileage, 389.76; Mailfinance, postage meter, 840.00; Chad McCumbers, radio repair, 34.91/ tires, 582.96/ supplies, 62.74/ fuel, 26.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,212.04; Mobius Communications, phone, 229.83; MOCIC, sheriff membership, 100.00; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, dues, 1,161.96; National Association of Counties, dues, 450.00; NE Clerks of District Court, Assn., dues, 50.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,001.44; NEA, electricity, 1,525.43; Jennifer Nixon, mileage, 124.12/meals, 50.00; Northwest Auto Body & Paint, Charger updates, 2,270.34; Nossaman Pettit Law Firm, P.C., court-appointed attorney, 269.25; Outlaw Printers, printing, 54.99; Panhandle Research & Ext., state car, ext., 44.74; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 350.52; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,058.42/employee share social security, 2,058.42/county share medicare 481.44/employee share medicare, 481.44/ withholding, 2,230.91; Sioux County Court, fees, 134.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Sioux County Treasurer, title sheriff vehicle, 10.00; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 20.97/ postage, 6.85/ filing fee, 50.00/ witness fees, 719.10; TGS Manufacturing, supplies, 257.00; Shelly Thomas, witness fees, 136.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 6,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 30,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 86.09; Viaero Wireless, phone, 78.38; Village of Harrison, utilities, 339.84; Village of Harrison, swimming pool, 1,000.00; Vistabeam, 63.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 437.90/ meals, 18.31.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 26,915.90; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 462.02; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 203.46; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,775.33/employee share retirement, 1,183.51; B & C Steel, supplies, 301.03; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 15,654.24; Centurylink, internet, 59.73; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel & oil, 3,389.47; Floyd's Truck Center, repairs, 9,420.90; Frank Parts, parts, 115.93; Herren's, supply, 706.09; Herren's – Crawford, supplies, 27.97; Ideal Linen, rugs, 33.95; Colleen Mitchell, gravel, 702.00; Morrill Hardware, supplies 27.98; Motor Fuel Division, fuel tax, 213.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 464.00; NE Dept. of Transportation, supplies, 262.35; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 3,054.14; Nebraskaland Tire, tires, 3,226.09; NEA, electric, 171.78; Panhandle Coop System, supplies, 2,060.24; Powerplan, repairs, 2,027.39; Red Barn Shop, LLC, pipe, 15.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 2,389.74; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,437.43/employee



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share social security, 1,437.43/county share medicare, 336.18/employee share medicare, 336.18/withholding, 818.57; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 216.65; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 401.29; Village of Harrison, utility, 94.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 109.56; Vulcan, Inc., signs, 320.63; WPCI, drug testing, 75.00.

VISITOR PROMOTIONS FUND: Omaha Magazine, advertisement, 515.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,384.24; Amazon, supplies, 413.59; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 93.44/employee share retirement, 62.29; Book Systems, Inc., subscription, 1,190.00; Centurylink, phone/internet, 148.38; Herren's supplies, 9.49; Junior Library Guild, books, 316.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 57.58; NEA, electricity, 219.32; Security First Bank, county share social security, 85.82/employee share social security 85.82/county share medicare, 20.07/employee share medicare 20.07/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 55.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,107.86; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 209.78/employee share retirement, 139.85; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 59.73; Herren Brothers, supplies, 30.56; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 27.64; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 139.20; Security First Bank, county share social security, 164.74/employee share social security, 164.74/county share medicare, 38.53/employee share medicare, 38.53/ withholding, 150.00.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Motion made by Hal Downer seconded by J. W. Geiser to appoint Joshua Skavdahl as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for 2020. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to designate sioux.mipsweb.info as the county's official website for 2020. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to designate the Crawford Clipper/Harrison Sun as the county's official newspaper for all publications for 2020. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve Security First Bank as the county depository for 2020. Upon roll call vote, Geiser, yes, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Upon a motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer, the following appointments were adopted for 2020.

Aging Agency of Western Nebraska – Rep. Allerton Hal Downer, alternate Joshua Skavdahl; Region 1 Office of Human Development – Rep. Joshua Skavdahl, alternate Allerton Hal Downer; Panhandle Development Disabilities Services – Joshua Skavdahl, alternate Allerton Hal Downer; Panhandle Mental Health Board – Rep. Allerton Hal Downer, alternate Joshua Skavdahl; Panhandle Public Health District – Rep. Allerton Hal Downer and J. Adam Edmund; Solid Waste Agency of Northwest Nebraska – Rep. J.W. Geiser, alternate Allerton Hal Downer; Northwest Community Action Board – Rep. J.W. Geiser, alternate Allerton Hal Downer or Josh Skavdahl; Region 23 Emergency Management board – Rep. J.W. Geiser, alternate Allerton Hal Downer or Joshua Skavdahl; Panhandle Resource Conservation & Development Board – Rep. Josh Skavdahl, alternate Allerton Hal Downer. PADD – Rep. Josh Skavdahl, alternate Hal Downer.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the following Legal Holidays:

New Year's Day– Wednesday, January 1, 2020



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Martin Luther King, Jr., Day – Monday, January 20, 2020

President's Day – Monday, February 17, 2020

Arbor Day – Friday, April 24, 2020

Memorial Day – Monday, May 25, 2020

Independence Day – Friday, July 3, 2020 (observed)

Labor Day – Monday, September 7, 2020

Veteran's Day – Wednesday, November 11, 2020

Thanksgiving – Thursday, November 26, 2020

Friday following Thanksgiving – Friday, November 27, 2020

Christmas Eve – Thursday, December 24, 2020

Christmas Day – Friday, December 25, 2020

New Year's Day – Friday, January 1, 2010

And all days declared by law or proclamation of the Governor to be a holiday according to Neb. Rev. Stat. 84-1001 (3), "For purposes of this Section, paid holidays shall include all of the days enumerated in Section 25-2221 and all days declared by law or proclamation of the President or Governor to be holidays." Exceptions may include law enforcement, security, military and employees engaged in other essential functions, such as 24-hour facilities.

On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to give employees a 3% cost of living raise for 2020. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer provided the board with financial reports for the road department.

Sheriff McCumbers updated the board on recent activities. An agreement has been reached with the Village of Harrison for the provision of police services to be provided by the Sheriff of Sioux County on an hourly basis. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the contract. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. Concerns regarding drones being flown in the county was discussed.

Nick Sanderson submitted his yearly control plan for review by the board. Discussion was held regarding liquid salt for spraying the county's asphalt roads. Sanderson said he would be able to spray, using his weed spraying equipment.

Jenny Nixon updated the board on 4-H activities. Laura Button will be working in the office 15-16 hours per week. Two interns will be working on 4-H activities this summer. An enrollment party for 4-H will be February 14.

The board adjourned from 12:00 to 1:00 for a lunch recess.



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Don Brush met with the board regarding the election of the county surveyor. 2014 legislation requires the election of county surveyors in all counties under 150,000 unless certain actions are taken. Sioux County currently has an elected surveyor, so the board, following a public hearing, may adopt a resolution to continue to elect the county surveyor. The resolution must be adopted prior to February 1, 2020. A public hearing will be held on January 21, 2020 for public comment.

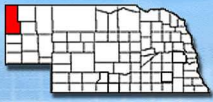
Brush also discussed surveying in an area along Hwy 71 to Box Butte County. Brush would like to reestablish some corners in that area. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to allow Brush to proceed with the surveying at a cost of approximately \$5,000 per year.

Val Jansante, Community Liaison for Adrian Smith met with the board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet February 3, 2020.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk



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Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

January 21, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room January 21, 2020 at 1:15 p.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman and County Surveyor Don Brush. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Skavdahl, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer.

A public hearing was opened to discuss a resolution to continue to elect the county surveyor. There was no one in attendance from the public with questions or comment. The hearing was closed at 1:25.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Skavdahl to adopt a resolution that the office of county surveyor continue to be an elected position. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on letting bids for gravel crushing at various pits in the county.

The courthouse lighting project was reviewed.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet February 3, 2020.

/s/Josh Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk





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Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

February 3, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room February 3, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer. J.W. Geiser joined the meeting at 10:06. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Hal Downer opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the minutes of the January 2 and 21, 2020 meetings. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 40,232.63; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,591.76/employee share, 1,763.33; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Blue 360 Media, supplies, 76.75; Donald Brush, survey fee, 2,982.75; Johnson Campbell, mileage, 78.20; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 222.01; Chadrad Communications, ads, 220.00; Contryman Associates, P.C., audit, 11,350.00; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Douglas, Kelly, Ost diek, et al, court appointed attorney, 50.00; Randy Ellis, labor, 40.00; Government Forms & Supplies, supplies, 195.08; Herren Brothers, supplies, 25.50; Lacy Klein, mileage, 80.50; Kreider Insurance Agency, insurance, 18,200.00; Lotton's Service, fuel, repair, 257.46; Midwest Connect, postage, 270.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,328.78; Mobius Communications, phone service and upgrades, 1,357.38; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, registration, 50.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,046.85; Neofunds, postage, 500.00; NEA, electricity, 2,023.55; JoElla Norman, mileage, 216.20; Nossaman Pettitt Law Firm, PC, court appointed attorney, 61.50; Panhandle Co. Assessor's Association, dues, 75.00; Panhandle Co. Treasurer's Association, dues, 20.00; Panhandle District County Officials Association, dues, 350.00; Platte Valley Communications, radio repair, 89.69; Quill Corporation, supplies, 244.22; Redfield Direct, deed books, 298.25; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 1,188.18; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 111.87; Scotts Bluff County Detention Center, housing, 960.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,205.79/employee share social security, 2,205.79/county share medicare 515.90/employee share medicare, 515.90/ withholding, 2,311.48; Britannia Shifflett, witness fee, 99.46; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 20.97/ law manual, 76.75, condemnation, 5,700.00; Staples, supplies, 134.92; Transfer to Library Fund, 5,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 10,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 60,000.00; UNL, Lincoln, extension salary, 1,336.87; UNL, Lincoln, training, 150.00; USDA, APHIS, Wildlife Services, predator control, 7,890.34; Viaero Wireless, phone, 125.91; Village of Harrison, utilities, 339.84; Vistabeam, 63.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 379.50.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 28,188.55; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 303.16; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 203.46; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,764.03/employee share retirement, 1,176.00; B & C Steel, supplies, 267.02; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 15,654.24; Cody Bruegger, welding, 6,225.00; Centurylink, internet, 56.88; Floyd's Truck Center, repairs, 289.04; Frank Parts, parts, 407.07; Herren's, supply, 2,224.28; Herren's – Crawford, supplies, 19.99; Horse Creek Tire, supplies, 111.25; Ideal Linen, rugs, 93.95; Kreider Insurance Agency, insurance, 64,222.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 46.35; Kelly Mansfield, hauling rock, 1,144.50; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc., supplies, 151.59; Mobius Communications, phone upgrade, 122.33; Morrill Supply, supplies, 25.33; NE Dept. of



