

WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, May 2, 2017, for a regular business meeting at the Courthouse in Red Cloud. The following Board Members were present for roll call: Dan Shipman (District One), Trevor Karr (District Two), Roger Bohrer (District Three), Keith Buschow (District Four) and JoAnn Reiher (District Five). The Board stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Chairman Buschow gave notice of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act Laws. Motion was made by Bohrer, second by Shipman, to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2017 meeting. Upon roll call vote, voting to approve the minutes: Bohrer, Shipman, Karr, Buschow, and Reiher. Voting no, abstaining or absent: none.

Jeff Kuhn, Road Maintenance Coordinator, met with the Board. The Road Crews are putting rock on bad spots in roads. The Construction Crew has been working on bridge removal on Road M. Troy Anderson, while running cattle pods, commented on how good the roads are. Two maintainers are working on the feedlot road, adding rock to fill in pot holes. Cornerstones are being filled in. The hydro-mulcher is being repaired with the parts being under warranty. A new employee will be starting on May 15, 2017. The Road Crew will attend a Workshop on May 10th and 11th for technique training and skills testing. NIRMA will be doing safety inspections of the road shops on May 19th. Kuhn will be attending preconstruction meetings for the windfarm on May 17th and 18th. A Public Hearing for the reclassification of Road 1400 will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 10:30am.

Kuhn presented Amendment 1 for County Project Nos. C91-357 & C91-637. Speece Lewis Engineers will do a profile and topographical survey for grading on 1100 and K roads. Oak Creek Engineering completed engineering for Projects Nos. 378, 522, 627 and 642. Discussion was had on Project No. 579.

The decision was made not to purchase the Road Runner. Discussion was had on the purchase of a Kuhn road side mower. After discussion, the Board approved purchasing the mower for \$12,852.00.

At 9:50am, Sheriff Troy Schmitz met with the Board to discuss disposing of 2 retired patrol cars. Jared Lewis has agreed to dispose of the vehicles.

The Board received a letter from the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice stating that the Webster County Jail was visited, evaluated and in compliance with the Minimum Jail Standards. The Board reviewed a letter from Sheriff Schmitz reporting the collection of Distress Warrants between November 1, 2016 and April 21, 2017.

Commissioner Bohrer will be present for the boiler inspection on Friday, May 5th, 2017. Discussion will continue after that inspection for replacing heating/cooling in the courthouse.

At 9:45am, Rob Wilson, Chairman of the Webster County Ag Society, met with the Board for approval of a Special Designated License. Upon discussion and finding that the Webster County Board of Commissioners have jurisdiction in this matter, motion was made by Commissioner Shipman, seconded by Commissioner Bohrer to allow for and approving the State issuance of a Special Designated License for the Webster County Ag Association allowing for sale, use and consumption of beer, wine and distilled spirits in the designated areas of the Webster County Fairgrounds on July 27th, 28th and 29th, 2017. Upon roll call vote, the motion was approved by the Members of the Board of Commissioners and notice of action will be forwarded to the Nebraska Liquor Commission.

At 10:00, Brittany Bennett met with the Board to discuss National Day of Prayer. National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 4, 2017. Members of the public will meet on the south steps of the Courthouse on that day at 12:00pm.

Discussion was had on making the Agenda part of the minutes for each meeting. After discussion, it was agreed that the Agenda will be part of the approved minutes. Clerk Klingenberger presented a sign-in sheet for members of the public to sign if they would like to address the Board during a Public Hearing. This is to assure that all members of the public that address the Board will be included in the minutes. After discussion, the sign-in sheet was approved.

Discussion was had concerning the position of Webster County Planning and Zoning Administrator. Webster County Planning and Zoning Administrator Lonnie Knehans has submitted his resignation effective June 21st, 2017. Jeff Kuhn and Sonja Krueger joined the meeting. After discussion, it was determined that Kuhn, Krueger, Klingenberger and Buschow will review the Zoning Regulations and propose to the Board a process for Planning and Zoning.

At 11:30am, Webster County Treasurer Janet Knehans presented **RESOLUTION 27 -2017:**

APPROVAL OF PLEDGED SECURITIES

RESOLUTION 27 – 2017

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Webster County, Nebraska, that **SOUTH CENTRAL STATE BANK** be permitted to Pledge the following securities, held in escrow by the Webster County Treasurer (trustee) to secure deposits in the County in said bank, to wit:

FHL BANK – TOPEKA

IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT #45416

AMOUNT: \$4,500,000.00

EXPIRATION DATE: 06/28/2017

ADOPTED by the Webster County Board of Commissioners this 2nd day of May, 2017.

Motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr, to approve **RESOLUTION 27 – 2017**. Upon roll call vote, voting in favor: Shipman, Karr, Bohrer, Buschow and Reiher.

Motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr, to approve **RESOLUTION 28 – 2017:**

APPROVAL OF PLEDGED SECURITIES

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BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Webster County, Nebraska, that **SOUTH CENTRAL STATE BANK** be permitted to Pledge the following securities, held in escrow by the Webster County Treasurer (trustee) to secure deposits in the County in said bank, to wit:

FHL BANK – TOPEKA

IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT #45415**AMOUNT: \$2,500,000.00****EXPIRATION DATE: 04/20/2018****ADOPTED** by the Webster County Board of Commissioners this 2nd day of May, 2017.Motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr, to approve **RESOLUTION 28 – 2017**. Upon roll call vote, voting in favor: Shipman, Karr, Bohrer, Buschow and Reiher.Discussion was had on the increase in the premium of employee health insurance. This was not on the agenda so it was tabled to the May 16th, 2017 meeting.

The following claims were approved for payment;

Wages for 6 part-time and 20 EMT's \$9,605.59

	General Fund	
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp	Retire	\$ 426.87
Black Hills Energy	Utility	608.00
Blue Valley Door Company, Inc	Repairs	735.00
CEI Security	Repairs	376.00
DAS State Accounting/Central Finance	Fee	448.00
Jolene K Duffy	Expense	32.99
S.S.	FICA	459.01
Eakes Office Solutions	Supplies	565.86
Galls Incorporated	Uniforms	93.10
Glenwood	Fee	10.00
Great Plains Communications	Phone	155.60
Hometown Leasing	Lease	198.99
Jared's Auto Expert	Repairs	207.34
Liz Kierl	Expense	28.57
Carol Kumke	Expense	298.53
Leaf Capitol Funding, LLC	Equip	424.45
Duane Lienemann	Expense	18.54
Midland Area Agency on Aging	Handibus	1,203.98
NACO	Registration	300.00
NACO	Registration	325.00
Nebr Assn of County Clerks	Registration	100.00
Nebr Clerk of Dist Court	Registration	150.00
Nebr Dept of Labor/Finance	Inspection	48.00
Pederson Distributing	Supplies	85.01
City of Red Cloud	Utility	1,354.75
Superior Publishing Company, Inc	Supply	30.00
Theobald Law Office	Counsel	2,897.50
Todd's Trees & More	Fee	525.00
University of Nebraska	Lease	1,262.27
Verizon Wireless	Fee	47.34
Village Pharmacy	Medical	76.75
Web Co Sheriff-Petty Cash Fund	Replenish	228.98
Webster County Court	Crt Costs	40.00
Webster County Hospital	Testing	60.00
Williams Exterminating, Inc	Pest Control	88.00
	Road/Bridge Fund	
Ace/Eaton Metals	Culverts	11,084.80
Ameritas Life Insurance, Corp	Retire	20.52
Black Hills Energy	Utility	185.94
Bladen Sand & Gravel	Gravel	29,005.91
City of Blue Hill	Utility	75.15
S.S.	FICA	23.26
Glenwood Telecommunications	Phone	146.32
Great Plains Communications	Phones	201.06
John Deere Financial	Repairs	793.81
LRNRD Rural Water Project	Water	22.21
Nebraska Machinery Company	Repairs	264.43
Oak Creek Engineering, LLC	Fees	375.00
Olson Enterprises, LLC	Fuel	5,872.90
R & M Disposal, LLC	Utility	33.00
Red Cloud Chief	Publish	38.57

Kary Winslow	Expense	74.66
	Road/Bridge Const Fund	
Ace/Eaton Metals	Culverts	6,681.40
Bladen Sand & Gravel	Gravel	1,245.09
Cencon of Kansas Utility Contracts	Gravel	6,540.81
Oak Creek Engineering, LLC	Fee	1,450.00
	Self-Insured Dental Fund	
Mark E Bush, DDS	Dental	52.00
Central Dental Group	Dental	157.60
Sean M Daly, D.D.S.	Dental	497.00
McCann-Carpenter Dental, LLC	Dental	59.00
RC Wilson & SA Wilson D.D.S, PC	Dental	191.20
	Inheritance Tax Fund	
Prochaska & Associates, Inc	Expense	4,120.62
	Noxious Weed Fund	
Great Plains Communications	Phone	47.29
	Ambulance Fund	
Black Hills Energy	Utility	75.70
S.S.	FICA	252.59
Gene Horne	Supplies	114.91
Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc	Rental	149.50
Moore Medical, LLC	Medical	397.58

Being no further business, Chairperson Buschow adjourned the meeting at 11:30am. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 8:30am. A current agenda and complete minutes are on file at the County Clerk's office and at www.co.webster.ne.us.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2017.

Webster County Board of Commissioners

Dan Shipman - District One

Trevor Karr – District Two

Roger Bohrer – District Three

Keith Buschow – Chairperson – District Four

JoAnn Reiher – District Five

ATTEST: Debra Klingenberger, County Clerk