

WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, May 1, 2018, 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 Reiher, to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2018 meeting. Upon roll call vote, voting to approve the minutes: Bohrer, Reiher, Shipman, Karr and Buschow. Voting no, absent or abstaining: none.

At 8:35am, Jeff Kuhn, Road Maintenance Coordinator, met with the Board. Kuhn and Monica Montgomery, Road Department Office Manager, attended Fema Emergency Management training for the Disaster Relief Process. Kuhn attended Flood Plain Management training. Kuhn has requested that other entities of Webster County meet to discuss the Plan. Van Kirk is doing the final grading for Project 605. Kuhn has met with Tim Farmer, Speece Lewis Engineering, concerning billing questions. Kuhn presented the active project list for projects engineered by Speece Lewis Engineering. Buschow signed a Contractors Application for Payment for Project #357.

Motion was made by Bohrer, seconded by Karr, to approve **RESOLUTION 10 – 2018:**

**MINIMUM MAINTENANCE ROAD
RECLASSIFICATION TO LOCAL ROAD**

WEBSTER COUNTY

RESOLUTION 10 – 2018

WHEREAS, Webster County desires to improve Y Road, starting at the centerline of Road 1900 and proceeding 2,670 feet east to rural local classified road according to minimum design standards, including drainage structures, grading and gravel, and

WHEREAS, the road re-classification and improvements will benefit the citizens of the county if the road is improved.

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of the above facts, the Webster County Board of Commissioners hereby declares that said road shall be re-classified from Minimum Maintenance to Rural Local to become effective as soon as concurrence and approval is received from the State of Nebraska Department of Transportation.

Upon roll call vote, voting in favor: Bohrer, Karr, Reiher, Shipman and Buschow. Voting no, absent or abstaining: none.

RESOLUTION 10 – 2018 was signed.

Discussion was had concerning equipment. Kuhn has found a trailer at Blue River Trucks. Motion was made by Bohrer, seconded by Karr, to approve the purchase of the trailer with the condition of selling the 1996 Witzco trailer on consignment. Upon roll call vote, voting in favor: Bohrer, Karr, Reiher, Shipman and Bohrer. Voting no, absent or abstaining: none. Review of the motor grader payment schedule was had. Discussion for the purchase of a bale grinder and disk was had. Discussion for the dump truck was tabled until later in the meeting.

Motion was made by Karr, seconded by Bohrer, to award the bids for Project #629 and Project #630 to Kucera Excavating. The bid for Project #629 was \$16,304.00 and the bid for Project #630 was \$13,206.00. Upon roll call vote, voting in favor: Karr, Bohrer, Reiher, Shipman and Buschow. Voting no, absent or abstaining: none.

At 9:15am, Sharon Hueftle, Executive Director for South Central Economic Development District(SCEDD), met with the Board. Hueftle reviewed activities of the organization in Webster County over the last year. James Lounsbury, a Councilperson for the City of Blue Hill, described how SCEDD has assisted the city.

At 9:30am, James Lounsbury met with the Board to discuss a contract between the Webster County Sheriff and the City of Blue Hill. Sheriff Troy Schmitz was in attendance. Discussion was had on what duties the Sheriffs's office will be and what the expectations of the City of Blue Hill are.

At 9:45am, Gene Horne, Red Cloud EMT, met with the Board to discuss L.B. 760 which entitles the Volunteer First Responders to a \$250.00 tax credit. Horne reviewed the criteria that needs to be met to receive this credit. After discussion, motion was made by Karr, seconded by Shipman to sign the Annual Certification for the Volunteer Emergency Responders Incentive Act for 2016 and 2017. Upon roll call vote, all voted in favor.

At 9:50am, Janet Knehans, Webster County Treasurer, met with the Board. Knehans presented **RESOLUTION 11 – 2018:**

RESOLUTION 11 – 2018

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 the deposits in the County in said bank, to wit:

**FHL BANK-TOPEKA
IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT #49990
AMOUNT: \$2,500,000.00
EXPIRATION DATE: 04/19/2019**

ADOPTED by the Webster County Board of Commissioners this 1st day of May, 2018

Motion was made by Karr, seconded by Shipman, to approve **RESOLUTION 11 – 2018**. Upon roll call vote, voting in favor: Karr, Shipman, Bohrer, Reiher and Buschow. Voting no, absent or abstaining: none.

Knehans presented to the Board a listing of the taxing Districts and how much each received from the Nameplate Capacity Tax that was collected for the last quarter of 2017.

At 9:55am, Tami Scheuneman, Webster County Planning and Zoning Administrator, met with the Board. Scheuneman had discussed Zoning Regulation 501.03 "D" with the Webster County Attorney who recommended leaving the statute as is and handling each situation individually. The Board agreed to this.

At 10:15am, Dan Schwartzkopf and Jason Boyd, Account Executives for Krull Agency, met with the Board. Several of the Department Heads/Elected Officials were also in attendance. Discussion was had concerning underwriting, pre-existing conditions, meeting deductibles and the Affordable Care Act. The decision was made to have each employee that is on the County health insurance to complete an Employee Health Application Form, submit them to Krull Agency for them to prepare a quote for the cost to the County.

Discussion was had on the painting of the Extension office. After discussion, the project was awarded to Monica Schmitz.

At 11:00am, Sheriff Troy Schmitz met with the Board to discuss the County Jail Budget for the remaining of the 2017/2018 Budget year. Even though the jail has generated more revenue than expected, due to a surplus of out of County Inmates and that added expense, Sheriff Schmitz expects to exceed the projected Budget. After discussion, Commissioner Karr suggested that \$10,000.00 be transferred to the Jail Fund. This will be discussed at the May 15, 2018 meeting.