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Revenue, employee withholding, 477.79; NE Dept. of Transportation, supplies, 386.55; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 5,800.75; NEA, electric, 202.31; Panhandle Coop System, supplies, 2,055.55; Powerplan, repairs, 2,420.08; R & C Welding, repairs, 487.86; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 6,809.52; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,525.82/employee share social security, 1,525.82/county share medicare, 356.86/employee share medicare, 356.86/withholding, 882.37; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 457.21; Chase Staudenmaier, gravel, 460.00; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 844.27; Village of Harrison, utility, 96.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 128.89; West Nebraska Seed & Chemical, LLC, shop supply, 30.00.

VISITOR IMPROVEMENT GRANT FUND: Katie Reece, advertisements, 190.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,647.11; Amazon, supplies, 408.61; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 111.18/employee share retirement, 74.12; Centurylink, phone/internet, 155.224; Herren's supplies, 20.06; Kreider insurance Agency, insurance, 1,603.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 53.72; NEA, electricity, 312.60; Security First Bank, county share social security, 102.12/employee share social security 102.12/county share medicare, 23.88/employee share medicare 23.88/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 57.00; Western Library System, workshop, 12.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,301.10; AgSpray Equipment, equipment, 143.84; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 216.07/employee share retirement, 144.05; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 56.88; Kreider Insurance Agency, insurance, 4,863.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 30.51; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 57.50; Security First Bank, county share social security, 170.52/employee share social security, 170.52/county share medicare, 39.88/employee share medicare, 39.88/ withholding, 150.00.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer provided the board with financial reports for the road department.

Nick Sanderson updated the board on using spraying equipment on the county roads and weed spraying on forest service lands.

Sheriff McCumbers updated the board on recent activities. McCumbers advised the board that The Sheriff's Association will be writing a letter in opposition of LB1165, a bill to eliminate the Nebraska Brand Committee, the association is trying to get all county sheriffs to sign the letter. The "Red Flag Bill" was also discussed.

Tim Kreider and Justin Tollman met with the board to review the county's 2020 insurance. The county's workers compensation experience rating has decreased this year, with an overall decrease in premium of \$8,500. Tollman has been researching a short- term liability policy for contractors.

Chase Staudenmaier addressed the board, stating that he appreciates the work that Brad Thayer has been doing on the roads in the northern part of the county and would like to see him stay on full-time if possible.

Laura Button advised the board that the 4-H kids are recruiting other kids for 4-H. The Nebraska Extension Annual Report for 2019 was submitted to the board. A copy is on file in the Sioux County Clerk's office.

A conference call was held with Jerry Berggren, Berggren Architects and Dan Schinstock, engineer for the courthouse lighting project. A walk-through was scheduled with Berggren and the commissioners on February 26.



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Road Superintendent Gary Thayer and Philip Hines, FEMA representative updated the board on FEMA work being done.

Road Superintendent Gary Thayer discussed the Watershed Protection Program and putting the projects out for bid.

An application for Road Superintendent was received.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to let bids for crushing 10,000 yards of gravel at the Schneider pit. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Sue Willey asked the board for clarification on overtime. She asked that the road employees note on their time sheet who is approving the overtime. All overtime needs to be preapproved by the commissioner requesting it.

The Financial Statement for Fiscal Year End June 30, 2019 was reviewed. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the audit. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve a lease with Modern Farm Equipment for a mower tractor. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet March 2, 2020.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk





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SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

February 26, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on February 26, 2020 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J. W. Geiser and Hal Downer. County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman was also present. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The pledge of allegiance recited. Josh Skavdahl led the meeting in prayer.

Brandi McCaslin, representative for U.S. Senator Deb Fischer was present and discussed county concerns with the board.

Jerry Berggren, Architect, held a walk-through with the board and clerk reviewing the plans for the courthouse lighting project.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl

Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman

Sioux County Clerk



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Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

March 2, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room March 2, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Michelle Zimmerman opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2020 meeting. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 37,620.47; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,320.98/employee share, 1,572.30; Berggren Architects, lighting project, 9,437.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 221.63; Connecting Point, supplies, 23.95; Crawford Clipper, notices, 544.24; Crites & Shaffer Law Office, court appointed attorney, 3,362.37; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Government Forms & Supplies, supply, 30.80; Herren Brothers, supplies, 18.99; Lacy Klein, mileage, 80.50/supplies, 105.49; Kreider Insurance Agency, insurance, 176.00; Lotton's Service, fuel, repair, 83.61; Marshall & Swift/Boeckh, LLC, handbook, 371.95; Chad McCumbers, supplies, 243.66; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,290.74; Mobius Communications, phone service, 225.50; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NE Assn of County Treasurers, dues, 50.00; NE Clerks of District Court Assn., dues, 50.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 982.97; NEA, electricity, 1,952.47; Jenny Nixon, mileage, 572.13/meals, 47.19; Nossaman Petitt Law Firm, PC, court appointed attorney, 696.25; Print Express, supplies, 324.35; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 755.54; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 320.06; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,043.84/employee share social security, 2,043.84/county share medicare 478.01/employee share medicare, 478.01/ withholding, 2,203.43; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 20.97; Staples, supplies, 229.98; Transfer to Library Fund, 3,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 6,000.00; UNL, Lincoln, fuel, 29.11; UNL Lincoln, leather workshop, 50.00; Viaero Wireless, phone, 125.80; Village of Harrison, utilities, 339.84; Vistabeam, 63.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 250.70.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 29,828.60; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 303.16; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 203.46; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,814.75/employee share retirement, 1,209.80; B & C Steel, supplies, 514.80; Bauerkempers, supplies, 57.00; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 15,654.24; Centurylink, internet, 56.53; Coe Engineering, fees, 1,000.00; Dan's Welding & Repairs, repairs, 1,000.00; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, supplies, 3,840.47; Frank Parts, parts, 163.42; Dan Franks, supplies, 172.78; Herren's, supply, 510.86; Horse Creek Tire, supplies, 100.00; Ideal Linen, rugs, 33.95; Kaufman Glass, repairs, 460.97; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 123.05; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc., supplies, 65.04; Morrill Supply, supplies, 196.87; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 557.32; NE Dept. of Transportation, supplies, 419.85; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 3,601.55; Nebraskaland Tire, tires, 4,440.70; NEA, electric, 180.05; Panhandle Coop System, supplies, 2,699.51; Powerplan, repairs, 1,052.74; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 5,275.19; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,627.50/employee share social security, 1,627.50/county share medicare, 380.63/employee share medicare, 380.63/withholding, 1,071.08; Skeeter's Napa,



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parts, 300.51; Chase Staudenmaier, gravel, 100.00; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 622.27; Village of Harrison, utility, 90.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 124.70; WPCI, testing, 75.00.

VISITOR PROMOTIONS FUND: Crawford Clipper, notice, 9.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,420.84; Amazon, supplies, 435.30; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 95.91/employee share retirement, 63.94; Centurylink, phone/internet, 147.05; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 58.10; NEA, electricity, 299.88; Quill Corporation, supplies, 148.26; Sarah Sanderson, mileage, 47.73; Security First Bank, county share social security, 88.09/employee share social security 88.09/county share medicare, 20.60/employee share medicare 20.60/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 55.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,301.10; AgSpray Equipment, equipment, 38.14; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 216.07/employee share retirement, 144.05; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 56.53; Herren Brothers, supplies, 83.86; NE Weed Control Association, training, 240.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 30.51; Nick Sanderson, supply, 126.59; Security First Bank, county share social security, 170.52/employee share social security, 170.52/county share medicare, 39.88/employee share medicare, 39.88/ withholding, 150.00.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer provided the board with financial reports for the road department and an updated tax sale list. Klein and Sheriff McCumbers discussed hiring one full-time employee to split between the Treasurer and Sheriff offices.

Sheriff McCumbers updated the board on recent activities.

Nick Sanderson updated the board on using spraying equipment on the county roads.

Jenny Nixon gave an update on shooting sports, robotics and an animal science workshop that the kids have been participating in. A pesticide training will be held on March 18 at 1:00 p.m. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to appoint Dennelle Fischer and Nick Sanderson to the Sioux County Extension Board. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried.

An application for Road Superintendent was received and reviewed.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept Jon Scott's letter of resignation. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to allow Bill Mack to carry over 35 hours of vacation. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Gary Thayer discussed the Sand Creek Road and FEMA projects with the board.

The board adjourned from 12:00 to 1:00 for a lunch recess.

A public hearing was held at 1:15 for the purpose of reviewing the One and Six Year Road Plan. Road Superintendent Thayer advised that part of the Edgemont Road project and Henry Oil Road asphalt projects were completed last year. The Morrill Road and Edgemont Roads will be back on the One Year Plan for this year. Due to the flooding last year,



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some projects will be completed through FEMA and the NRD watershed program on the One Year Plan. Those roads are Hat Creek, Sand Creek, Sowbelly and Wheeler Roads. Dorothy, David and Shelly Henderson discussed the Henderson Road and it was moved to the One Year Plan as well. The Six Year Plan will be the remainder of Cut Across, Wheeler, Watson and Franklin Roads. Other roads will be on the County Road Improvement List. This list will be for roads that don't require a major project.

The board reconvened into regular session.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the Sioux County One and Six Year Road Plan. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

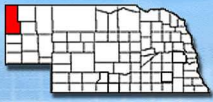
Tim Buskirk gave an update on Forest Service Lands. They have authorized a 10% increase in AUMs for grazing this year. Hudson Meng is now on recreation.gov and tours can be scheduled online. Prairie dogs are being treated on the grasslands. They are working with Nick Sanderson on an agreement to have weeds treated on grasslands. Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation has submitted a proposal to purchase 400 acres of the Whitcher Ranch.

Michael Kurnik, Project Development Manager for Orion, Renewable Energy Group met with the board with an update on the wind energy project in Sioux County. There are 66,000 contiguous acres assigned to the project, with 24 agreements with landowners being signed so far.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet April 1, 2020.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk



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SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

April 17, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on April 17, 2020 at 10:08 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J. W. Geiser and Hal Downer. County Attorney Adam Edmund and County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman were also present. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The pledge of allegiance recited. Hal Downer led the meeting in prayer.

One interview was held for the position of Sioux County Road Assistant Superintendent/Foreman. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to hire Jim Phipps for the position. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to advertise for a full-time position in the road department. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk





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Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

May 1, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room May 1, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the April 1 and 17, 2020 meeting. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 39,842.23; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,628.48/employee share, 1,789.82; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Laura Button, mileage, supplies, 13.10; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 220.80; Crites & Shaffer Law Office, court appointed attorney, 231.16; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Elections Systems & Software, election supplies, 2,408.14; Audrey M. Elliott, court appointed attorney, 859.00; Harrison Fire Department, generator reimbursement, 12,354.39; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,506.40; Mobius Communications, phone service, 224.92; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,066.88; NEA, electricity, 1,478.12; Jennifer Nixon, postage, 55.00; Nossaman Petitt Law Firm, PC, court appointed attorney, 726.75; Office Depot, supplies, 21.66; Outlaw Printers, supplies, 39.00; Panhandle Research & Ext. Center, state car, 258.32; Quadient Leasing USA, Inc., postage meter, 500.00; Quill Corporation, supplies, 17.36; Reganis Auto Center, repairs, 371.51; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel 543.43; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 71.99; Scottsbluff Co. Detention Center, jail fee, 320.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,181.57/employee share social security, 2,181.57/county share medicare 510.23/employee share medicare, 510.23/ withholding, 2,355.20; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 20.97; Spartacus Combatives, supplies, 735.00; Staples, supplies, 558.91; Joe Stecher, mileage, 71.30; Team Auto Center, repairs, 126.95; Transfer to Inheritance Fund, by resolution, 50,000.00; Transfer to Library Fund, 2,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 6,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 65,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 62.00; UNL Lincoln, laptop, 1,424.89; UNL Extension – Box Butte County, state car fuel, 52.94; UNL, Lincoln, robotics coach, 333.00; USDA-APHIS, predator control, 6,958.40; Viaero Wireless, phone, 18.57; Village of Harrison, utilities, 339.84; Vistabeam, 63.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 80.50.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 26,641.84; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 235.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 170.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,580.15/employee share retirement, 1,053.41; B & C Steel Corp., supplies, 1,246.56; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 13,565.96; Centurylink, internet, 59.20; Crawford Clipper, publications, 55.58; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, supplies, 3,609.12; Frank Parts, parts, 365.48; Dan Franks, supplies, 99.19; Goshen Diesel, repair, 1,010.50; Herren's, supply, 114.50; Hillbilly Industries, LLC, hauling, 1,976.00; Horse Creek Tire, supplies, 25.52; Ideal Linen, rugs, 33.95; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 341.93; JA Traffic Products, supplies, 678.00; Little Park Ranches, LLC, gravel, 4,203.00; Littrel Construction Co., LLC, hauling material, 1,800.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 201.25; Mark Chrisman Trucking, Inc., gravel crushing, 40,284.48; Morrill Hardware, supplies, 34.49; Morrill Supply, supplies, 96.14; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 468.76; NE Dept. of Transportation,



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supplies, 373.50; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 3,774.02; NEA, electric, 145.17; Panhandle Coop System, supplies, 2,426.45; Powerplan, repairs, 1,068.21; Bobby Reece, reimburse physical cost, 100.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 6,869.89; James Schneider, gravel, 5,500.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,461.62/employee share social security, 1,461.62/county share medicare, 341.84/employee share medicare, 341.84/withholding, 863.52; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 161.29; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 437.01; Village of Harrison, utility, 98.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 93.20.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$648.86; Amazon, supplies, 399.85; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 43.80/employee share retirement, 29.20; Centurylink, phone/internet, 154.57; Collaborative Summer Library Program, programming, 162.85; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 50.00; NEA, electricity, 244.76; Quill Corporation, supplies, 184.49; Security First Bank, county share social security, 40.23/employee share social security 40.23/county share medicare, 9.41/employee share medicare 9.41/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 57.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,301.10; AgSpray Equipment, supplies, 79.01; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 216.07/employee share retirement, 144.05; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 59.21; Herren Brothers, supplies, 94.69; Office Depot, toner, 21.67; Quill Corporation, supplies, 30.96; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 30.51; Security First Bank, county share social security, 170.52/employee share social security, 170.52/county share medicare, 39.88/employee share medicare, 39.88/ withholding, 150.00.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the audit contract with Contryman Associates, P.C. to perform audit services for Sioux County for 2020, 2021 and 2022. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to require employees to submit claims for reimbursement of their remaining deductibles for each year prior to June 1 of the year following service. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer provided the board with financial reports for the road department.

Sheriff McCumbers updated the board on recent activities. There is a firearms qualification at Bluffs Shooters Range on May 13. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the USDA Forest Service contract for reimbursement of patrolling and equipment. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Mike and Linda Kesselring, Dennis Murphy and Matt Parker met with the board to ask permission to hold a Memorial Day Service on the south lawn of the Sioux County Courthouse on May 25, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to allow the service contingent on compliance with current directives regarding COVID-19 restrictions. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

A phone conference was held with Jerry Berggren regarding an asbestos survey.

Discussion was held on adding a typing desk and chair from the Sioux County Court office to the surplus property list. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to add the desk and chair to the surplus property list. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.



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Dr. Brett Gies, Sioux County School Superintendent met with the board to express his gratitude for allowing the school to use county equipment for snow removal at the school over the past winter. A rate of pay to charge for the equipment use will be discussed.

Jean Norman met with the board with concerns about Toadstool Road. Discussion was held on how to maintain the road with the railroad and tourist traffic. Norman offered to help with a skid steer and payload. Commissioner Geiser will keep in contact with Norman.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to allow Dave Sauls to carry over 52 hours of vacation. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Thayer discussed culvert mitigation and lists of FEMA sites that need to be completed. Thayer will meet with Jim Phipps to review and make a plan to complete the projects.

Stacey Swinney updated the board on canal bridge C058302820.

Sue Willey met with the board and asked that the road employees be directed to submit their monthly time sheets by the 25<sup>th</sup> of every month, so she has time to process them. Willey also asked that the employees note commissioner approval for overtime on their time sheets. The road employees will be advised of these updates.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet June 1, 2020.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk



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SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

May 19, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on May 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J. W. Geiser and Hal Downer. County Attorney Adam Edmund and County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman were also present. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The pledge of allegiance recited. Josh Skavdahl led the meeting in prayer.

Stacey Swinney met with the board to update them on the repairs needed on canal bridge C058302820. Decking options and guardrails were discussed. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to have Swinney repair the bridge. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Road Foreman/Assistant Superintendent Phipps met with the board regarding the road department. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to hire Brad Thayer for the full-time road position, beginning June 1. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

One quote was reviewed for an asbestos survey of the courthouse. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to award the survey of the entire facility to MCS Engineering Firm. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl

Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman

Sioux County Clerk





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Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

June 1, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room June 1, 2020 at 9:25 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Michelle Zimmerman opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the minutes of the May 1 and 19, 2020 meeting. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 39,390.96; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,573.71/employee share, 1,751.28; Sarah Bannan, meals, mileage, elections, 58.72; Berggren Architects, light project, 2,250.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Johnson Campbell, election judge & mileage, 158.80; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 220.66; Clerks of District Court Assn, workshop, 75.00; Crawford Clipper, publications, 475.25; Crites & Shaffer Law Office, court appointed attorney, 110.00; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Dugan Business Forms, office supplies, 137.50; Elections Systems & Software, election supplies, 2,321.29; Audrey M. Elliott, court appointed attorney, 1,950.00; Rhonda R. Flower, court-appointed attorney, 3,154.40; Laurel Ginkens, election judge, mileage, 149.20; Government Forms & Supplies, office supply, 100.74; Dalora Sue Gullikson, election judge, mileage, 131.70; GWorks, GIS contract, oblique photos, 25,375.00; Ruth Hamaker, election judge, 140.00; Herren's, supplies, 98.75; Horse Creek Tire, supplies, 43.50; Cynthia Kaan, election judge, mileage, 181.40; Lacy Klein, protective shields, 641.98; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, service, 313.61; Chad McCumbers, postage, supplies, 25.90; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,586.05; Mobius Communications, phone service, 234.21; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACEB, dues, 100.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,033.47; Nextoner, LLC, supplies, 148.93; NEA, electricity, 1,127.40; Nossaman Pettitt Law Firm, PC, court appointed attorney, 1,816.85; Panhandle Research & Ext. Center, state car, 82.38; Debby Petersen, election judge, 140.00; Pritchard & Abbott, mineral appraisal, 270.00; Quadient Leasing USA, Inc., postage meter, 500.00; Quill Corporation, supplies, 397.29; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel 783.88; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 61.28; Scottsbluff Co. Detention Center, jail fee, 13.35; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,153.60/employee share social security, 2,153.60/county share medicare 503.69/employee share medicare, 503.69/withholding, 2,279.65; Sharon Semroska, election judge, mileage, 101.80; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 20.97/costs, 3.00/ dues, 1,175.00; Staples, supplies, 128.60; TGS Manufacturing, supplies, 322.50; Transfer to Library Fund, 2,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 7,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 70,000.00; UNL Lincoln, laptop, 1,424.89; UNL, Lincoln, care kits, 550.00; Viaero Wireless, phone, 13.36; Village of Harrison, utilities, 345.84; Vistabeam, 63.95; Rodney Walsh, election judge, mileage, 186.40; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 92.00/election judge meals, 133.80.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 27,794.23; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 235.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 182.16; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 1,700.70/employee share retirement, 1,133.77; AVI Engineering, professional services, 13,550.00; B & C Steel Corp., supplies, 477.02; Bauerkempers, repairs. 18.60; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 13,565.96; Donald Brush, survey, 365.00; Centurylink, internet, 58.70; Contractor's