Commissioner Karr left the meeting at 11:30am.

At 11:15am, Debra Klingenberger, Webster County Clerk, presented General Assistance 2018-1. After discussion, motion was made by Bohrer, seconded by Shipman, to pay the request for payment of utilities totaling \$184.39. Upon roll call vote, voting in favor: Bohrer, Shipman, Reiher and Buschow. Absent: Karr. Voting no or abstaining: none.

At 11:55am, Jeff Kuhn, Road Maintenance Coordinator, rejoined the meeting and discussion resumed concerning purchasing of a dump truck. After discussion, motion was made by Karr, via teleconference, seconded by Shipman, to approve the purchase of a 2011 20yard Peterbilt dump truck for \$68,500.00. Upon roll call vote, voting in favor: Karr, Shipman, Bohrer and Buschow. Voting no: Reiher. Absent or abstaining: none.

The following claims were approved for payment:

Wages for 4 part-time and 15 EMTS \$6,002.37

		General Fund	
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp	Retire		\$ 245.87
Anderson, Klein, Brewster & Brandt	Counsel		901.86
Jordyn Atwater	Expense		18.09
BDY Cabinets and More	Repairs		369.45
Charm-Tex Inc	Supply		109.08
Countryman Associates	Audit		1,000.00
DAS State Accounting/Central Finance	Fee		448.00
S.S	Fica		278.66
Eakes Office Solutions	Supply		1,215.29
Election Systems & Software	Supply		66.06
Energized Electric, LLC	Repairs		641.57
ERC Communications	Contact		360.00
Farm & Home Publishers, LTD	Plat Books		479.00
First Concord Benefits Group	Health/Buy Down		1,412.10
First National Bank of Omaha	Supply		32.09
Glenn Plumbing & Heating	Repairs		94.67
Glenwood	Phone		166.72
Great Plains Communications	Phones		332.76
Marvin Hartman	Expense		20.90
Troy Himmelberg	Expense		35.07
Hometown Leasing	Leases		2,339.43
Elizabeth Janning	Expense		109.00
Jared's Auto Expert	Repairs		667.49
Carol Kumke	Expense		133.18
Kustom Signals Inc.	Equip		1,075.00
Jerry Langer	Expense		20.90
Leaf Capitol Funding, LLC	Lease		390.70
Lieske Law Firm	Counsel		38.00
Jack McGuire	Repairs		440.00
NE Assn of Co Ext BDS	Dues		100.00
Neb Dept of Labor/Finance	Inspections		48.00
Pierce Electronics	Repairs		2,793.48
Red Cloud Chief	Publish		231.27
City of Red Cloud	Utility		1,383.59
Rene Rodriguez	Expense		166.97
Bradley Schick	Expense		245.80
Sequoia Consulting Group	Fee		352.11

Rhoda Shurigar	Fees	112.55
Skalka & Baack Law Firm	Counsel	2,203.40
South Central Pub Power Dist	Utility	24.80
Paul Stoner	Expense	21.99
Sullivan Shoemaker P.C. L.L.O.	Counsel	1,060.67
Theobald Law Office	Counsel	1,045.00
Verizon Wireless	Phone	47.34
Keith Waechter	Expense	40.52
Watch Guard	Supply	118.26
Webster County Court	Crt Costs	47.00
Webster County Hospital	Health Fees	1,160.00
Williams Exterminating, Inc	Pest Control	88.00
	Road/Bridge Fund	
Ace/Eaton Metals	Culverts	4,996.00
Bladen Sand & Gravel, Inc	Gravel	13,178.57
City of Blue Hill	Utility	109.10
Blue River Trucks	Trailer	36,000.00
Central Community College	Training	230.00
Country Corner	Fuel	420.98
S.S.	Fica	39.67
Energized Electric, LLC	Utility	1,934.14
First Concord Benefits Group	Health	500.00
Glenwood Telecommunications	Phones	154.51
Great Plains Communications	Phone	209.96
Michael Hunt	Expense	23.63
Island Supply Welding Company	Tools	296.85
J & A Auto Supply	Repairs	556.37
John Deere Financial	Repairs	137.79
LRNRD Rural Water Project	Water	22.00
Meridian Agriculture Distribution	Chemical	1,728.92
Monica Montgomery	Postage	9.85
NCK Quarries, LLC	Gravel	12,208.85
Nebraska Machinery Company	Repairs	549.77
R & M Disposal, LLC	Utility	33.00
South Central Pub Power Dist	Utility	234.48
Windstream	Phone	65.30
	Road/Bridge Const Fund	
JEO Consulting Group	Fees	4,196.25
Van Kirk Contracting	Culverts	135,377.42
	Self-Insured Dental Fund	
Kory L Bumgardner D.D.S.	Dental	781.20
McCann-Carpenter Dental LLC	Dental	113.00
Pediatric Dental Specialists	Dental	362.00
RC Wilson & SA Wilson D.D.S, PC	Dental	373.60
	County Medical/Relief Fund	
City of Blue Hill	Utility	167.40
South Central Pub Power Dist	Utility	16.99
	Bridge Bond Fund	
Union Bank & Trust Co.	Admin. Fee	524.00
	Noxious Weed Fund	
Bostock Welding, LLC	Repairs	65.50
Great Plains Communications	Phone	47.48
Meridian Agriculture Distribution	Chemical	137.20
Nebraska Weed Control Assn-Region	Dues	15.00
	Ambulance Fund	
Central Community College	Training	1,084.37
S.S.	Fica	140.91
Matheson Tri-Gas	Rental	202.83

Being no further business, Chairperson Buschow adjourned the meeting at 12:10pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 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 1st day of May, 2018.
Webster County Board of Commissioners
ATTEST: Debra Klingenberger,
Webster County Clerk