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Materials, supplies, 178.40; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, supplies, 5,454.96; Lonnie Douthit, gravel, 3,684.00; Frank Parts, parts, 77.28; GMC of Chadron, repairs, 1,111.77; Goshen Diesel, repairs, 30.00; Herren's, supply, 3,843.87; Herren's-Crawford, repairs, 6.49; Hillbilly Industries, LLC, hauling, 4,426.00; Hometown Auto Repairs, repairs, 351.50; Horse Creek Tire, supplies, 13.00; Fay Hughes, hauling, 732.00; Ideal Linen, rugs, 67.90; Littrel Construction Co., LLC, hauling material, 1,700.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 201.29; Mark Chrisman Trucking, Inc., gravel crushing, 18,720.00; Morrill Supply, supplies, 30.80; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 537.47; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 3,227.52; NEA, electric, 89.95; Panhandle Coop System, supplies, 491.74; James Phipps, mileage, 62.10; Powerplan, repairs, 1,750.55; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, repairs, 5,837.88; RW Rising & Family Trucking, LLC, hauling, 4,687.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,532.34/employee share social security, 1,532.34/county share medicare, 358.38/employee share medicare, 358.38/withholding, 956.75; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 93.49; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 114.81; Village of Harrison, utility, 96.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 83.42; WPCI, drug testing, 102.50.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$758.67; Amazon, supplies, 37.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 51.21/employee share retirement, 34.14; Centurylink, phone/internet, 146.50; Herren's, supplies, 56.32; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 50.00; NEA, electricity, 147.24; Jeff Quinn, summer reading, 125.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 47.04/employee share social security 47.04/county share medicare, 11.00/employee share medicare 11.00/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 55.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,001.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 270.07/employee share retirement, 180.05; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 58.70; Crawford Clipper, weed notice, 99.00; Heritage Seed, chemical, 1,009.10; Herren Brothers, supplies, 67.93; Lotton's, fuel, 186.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 39.86; Security First Bank, county share social security, 220.12/employee share social security, 220.12/county share medicare, 51.48/employee share medicare, 51.48/ withholding, 158.90.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to open the Sioux County Courthouse, per Directive Health Measure guidelines. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Nick Sanderson updated the board on weed spraying in the county.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer provided the board with financial reports for the road department.

Sheriff McCumbers submitted his monthly fee report and updated the board on recent activities. McCumbers advised the board of pricing for a fully-equipped pickup. A budget worksheet was presented to the board, which includes another deputy plus a part-time office assistant. The part-time employee budget was increased as well.

Jenny Nixon discussed the Sioux County Fair and the logistics of how the exhibits might work this year. There are two interns working in the extension office this summer. The kids will have a lot of exhibits, as packets were sent to them to work on at home during the Covid-19 restrictions.

Road Foreman/Asst. Superintendent Jim Phipps met with the board and discussed overtime. Limits and prior authorization of overtime was discussed. A mower tractor, repairs on equipment and surplus property listing was discussed.



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Road Superintendent Thayer discussed armor coating five miles of Morrill Road and crack sealing on Monroe Canyon Road.

Motion made by Downer to approve the sale of Sioux County Court surplus property for \$250.00 On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Luke Peebles, USDA, APHIS gave an update of wildlife management over the past year. He has requested \$22,048.52 for his services for 2020-2021. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the contract. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 P.M. The Sioux County Board \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Commissioners \_\_\_\_\_ will \_\_\_\_\_ meet June 1, 2020.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk



# Sioux County Board Minutes



Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

July 1, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room July 1, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser, Josh Skavdahl appeared via Zoom. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Hal Downer opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the June 1 and 16, 2020 meetings. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 39,022.51; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,551.55/employee share, 1,735.83; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Laura Button, mileage, 149.50; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 220.66; Crawford Clipper, publications, 172.62; Crites & Shaffer Law Office, court appointed attorney, 1,008.31; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; De Lage Landen Public Finance, lease sheriff pickup, 6,221.71; Audrey M. Elliott, court appointed attorney, 140.00; Herren's, supplies, 22.47; Lacy Klein, mileage, 80.50; Chad McCumbers, mileage, 30.82; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,212.04; Mobius Communications, phone service, 245.09; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO dues, 1,173.31; NE Assn. of County Clerks, registration, 125.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,008.62; NEA, electricity, 719.15; Northwest Auto Body & Paint, repairs, 283.00; Nossaman Pettitt Law Firm, PC, court appointed attorney, 915.25; Office Depot, supplies, 42.49; Panhandle Geotechnical & Environment, asbestos survey, 3,230.00; Quadient Leasing USA, Inc., postage meter, 840.00; Quill Corporation, supplies, 583.94; Amy Ragsdale, transcription fee, 315.25; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel 464.55; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 95.09; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,130.76/employee share social security, 2,130.76/county share medicare 498.35/employee share medicare, 498.35/ withholding, 2,237.61; Sioux County Historical Society, museum support, 2,000.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 20.97/copies, 2.27; Staples, supplies, 239.88; Scottsbluff Star Herald, subscription, 347.15; Transfer to Library Fund, 2,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 13,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 80,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 65.36; UNL, supplies, 30.00; UNL Lincoln, equipment, 159.95; Viaero Wireless, phone, 64.37; Village of Harrison, utilities, 455.84; Vistabeam, 68.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 144.90.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 30,189.31; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 235.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 182.16; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,020.06/employee share retirement, 1,346.67; AVI Engineering, professional services, 1,009.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 14,475.24; Donald Brush, survey, 290.00; Centurylink, internet, 58.23; Contractor's Materials, supplies, 962.95; Crawford Clipper, ad, 138.19; Dale's Tire, supplies, 1,148.22; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, supplies, 165.23; Floyd's Truck Center, supplies, 10.41; Dan Franks, CDL reimbursement, 100.00; Fuller Construction, materials, 634.00; Herren's, supply, 182.23; Horse Creek Tire, supplies, 25.00; Fay Hughes, hauling, 284.10; Ideal Linen, rugs, 213.24; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 162.96; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 33.35; Colleen Mitchell, gravel, 2,680.00; Morrill Supply, supplies, 36.76; Motor Fuel Division, fuel tax, 679.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 657.60; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 1,558.15; Nebraskaland Tire, supplies, 234.95; NEA, electric, 68.75; Office Depot, office supplies, 155.41; Panhandle Coop System, supplies, 242.42; Powerplan, repairs,



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1,875.14; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, repairs, 5,519.32; RW Rising & Family Trucking, LLC, hauling, 5,504.50; James Schneider, gravel, 4,500.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,669.56/employee share social security, 1,669.56/county share medicare, 390.48/employee share medicare, 390.48/withholding, 1,194.23; Bill Skavdahl, gravel, 334.00; Josh Skavdahl, gravel, 333.00; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 130.09; Sones Trucking, hauling, 9,646.50; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 273.27; V & T, hauling, 10,191.50; Village of Harrison, utility, 96.65; WPCI, drug testing, 62.50; Scott Wilkins, gravel, 6,750.00.

FEDERAL FUNDS PURCHASE PROGRAM FUND: Stacey Swinney, bridge, 34,000.00

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,663.75; Amazon, supplies, 197.12; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 112.30/employee share retirement, 74.87; Bluffs Facility Solutions, supplies, 139.97; Centurylink, phone/internet, 146.50; Herren's, supplies, 1.08; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 54.08; NEA, electricity, 94.24; Security First Bank, county share social security, 103.15/employee share social security 103.15/county share medicare, 24.12/employee share medicare 24.12/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 93.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,801.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 324.07/employee share retirement, 216.05; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 58.23; Farmer's Coop Elevator, chemicals 4,807.00; Heritage Seed, chemical, 314.35; Herren Brothers, supplies, 60.14; Lotton's, fuel, 592.70; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 64.47; Office Depot, supplies, 42.50; Security First Bank, county share social security, 269.72/employee share social security, 269.72/county share medicare, 63.08/employee share medicare, 63.08/ withholding, 235.90.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports and the Assessor's Three-Year Plan of Assessment. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept the plan. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to appoint Michelle Zimmerman budget making authority for the 2020-2021 budget. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer provided the board with financial reports for the road department.

Weed Superintendent Sanderson updated the board, regarding spraying of weeds. Sanderson discussed an agreement with the US Forest Service regarding spraying on Oglala National Grasslands. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to enter into the agreement. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried.

Sheriff McCumbers submitted his monthly fee report and updated the board on recent activities. McCumbers advised the board that Deputy Taylor has resigned and an ad will be in the Crawford Clipper today to fill that position. Certification is not required, so it is possible to hire someone and send them to the academy at the county's expense. Lyle Staudenmaier will be working weekends as a part-time deputy. Five applications have been received for the shared position with the treasurer, and interviews will be held Monday and Tuesday. McCumbers advised the board of a quote on a new pickup. McCumbers offered to get three informal estimates on repairs of the courthouse roof, and to paint the old library that is now part of his office after the repairs are made.

Jenny Nixon discussed the summer interns working in the extension office this summer. Sioux County Fair activities are being finalized. Nixon advised that the recent guidelines are that a mask is not required if there is a distance of six feet between people, if not, a mask is required.





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The board reviewed a drought state of emergency. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to sign the declaration. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried.

The asbestos survey submitted by MCS will be reviewed by the board.

Road Superintendent Gary Thayer and Road Foreman/Asst. Superintendent Jim Phipps met with the board. A quote for crack sealing Monroe Canyon Road was reviewed. One bid was opened for armor coating Morrill Road. Motion by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept the bid from Topkote for \$2.25 per square yard. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. Phipps provided the board with quotes on mowers. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the purchase of a TRX15 mower for \$13,800 from Platte Valley Equipment in Wahoo. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried.

Stacey Swinney advised the board that canal bridge C058302820 is finished.

The board adjourned for lunch from 12:05 to 1:00.

Mike Kesslering provided the board with an update on the Sioux County Travel and Tourism Board. The July 4 celebration at the Sioux County Courthouse was discussed.

Sioux County United Taxpayers and other concerned citizens met with the board regarding the estimated 25% increase to the sheriff/jail budget that Sheriff McCumbers submitted at the June commissioner meeting. Patrons asked the Sheriff specific questions as to the need of four full-time plus one part-time employees in the sheriff's office, stating there has to be a legitimate reason to expand our police department. Sheriff McCumbers told those in attendance that he has had 172 incidents so far this year, He believes that there will be an average of two incidents per day this calendar year. McCumbers said that he will replace the officer who resigned, and that he needs more help if he can get them. Questions regarding the nature of the calls, whether felonies or misdemeanors were asked. Sheriff McCumbers answered that most are petty vandalism, trespassing and theft, with some domestic and child abuse cases, with about half of the calls being prosecutable. One patron stated that you have a constituent base and the best form of communication to the public is the newspaper. Last year it was requested a call log be put in the paper, but he hasn't seen one yet. Sheriff McCumbers stated that he had contacted the paper, and she didn't follow up with him, so she didn't seem to want the call log. County Attorney Edmund added that patrolling on state highways is discretionary. Patrons asked if the sheriff had a split of how many calls were in the southern part of the county verses north. Sheriff McCumbers stated that most calls are on Highway 71, being traffic violations. The calls used to be weighted to the south end, but now is more like 50/50 or 60/40. Sheriff McCumbers stated that the State Patrol does not have the manpower to help out, so the sheriff's office does the investigating.

The taxpayers were concerned that with the state of the agricultural economy, and factors that are out of their control, such as drought, they don't feel that they can keep up with the increases to the budgets. Sheriff McCumbers said he feels that the proposed budget is what is required to maintain the department.

Commissioner Geiser advised the group that budgets will be reviewed on July 21.

Commissioner Geiser thanked those in attendance for showing up and expressing their concerns.





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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet August 3, 2020.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl

Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman

Sioux County Clerk



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SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

July 21, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on July 21, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J. W. Geiser and Hal Downer. County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman was also present. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer seconded by Geiser to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve Jean Norman and Syd Meidell as private sector members, and Mike Kesselring and Jenny Nixon as public sector members to the Western Nebraska Tourism Coalition. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried.

Bids were opened for surplus items at the county shop. Road Foreman/Assistant Superintendent Phipps will contact the bidders on those items.

Discussion was held on armor coating Morrill Road. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to hire Topkote to proceed with the project. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to extend Mark Chrisman's gravel crushing contract to include 5,000 yards at Matt Tighe's pit. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

A budget workshop was held. Several members from the public were in attendance and commented regarding budget issues.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

/s/J. W. Geiser  
Vice-Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk



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Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

August 3, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room July 1, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. J.W. Geiser opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the minutes of the July 1 and 21, 2020 meetings. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 36,852.66; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,375.89/employee share, 1,610.46; Aging Office of Western NE, 2021 assessment, 728.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 224.98; Charlie's Garage, repairs, 438.95; Connecting Point, copier supplies, 205.02; Copier Connection, Inc., supplies, 604.48; Crawford Clipper, publications, 377.59; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Audrey M. Elliott, court-appointed attorney, 350.00; Herren's, supplies, 5.94; Lacy Klein, mileage, 80.50; Kreider Insurance, insurance, 570.02; Chad McCumbers, shipping, 42.35; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,248.72; Mobius Communications, phone service, 227.46; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, workshop fee, 125.00; NE Dept. of Revenue-compliance division, garnishment, 216.89; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 949.52; NEA, electricity, 432.45; Jenny Nixon, equipment, 159.95; Nossaman Petitt Law Firm, PC, court appointed attorney, 357.04; Quadient Leasing USA, Inc., postage meter, 840.00; Quill Corporation, supplies, 501.26; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel 449.62; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 171.06; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,996.23/employee share social security, 1,996.23/county share medicare 466.88/employee share medicare, 466.88/ withholding, 2084.90; Sioux County Clerk, map, 36.75; Sioux County Court, fees, 180.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 2,652.72; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.15; Staples, supplies, 448.96; Transfer to Library Fund, 2,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 10,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 48.00; UNL, supplies, 30.00; USDA-APHIS, predator control, 970.96; Viaero Wireless, phone, 121.97; Village of Harrison, utilities, 617.84; Vistabeam, 68.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 112.70/supplies, 213.43.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 32,604.31; Action Communications, phone, 70.88; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 235.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,182.06/employee share retirement, 1,454.67; AVI Engineering, professional services, 7,441.00; Bauerkempers, repairs, 225.00; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 14,475.24; Centurylink, internet, 60.59; Crawford Clipper, ad, 79.39; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, supplies, 4,125.60; Herren's, supply, 183.59; Horse Creek Tire, supplies, 89.52; Ideal Linen, rugs, 33.95; Inland Truck Parts, parts, 228.75; Kreider Insurance, insurance, 642.06; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 695.10; Morrill Supply, supplies, 2.75; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 702.13; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 8,811.88; NEA, electric, 61.22; Occupational Heal Centers of NE, testing, 47.50; Powerplan, repairs, 1,574.46; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, repairs, 4,423.24; RW Rising & Family Trucking, LLC, hauling, 1,253.50; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,817.24/employee share social security, 1,817.24/county share medicare, 425.02/employee share



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medicare, 425.02/withholding, 1,326.64; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 158.34; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 179.81; Village of Harrison, utility, 98.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 152.26; WPCI, drug testing, 35.00.

VISITOR PROMOTIONS FUND: Crawford Clipper, ads, 9.60; Discover Northwest Nebraska, services, 975.28.

VISITOR IMPROVEMENT GRANT FUND: Discover Northwest Nebraska, services, 975.27.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,284.42; Amazon, supplies, 216.36; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 86.70/employee share retirement, 57.80; Centurylink, phone/internet, 148.88; Crawford Clipper, ad, 6.12; Herren's, supplies, 8.49; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 56.15; NEA, electricity, 83.64; Quill Corporation, supplies, 220.06; Security First Bank, county share social security, 79.63/employee share social security 79.63/county share medicare, 18.62/employee share medicare 18.62/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 101.00.

SIOUX CO US ENTITLEMENT FUND: Transfer to General Fund, 230,759.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,801.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 324.07/employee share retirement, 216.05; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 60.60; Crawford Clipper, ad, 100.00; Heritage Seed, chemical, 1,652.60; Herren Brothers, supplies, 132.97; Kreider Insurance, insurance, 141.92; Lotton's, fuel, 420.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 64.47; Security First Bank, county share social security, 269.72/employee share social security, 269.72/county share medicare, 63.08/employee share medicare, 63.08/ withholding, 235.90.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. 77-3443, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners received preliminary property tax requests from the following political subdivisions: Village of Harrison, Harrison Rural Fire Protection District, Sioux County Fair, and Sheep Creek & Farmers Rural Fire. The following resolutions were all adopted by a motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by J.W. Geiser, and passed by roll call vote: Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl yes.

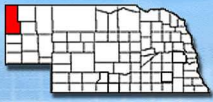
WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has the duty of reviewing and either approving or disapproving the levy request of all political subdivisions allowed to levy a tax for tax year 2020-2021 under Neb. Rev. Stat. 77-3443;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Village of Harrison Nebraska, requesting a preliminary tax request for tax year 2020-2021 of \$46,000.00;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Sheep Creek & Farmers Rural Fire. Requesting a preliminary tax request for the year 2020-2021 of 4 mil of certified valuation of Sioux and Scottsbluff Counties for the year 2020-2021;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Harrison Rural Fire Protection District, requesting a preliminary tax request for tax year 2020-2021 of \$61,700.00 plus County Treasurer's Commission of \$1,234.00 for a total of \$62,934.00 for all other purposes subject to its levy for the year 2020-2021;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Sioux County Fair requesting a preliminary tax request of \$35,000.00 plus County Treasurer's Commission of \$700.00 for a total of \$35,700.00 for all other purposes subject to its levy for the year 2020-2021.



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BE IT RESOLVED that the Sioux County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the requested tax requests submitted by the foregoing political subdivisions under Neb. Rev. Stat. 77-3443(8) providing the County with the responsibility of allocating up to fifteen cents of its authority to other political subdivisions subject to allocation of property tax authority under subsection (1) of 77-3443 and not specifically covered in this section to levy taxes as authorized by law which do not collectively exceed fifteen cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation on any parcel or item of taxable property.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to hold the 2020-2021 Sioux County Budget Hearing on September 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer provided the board with financial reports for the road department.

Sheriff McCumbers submitted his monthly fee report and updated the board on recent activities. Sheriff McCumbers advised the board that he has hired Garrett Naillon as patrol deputy. He will begin on August 17, and will be classified as a law enforcement trainee for now.

Jenny Nixon reported on fair activities. Commissioner Skavdahl requested a newsletter be sent to producers outlining alternative feed/protein sources due to the drought. Nixon will get the information sent out.

Road Superintendent Gary Thayer and Road Foreman/Asst. Superintendent Jim Phipps met with the board. Landowner agreements for the watershed protection programs are being gathered. An update on the FEMA projects left to complete was given by Phipps.

The board adjourned for lunch from 12:10 to 1:00.

A budget workshop was held.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet September 1, 2020.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk





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Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

August 3, 2020

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NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,801.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 324.07/employee share retirement, 216.05; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 60.60; Crawford Clipper, ad, 100.00; Heritage Seed, chemical, 1,652.60; Herren Brothers, supplies, 132.97; Kreider Insurance, insurance, 141.92; Lotton's, fuel, 420.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 64.47; Security First Bank, county share social security, 269.72/employee share social security, 269.72/county share medicare, 63.08/employee share medicare, 63.08/ withholding, 235.90.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. 77-3443, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners received preliminary property tax requests from the following political subdivisions: Village of Harrison, Harrison Rural Fire Protection District, Sioux County Fair, and Sheep Creek & Farmers Rural Fire. The following resolutions were all adopted by a motion made by Hal Downer, seconded by J.W. Geiser, and passed by roll call vote: Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl yes.

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has the duty of reviewing and either approving or disapproving the levy request of all political subdivisions allowed to levy a tax for tax year 2020-2021 under Neb. Rev. Stat. 77-3443;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Village of Harrison Nebraska, requesting a preliminary tax request for tax year 2020-2021 of \$46,000.00;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Sheep Creek & Farmers Rural Fire. Requesting a preliminary tax request for the year 2020-2021 of 4 mil of certified valuation of Sioux and Scottsbluff Counties for the year 2020-2021;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Harrison Rural Fire Protection District, requesting a preliminary tax request for tax year 2020-2021 of \$61,700.00 plus County Treasurer's Commission of \$1,234.00 for a total of \$62,934.00 for all other purposes subject to its levy for the year 2020-2021;

WHEREAS, the Sioux County Board of Commissioners has received and reviewed the tax request submitted by the Sioux County Fair requesting a preliminary tax request of \$35,000.00 plus County Treasurer's Commission of \$700.00 for a total of \$35,700.00 for all other purposes subject to its levy for the year 2020-2021.



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BE IT RESOLVED that the Sioux County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the requested tax requests submitted by the foregoing political subdivisions under Neb. Rev. Stat. 77-3443(8) providing the County with the responsibility of allocating up to fifteen cents of its authority to other political subdivisions subject to allocation of property tax authority under subsection (1) of 77-3443 and not specifically covered in this section to levy taxes as authorized by law which do not collectively exceed fifteen cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation on any parcel or item of taxable property.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to hold the 2020-2021 Sioux County Budget Hearing on September 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer provided the board with financial reports for the road department.

Sheriff McCumbers submitted his monthly fee report and updated the board on recent activities. Sheriff McCumbers advised the board that he has hired Garrett Naillon as patrol deputy. He will begin on August 17, and will be classified as a law enforcement trainee for now.

Jenny Nixon reported on fair activities. Commissioner Skavdahl requested a newsletter be sent to producers outlining alternative feed/protein sources due to the drought. Nixon will get the information sent out.

Road Superintendent Gary Thayer and Road Foreman/Asst. Superintendent Jim Phipps met with the board. Landowner agreements for the watershed protection programs are being gathered. An update on the FEMA projects left to complete was given by Phipps.

The board adjourned for lunch from 12:10 to 1:00.

A budget workshop was held.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 P.M. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet September 1, 2020.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk



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SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

August 19, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on August 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J. W. Geiser and Hal Downer. County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman was also present. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Geiser seconded by Downer to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Gary Thayer and Road Foreman/Asst. Superintendent Jim Phipps met with the board to discuss the FEMA projects that need to be completed. The board advised Phipps to have Mark Chrisman go complete the FEMA projects. The watershed projects were also discussed.

A budget workshop was held.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the Pine Ridge Area Community Wildfire Protection Plan Update. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

/s/Josh Skavdahl  
Vice-Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk





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Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

September 1, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room September 1, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser. Also present was Deputy County Clerk JoElla Norman and Allen Jordan. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the August 3 and 19, 2020 meetings. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 41,336.74; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,595.60/employee share, 1,756.11; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 225.54; Chadron Communications, ads, 150.00; Lyle Claussen, deductible reimbursement, 265.47; Crawford Clipper, publications, 387.88; Crites & Shaffer Law Office, court-appointed attorney, 710.00; Wendy C. Cutting, county court costs, 37.50; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Audrey M. Elliott, court-appointed attorney, 490.00; Herren's, supplies, 20.27; Horse Creek Tire, service, supplies, 277.28; Lacy Klein, mileage, 80.50; Lotton's, fuel, repairs, 804.10; Chad McCumbers, supplies, 66.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,248.72; Mobius Communications, phone service, 227.46; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NE Dept. of Revenue-compliance division, garnishment, 216.89; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,124.89; NE Total Office, supplies, 19.99; NEA, electricity, 449.81; Jenny Nixon, equipment/supplies, 132.49; JoElla Norman, deductible reimbursement, 2,084.00; Nossaman, Pettitt Law Firm, PC, court appointed attorney, 305.90; Outlaw Printers, printing, 18.99; Panhandle Area Development District, dues, 821.60; Print Express, supplies, 317.50; Region I Behavioral Health Authority, yearly service fee, 6,324.00; Region I Office of Human Development, yearly fee, 1,642.50; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel 663.57; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 120.35; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,274.24/employee share social security, 2,274.24/county share medicare 531.91/employee share medicare, 531.91/ withholding, 2,398.48; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.15; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 96.55; Smith, King & Simmons, P.C., court appointed attorney, 50.00; Staples, supplies, 92.35; TGS Manufacturing, supply, 106.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 10,000.00; Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund, 120,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 29.00; Viaero Wireless, phone, 128.56; Village of Harrison, utilities, 573.84; Vistabeam, 68.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 514.63.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 32,050.31; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 149.06; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,144.66/employee share retirement, 1,429.74; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 14,475.24; Donald Brush, survey, 365.00; Caterpillar Financial Services, payment on blade, 71,250.71; Centurylink, internet, 57.84; Dean Machine, LLC, equipment delivery, 766.50; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, supplies, 2,688.84; Floyd's Truck Center, repairs, 3,861.67; Frank Parts, parts, 108.73; Dan Franks, tools, 419.89; GMC of Chadron, parts, 50.63; Herren's, supply, 825.15; Horse Creek Tire, tire repair, 56.13; Ideal Linen, rugs, 75.80; Lotton's Service & Repair, repairs, 1,556.51; Kelly Mansfield, hauling gravel, 872.00; Mark Chrisman Trucking, Inc., gravel screening, 9,518.00; Morrill Hardware, supplies, 19.99; Morrill Supply, supplies, 53.74; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 679.66; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 3,162.57; Nebraskaland Tire, tires, 1,345.50; NEA, electric, 63.45;





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Platte Valley Equipment, LLC, mower, 13,800.00; Powerplan, repairs, 4,105.36; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 2,724.03; Sandberg Implement, Inc., supplies, 300.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,773.92/employee share social security, 1,773.92/county share medicare, 414.88/employee share medicare, 414.88/withholding, 1,283.40; Simon East Region NE, gravel, 2,173.28; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 102.78; Sones Trucking, trucking, 2,668.48; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 208.38; Village of Harrison, utility, 96.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 81.73; WPCI, drug testing, 180.00.

VISITOR PROMOTIONS FUND: Chadrad Communications, radio ads, 315.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,560.60; Amazon, supplies, 382.80; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 105.34/employee share retirement, 70.23; Centurylink, phone/internet, 157.16; Crawford Clipper, ad, 35.00; Herren's, supplies, 6.49; McCarty's Magic Carpet Cleaning, cleaning, 241.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 51.85; NEA, electricity, 102.72; Quill Corporation, supplies, 57.98; Security First Bank, county share social security, 96.76/employee share social security 96.76/county share medicare, 22.63/employee share medicare 22.63/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 93.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,801.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 324.07/employee share retirement, 216.05; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 57.85; Heritage Seed, chemical, 673.30; Lotton's, fuel, 450.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 64.47; Ramada Inn, Kearney, rooms, 156.00; Nick Sanderson, meals, mileage, 460.43; Noel Santistevan, meals, 26.47; Security First Bank, county share social security, 269.72/employee share social security, 269.72/county share medicare, 63.08/employee share medicare, 63.08/ withholding, 235.90.

Mike Bateman with Murphy Tractor stopped to remind the Board that they are available for their equipment needs.

JoElla Norman, Deputy Clerk submitted monthly reports and 2020 department inventories for approval.

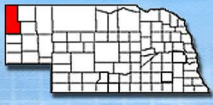
The board reviewed the insurance claim for the Courthouse roof. Jon Gillen, Adjuster explained is findings in detail on the phone. Gillen explained that because the County has replacement insurance the roof repairs would be covered with the exception of the deductible. The board also received a detailed report from Jay Edens of Fisher Roofing & Restoration on the phone. The board asked Edens to provide a quote.

Lacy Klein, County Treasurer submitted financial reports to the Board. Geiser noted the county is in a better position financially than it was at this time last year.

Nick Sanderson, Weed Superintendent was absent but left word with Geiser that there will be some funding available from the Forest Service this year.

Sheriff McCumbers submitted financial reports to the Board and updated them on recent activities. He informed the board that Garrette Naillon is now a full-time trainee and will attend the Academy in January. He has also hired Bryan Martinez on a part-time basis. Allen Jordan volunteered to type and submit the Call Log to the paper. McCumbers indicated due to sensitive information this would need to be done by a Sheriff's Office employee. McCumbers hopes to hire someone to do office work in the near future and this would be one of their duties.

Jenny Nixon reported on Extension Office activities. Fair went well and they are working on navigating the school enrichment activities with the current Covid 19 restrictions.



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Adam Edmund, County Attorney reported the asbestos survey is not yet available.

Gary Thayer, Road Superintendent and Jim Phipps, Road Foreman reported the Emergency Watershed Protection Project paperwork is almost complete. They also reported that we are getting closer to receiving some FEMA money. Phipps reported the dry conditions are making it very hard to work on the roads. He also reported the applications for the full-time position advertised are due by September 10<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 1:11 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet September 14, 2020.

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Joshua Skavdahl, Chairman of the Board

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JoElla Norman, Sioux County Deputy Clerk



# Sioux County Board Minutes



SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

September 14, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met for a meeting at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on September 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners J. W. Geiser and Hal Downer. County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman was also present. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer seconded by Geiser to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried.

A public hearing was opened at 10:00 to hear public comment on the 2020-2021 Sioux County Budget.

The public hearing was closed at 10:28 and the board convened into regular session.

## RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION AND APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, prepared by the Budget Making Authority, was transmitted to the County Board on the 14th day of September, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Sioux County, Nebraska, as follows:

SECTION 1: That the budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, as categorically evidenced by the Budget Document be, and the same hereby is, adopted as the Budget for Sioux County for said fiscal year.

SECTION 2: That the offices, departments, activities and institutions herein named are hereby authorized to expend the amounts herein appropriated to them during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021.

SECTION 3: That the income necessary to finance the appropriations made and the expenditures authorized shall be provided out of the unencumbered cash balance in each fund, revenues, other than taxation, to be collected during the fiscal year in each fund, and tax levy requirements for each fund.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. The 2019-2020 Sioux County Budget will require a Property Tax Request of \$1,450,000.00, resulting in a proposed tax rate of .219622. Motion made by J.W. Geiser to approve the 2020-2021 budget, seconded by Hal Downer. On roll call vote: Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried.

A motion was also made by J.W. Geiser, seconded by Hal Downer, to approve an additional one percent increase in the base limitation of restricted funds. Roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve hiring Eric McCoy as a full-time road employee. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried.

Jim Phipps gave an update on the road work currently being done.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

/s/Josh Skavdahl

Vice-Chairman of the Board

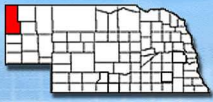
/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman

Sioux County Clerk



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Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

October 1, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room October 1, 2020 at 9:35 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Hal Downer opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the September 1 and 14, 2020 meetings. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 41,050.15; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,571.15/employee share, 1,739.51; Clancy Anderson, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 161.00; Gena Bannan, juror mileage, 13.80; Trent Bannan, juror mileage, 13.80; Debbie Beede, juror mileage, 51.75; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Darrell Braddock, juror mileage, 74.75; Judy Broeder, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 103.50; Tod Brubaker, witness mileage, 366.85; Cherith Brush, juror mileage, 69.00; Jacqueline Buhr, juror mileage, 26.45; Laura Button, postage, 8.40; Bytes Computer Solutions, e-mail, 15.00; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 225.54; Curtis Cloud, juror mileage, 57.50; Cyd Coffee, juror mileage, 26.45; Jay Coffee, repairs, 40.00; Crawford Clipper, publications, 573.80; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Carole Derr, juror mileage, 81.65; Dugan Business Forms, envelopes, 191.00; Mae Dunn, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 27.60; Jeff Edwards, juror mileage, 88.55; Nicole Fredrickson, juror mileage, 57.50; Herbert Fricke, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 46.00; Annette Godby, juror mileage, 83.95; Kevin Grote, juror mileage, 14.95; Becky Hanley, juror mileage, 46.00; Harrison House Hotel, juror and attorney meals, 572.90; Carolyn Henderson, juror mileage, 59.80; Herren's, supplies, 90.82; Holiday Inn Kearney, room, 299.85; Jess Holmgren, juror mileage, 17.25; Doug Hubbard, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 115.00; Mark Kaufman, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 103.50; Tracey Keiser, juror mileage, 90.85; Lacy Klein, mileage, 195.50; Rebecca Kreman, juror mileage, 29.90; Michael Kuhnle, juror mileage, 26.45; Jaymie Lambert, juror mileage, 16.10; Jorge Lara, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 138.00; Lotton's, fuel, 32.00; Dean Marx, juror mileage, 34.50; Chad McCumbers, supplies, 262.75; Eric Meidell, juror mileage, 29.90; Glenn Miller, juror mileage, 69.00; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,248.72; Mobius Communications, phone service, 227.46; Michael Morava, juror mileage, 34.50; Lynn Horton Morrison, witness mileage, 431.25; Kelcie Mowrey, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 52.90; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; Garrette Naillon, mileage, 75.90; NE Assoc. of County Assessors, dues, 50.00; NE Dept. of Revenue-compliance division, garnishment, 149.71; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,062.94; NE Sheriffs' Association, conference fee, 100.00; NE Total Office, supplies, 94.75; NEA, electricity, 446.42; Jenny Nixon, mileage/supplies, 181.94; Shawn Noon, class, 35.00; Nossaman, Pettitt Law Firm, PC, court appointed attorney, 5,031.08; Clint Nunn, juror mileage, 17.25; Office Depot, supplies, 62.82; Outlaw Printers, printing, 149.66; Naomi Pelster, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 23.00; Emory Prosser, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 92.00; Quadient Finance USA, postage, 500.00; Quadient Leasing USA, postage meter, 840.00; Quill Corporation, supplies, 104.45; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel 1,139.91; Sandra Rudloff, juror mileage, 19.55; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 186.84; Scott Schaefer, juror mileage, 11.50; Todd Schaefer, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 128.80; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,256.47/employee share social security, 2,256.47/county share medicare 527.76/employee share medicare, 527.76/ withholding, 2,124.79; Security First Bank, checks, 88.72; Stacy Seier, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 128.80; Sioux Co. Clerk of the District Court, fees, 72.00; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan,





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508.33; Sioux County Treasurer, reimbursement, 1,797.00; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.15/hotel, 107.39/ airline, 179.10/ car rental, 317.23; John Skavdahl, juror mileage, 5.75; Steven Smith, juror mileage, 69.00; Joyce Stangle, juror mileage, 44.85; Staples, supplies, 569.67; Daniel Starke, juror mileage, 51.75; Joe Stecher, mileage, 28.75; LeAnne Strain, juror mileage, 64.40; Rex Sulsberger, juror fee, 70.00/mileage, 103.50; Tricia Thayer, juror mileage, 17.25; Matt Tighe, juror mileage, 49.45; Transfer to Library Fund, 4,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 4,000.00; John Trimble, juror mileage, 57.50; U-Save Mart, fuel, 131.07; UNL Extension, state car, 32.42; Viaero Wireless, phone, 110.52; Village of Harrison, utilities, 573.84; Vistabeam, 68.95; Valerie Wadhams, juror mileage, 57.50; Gwen Walsh, juror mileage, 69.00; Wade Wasserburger, juror mileage, 34.50; Rodney Willems, juror mileage, 69.00; WNCC Adult Education, class, 30.00; Lacey Wurdeman, juror mileage, 13.80; H. Glen Yetter, juror mileage, 69.00; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 161.00.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 31,966.74; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,139.02/employee share retirement, 1,425.98; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 14,475.24; Cody Bruegger, labor, 262.50; Centurylink, internet, 58.60; Chadron Glass, repairs, 500.00; Crawford Clipper, ad, 82.01; Deluxe Radiator, repairs, 189.11; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, supplies, 3,948.40; Floyd's Truck Center, repairs, 5,738.97; Herren's, supply, 570.06; Horse Creek Tire, tire repair, 102.00; Ideal Linen, rugs, 69.25; Lotton's Service & Repair, repairs, 389.40; Mark Chrisman Trucking, Inc., gravel screening, 35,848.30; Moore Equipment Company, supplies, 206.88; NE Motor Fuel Division, fuel tax, 415.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 675.73; NE Dept. of Transportation, supplies, 406.25; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 1,952.89; NEA, electric, 62.71; Office Depot, supplies, 91.67; James Phipps, hotel, 184.46/mileage, 535.90; Powerplan, repairs, 3,338.67; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 5,918.97; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,764.63/employee share social security, 1,764.63/county share medicare, 412.71/employee share medicare, 412.71/withholding, 1,275.46; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 452.53; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 79.21; Village of Harrison, utility, 96.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 83.19.

FEDERAL FUNDS PURCHASE PROGRAM FUND: Topkote, asphalt road, 138,600.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,450.79; Amazon, supplies, 165.86; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 97.93/employee share retirement, 65.29; Centurylink, phone/internet, 149.16; Junior Library Guild, subscription, 1,074.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 58.53; NE Library Commission, subscription, 500.00; NEA, electricity, 111.20; Security First Bank, county share social security, 89.95/employee share social security 89.95/county share medicare, 21.04/employee share medicare 21.04/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 103.00.

NOXIOUS WEED GRANT FUND: Noxious Weed Fund, transfer, 5,200.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 4,801.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 324.07/employee share retirement, 216.05; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 58.60; Heritage Seed, chemical, 862.00; Herren Brothers, supplies, 81.48; Lotton's, fuel, 349.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 64.47; NE Weed Control Assoc., training, 240.00; Office Depot, supplies, 62.82; Nick Sanderson, mileage, 119.60; Security First Bank, county share social security, 269.72/employee share social security, 269.72/county share medicare, 63.08/employee share medicare, 63.08/withholding, 235.90.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.



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Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the renewal contract submitted by Pritchard & Abbott, Inc. for oil and gas mineral interest appraisal services for 2021 and 2022. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer updated the county financial status to the board. Klein advised the board of receipt of FEMA money and other receipts. An ad has been placed for a part-time employee in the treasurer's office.

Sheriff McCumbers updated the board on recent activities. Garrette Naillon was introduced as a new employee to the board. Required trainings were discussed. Sheriff McCumbers advised that he has placed an ad for a part-time employee.

Jenny Nixon advised the board that robotics will be starting soon, with competitions being held in February or March. The 4-H enrollment numbers have doubled this year.

Brad and Jodi Thomsen met with the board, Jim Phipps and Gary Thayer regarding a culvert on Indian Creek Road. Options of how to replace the culvert were discussed. Road Foreman Phipps will contact contractors to get quotes on doing excavator work to complete the project. Thomsen thanked the road department for cleaning the cattle guard.

Two bids were opened for county road watershed projects. Fuller Construction and Mark Chrisman Trucking, Inc. submitted bids. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to accept the bids. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Stacey Swinney discussed bridge inspections with the board.

Proposals for repairs on the courthouse roof were reviewed. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to accept the bids. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. More information will be gathered prior to proceeding with the repairs.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve Resolution 2020-2, The County Annual Certification of Program Compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet November 2, 2020.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk



# Sioux County Board Minutes



Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

November 2, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room November 2, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, Hal Downer and J.W. Geiser. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the September 1 and 14, 2020 meetings. On roll call vote Downer, yes; Geiser, yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 39,023.50; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 321.95; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 191.20; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,544.48/employee share, 1,722.11; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 18,651.80; Bytes Computer Solutions, e-mail set-up, 979.06; Centurylink, internet, 32.50/ phone 225.89; Crites & Shaffer Law Office, county court fees, 1,308.81; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 218.84; Dugan Business Forms, envelopes, 92.56; E S & S, ballots, 4,322.77; Audrey M. Elliott, court-appointed attorney, 1,490.00; Dennelle Fischer, deductible reimbursement, 1,713.39; JW Geiser, mileage, 142.60; Herren's, supplies, 5.49; David Howell, mileage, 57.50; Lacy Klein, mileage, 80.50; Lotton's, fuel, 148.10; Bill Mack, deductible reimbursement, 1,250.00; Chad McCumbers, mileage, meals, room, supplies, 786.97; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,409.52; Mobius Communications, phone service, 227.69; Brad Munson, grounds, 500.00; NACO, registrations, 600.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,005.47; NE Total Office, supplies, 94.75; Nebraskaland Tire, tires, 1,420.32; Nextoner, LLC, supplies, 297.86; NEA, electricity, 505.06; JoElla Norman, class registration, 125.00; Nossaman, Petitt Law Firm, PC, court appointed attorney, 2,149.45; Quadient Finance USA, postage, 1,000.00; Quill Corporation, supplies, 219.04; Region 23 Emergency Management, yearly fee, 17,075.00; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial contract, 1,200.00; Sarah Sanderson, custodial supply, 445.55; David Sauls, deductible reimbursement, 1,250.00; Scottsbluff County Treasurer, probation costs, 909.97; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,130.82/employee share social security, 2,130.82/county share medicare 498.36/employee share medicare, 498.36/ withholding, 2,137.46; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 508.33; Josh Skavdahl, deductible reimbursement, 2,500.00; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/ phone, 21.15; Smith, King & Simmons, court costs, 50.00; Joe Stecher, mileage, 84.53; Transfer to Library Fund, 5,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 5,000.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 47.36; UNL Extension, intern salaries, 4,131.27; USDA, APHIS, predator control, 6,020.21; Viaero Wireless, phone, 99.61; Village of Harrison, utilities, 449.84; Vistabeam, 68.95; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 80.50.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 32,506.83; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 510.77; Ameritas Life Insurance, optical insurance, 215.26; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,175.48/employee share retirement, 1,450.28; B & C Steel, supplies, 56.21; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 16,563.52; Cody Bruegger, labor, 5,400.00; Centurylink, internet, 58.60; Elliot Chapman, DOT physical, 100.00; Coe Engineering, fees, 7,202.25; Contractor Services, Inc., supply, 5,500.00; Contractors Materials, supplies, 312.04; Dooley Oil, Inc., fuel, 3,823.05; Floyd's Truck Center, repairs, 379.16; Frank Parts, parts, 112.33; Groskopf Manufacturing, supplies, 764.40; Herren's, supply, 259.16; Horse Creek Tire, tire repair, 65.20; Ideal Linen, rugs, 35.30; Kaufman Glass, repairs, 210.00; Mark Chrisman Trucking, Inc., gravel screening, 36,416.40; Morrill Supply, repairs, 78.19; NACO, conference registration, 125.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee



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withholding, 689.63; Nebraska Machinery, repairs, 399.99; NEA, electric, 77.86; Office Depot, supplies, 72.11; Panhandle Coop System, fuel, 297.09; Powerplan, repairs, 1,361.10; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 1,838.22; Sandberg Implement, Inc. supply, 475.00; Security First Bank, county share social security, 1,772.23/employee share social security, 1,772.23/county share medicare, 414.48/employee share medicare, 414.48/withholding, 1,293.62; Skeeter's Napa, parts, 285.91; TDS Environmental Services, garbage, 25.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 143.29; Village of Harrison, utility, 94.65; Village of Morrill, electric, 86.03; WPCI, drug testing, 180.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,567.25; Amazon, supplies, 387.38; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 105.79/employee share retirement, 70.53; Bluffs Facility Solutions, supplies, 142.99; Centurylink, phone/internet, 149.35; Crawford Clipper, ad, 8.84; Herren's, supplies, 21.15; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 52.00; NEA, electricity, 90.00; Sarah Sanderson, supplies, 55.14; Security First Bank, county share social security, 97.17/employee share social security 97.17/county share medicare, 22.73/employee share medicare 22.73/withholding, 100.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 89.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 3,201.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, employee optical insurance, 33.10; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 216.07/employee share retirement, 144.05; Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance, 2,088.28; Centurylink, internet, 58.61; Crawford Clipper, ad, 99.00; Herren Brothers, supplies, 140.18; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 30.51; NE Security First Bank, county share social security, 170.52/employee share social security, 170.52/county share medicare, 39.88/employee share medicare, 39.88/ withholding, 150.00.

Don Lease, Heather Brown and others met with the board to explain the Nebraska Strong Recovery Project. "The project is an outreach program that works with public and private partnerships to provide community-based counseling and identify unmet needs during the current COVID-19 pandemic in the state of Nebraska." They go into the communities to see what the community needs are. Informational pamphlets will be distributed throughout the community.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Clerk/Assessor submitted monthly reports.

Lacy Klein, Sioux County Treasurer updated the county financial status to the board.

Nick Sanderson updated the board. No fall training was held due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Sanderson has applied for the forest service grant of up to \$9,000.00.

Jenny Nixon advised the board of a steering committee consisting of herself, Mike Kesselring and Kerri Rempp, with the discussion point of tourism, and the changes in travel, preparing communities for an influx of people coming into our communities, and how to make ourselves ready to receive money from tourists. They also discussed helping people in distress in these times and how to deal with that.

Road Superintendent Gary Thayer and Road Foreman/Asst. Superintendent Jim Phipps met with the board and discussed repairs on Indian Creek Road. Dirt work estimates were discussed. Phipps will contact Tim Buskirk, with NRCS to request financial help from them for the project.

The watershed protection projects were discussed. Motion by Geiser, seconded by Downer to award the work on the projects to Fuller Construction. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.





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Brad Thayer advised the board that he is to have shoulder surgery on November 30. He will be off work for a minimum of 6 weeks, with full recovery being 4 months. Thayer requested to be paid for the time he is off, and he would make up the time after he comes back. Discussion was held regarding the employee handbook not addressing a situation like this. Brad will be allowed to bank some compensatory time now, to be used during his recovery.

Jim Phipps discussed a drug and alcohol program that he is looking for training for. Big Iron will be coming sometime this week to look at items to be sold at auction. Phipps also advised the board that FEMA funds have been committed to Sioux County. They should be here by the end of the year.

The board adjourned for a lunch recess at 12:10.

Jerry Berggren, Berggren Architects was contacted via telephone to discuss the courthouse lighting project. There will be a pre-bid conference and walk-through for interested contractors on November 6 at 11:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 1:11 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet December 1, 2020.

/s/Joshua Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk





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SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

HARRISON, NEBRASKA

November 16, 2020

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met for a special meeting at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room on November 16, 2020 at 10:05 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners Josh Skavdahl, J. W. Geiser and Hal Downer. County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman was also present. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer seconded by Geiser to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried. J.W. Geiser opened the meeting in prayer.

Road Foreman-Asst. Superintendent Jim Phipps discussed the purchase of a truck that he is looking at in Alliance. The truck would replace the one that will be sold on Big Iron Auctions on December 16.

Phipps updated the board on the Indian Creek Road dam project.

The watershed program road projects and FEMA repairs are moving ahead.

Phipps will run an ad for part-time help due to two employees being out currently.

Two bids were opened for the courthouse lighting project. Triangle Electric submitted a bid of \$87,000, and Snell Services submitted a bid of \$111,210. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to accept the bids. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Downer, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried. The bids will be forwarded to Jerry Berggren, Architect for his review.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

/s/Josh Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk