

WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 for a regular business meeting at the Courthouse in Red Cloud. The following Board Members were present for roll call: Dan Shipman (District One), TJ Vance (District Three), Keith Buschow (District Four) and Gary Ratzlaff (District Five). Absent: Trevor Karr (District Two). The Board stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Buschow gave notice of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act Laws. Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Vance to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2019 meeting. Voting in favor: Buschow, Ratzlaff, Vance and Shipman. Absent: Trevor Karr. Motion carried.

At 8:35am, Paul Stoner met with the Board. Progress is being made on Walnut Creek Project and concrete pouring will depend on the weather but things are moving along at a faster pace. Paul has ordered rock. The Board discussed the Showboat Road.

Motion was made by Shipman, second by Ratzlaff to pay claims and payroll. All members voted in favor.

Commissioner Ratzlaff reported on the window blinds. An estimate was presented to the Board. The Board has chosen to table this project due to high cost submitted.

Treasurer Knehans presented an Application for Appointment as a County Depository and Pledged Securities which is something new that has to be done each year. Motion was made by Shipman, second by Vance to approve Resolution 1-2020. Voting in favor: Buschow, Ratzlaff, Vance and Shipman. Absent: Karr. Motion carried. Resolution 1-2020 was approved.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1-2020**

**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 #59767**

**AMOUNT: \$750,000.00**

**EXPIRATION DATE: 02/14/2020**

**ADOPTED** by the Webster County Board of Commissioners this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020.

Treasurer Knehans also spoke to the Board about needing new computers. After discussion, motion was made by Shipman, second by Ratzlaff to go ahead and purchase them from MIPS. Voting in favor: Buschow, Ratzlaff and Shipman. Voting no: Vance. Absent: Karr.

Sheriff Schmitz submitted his Sheriff's Quarterly Fee Report and Letter stating he had collected all of 2019 Distress Warrants amounting to \$8,227.51.

At 9:30am, Roy Montgomery met with the Board on selling surplus items for the County. The Board stated they would consider this in the future.

Deputy Assessor Schueneman met with the Board on Tax Corrections 19 & 20. Motion was made by Shipman, second by Ratzlaff to go into Board of Equalization. All members voted in favor. Motion was made by Vance, second by Ratzlaff to approve Tax Corrections 19 & 20. Voting in favor: Buschow, Ratzlaff, Vance and Shipman. Absent: Karr. Motion carried. Motion was made by Shipman, second by Vance to go out of Board of Equalization. Voting in favor: Buschow, Ratzlaff, Vance and Shipman. Absent: Karr. Motion carried.

Planning & Zoning Administrative Tami Scheuneman also presented Annual Report for Livestock Friendly County for Keith to sign. All members approved of this.

At 10:00am, Dennis VanWey, Noxious Weed Superintendent met with the Board on his Annual Activity Reports for Keith to sign. Dennis went over each of them with the Board members. Dennis and the Board also discussed new job descriptions for his position since he will be retiring February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020. They discussed interviewing applicants. Applications can be picked up at the Clerk's Office.

Paul Stoner and Darrel Buschkoetter reported to the Board on Big Iron selling items for the County and their rate schedule.

The Clerk of District Court Summary Fee Forecast Report was given to the Board.

The following claims and payroll are listed below:

**GENERAL FUND:** Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Retire)-\$321.87; Bockstadter & Glen Law, LLC (Contract)-\$1705.00; Katie Bolte (Expense)-\$173.00; Ron Brumbaugh (Contract)-\$1766.67; Buffalo County Sheriff (Fees)-\$21.29; Busch Construction (Repairs)-\$600.00; Carmichael Construction, LLC (Contract)-\$16,40.00; Comfort Inn (Lodging)-\$439.80; DAS State Accounting/Central Finance (Fees)-\$448.00; Department of Pathology (Fee)-\$272.00; Fica (S.S.)-\$364.77; Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$433.33; First Concord Benefits (Health)-\$63.91; Glenwood (Repairs)-\$210.00; Great Plains Communications (Phone)-\$1193.20; Hometown Leasing (Equip)-\$129.00; Integrated Security Solutions (Fees)-\$480.00; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment (Uniforms)-\$719.63; Elizabeth Janning (Expense)-\$120.64; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$99.82; Leaf Capitol Funding, LLC (Equip)-\$424.45; Mid-American Search Chemical (Supply)-\$382.51; Mid-States Organized Crime Info (Fee)-\$100.00; Midland Area Agency on Aging (Handibus)-\$1799.88; Mips (Supply)-\$311.56; Mips Inc (Monthly Support)-\$2248.33; Nebr Clerk of Dist Court Assn (Dues)-\$50.00; Neofunds by Neopost (Postage)-\$1000.00; Sydney O'Daniel (Expense)-\$59.16; Alexa Pedersen (Expense)-\$56.84; Red Cloud Chief (Publish)-\$373.44; City of Red Cloud (Utility)-\$1398.45; Ryan Law Office (Counsel)-\$494.78; Sam's Club (Supply)-\$48.32; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$24.80; Amber Stoner (Supply)-\$122.00; Terwey Law Office (Counsel)-\$703.90; Theobald Law Office (Counsel)-\$1756.40; Key VanWey (Repairs)-\$495.00; Web Co Sheriff-Petty Cash Fund (Replenish)-\$2.00; Webster County Court (Crt Costs)-\$17.00; Williams Exterminating, Inc (Pest Control)-\$88.00; Woodward's Disposal Service (Utility)-\$20.00. **ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:** Heath Arterburn (Expense)-\$133.74; Auto Glass Experts LLC (Repairs)-\$175.00; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$299.60; Bladen Sand & Gravel, Inc (Gravel)-

\$4532.86; City of Blue Hill (Utility)-\$112.03; C&D Service Center (Repairs)-\$ 730.96; Caterpillar Financial Services (Payment)-\$23,858.10; Century Lumber Center (Repairs)-\$7.98; Country Corner (Fuel)-\$299.94; Fastenal (Repairs)-\$42.48; Glenwood Telecommunications (Phones)-\$168.71; Great Plains Communications (Phone)-\$49.58; Village of Guide Rock (Utility)-\$78.70; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$1559.62; Jim's OK Tires (Tires)-\$191.00; Kenny's Lumber & Home Center (Repairs)-\$122.98; LRNRD Rural Water Project (Water)-\$20.00; Mips Inc (Support)-\$108.98; NAPA Auto Parts (Repairs)-\$86.03; Nebraska Machinery Company (Repairs)-\$931.31; Oak Creek Engineering, LLC (Fees)-\$825.00; Power Plan, Dep. 77871 (Repairs)-\$2391.95; R&M Disposal LLC (Utility)-\$33.00; South Central Bobcat, Hastings NE (Repairs)-\$70.15; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$2093.44; Paul Stoner (Expense)-\$34.50; Timm's Service (Fuel)-\$569.66; Michael Todd & Company (Repairs)-\$722.12; Verizon Wireless (Phone)-\$37.32; Windstream (Phone)-\$74.64. ROAD/BRIDGE CONST FUND: C&D Service Center (Repairs)-\$40.00; Oak Creek Engineering, LLC (Fees)-\$4159.30. MODERN RECORDS FUND: Mips Inc (Support)-\$112.00. SELF-INSURED DENTAL FUND: Charles D Bauer, D.D.S. (Dental)-\$1928.00; Kory L Bumgardner D.D.S. (Dental)-\$503.00; Sean M Daly, D.D.S. (Dental)-\$1412.80; Webster County Dental Clinic (Dental)-\$640.00; RC Wilson & SA Wilson D.D.S., PC (Dental)-\$709.00. COUNTY MEDICAL/RELIEF FUND: NE Health & Human Services System (Fees)-\$180.00. NOXIOUS WEED FUND: Comfort Inn (Lodging)-\$219.90; Nebraska Weed Control Assn (Fees)-\$335.00; Dennis L VanWey (Expense)-\$207.00. AMBULANCE FUND: Fica (S.S.)-\$274.06; Great Plains Communications (Phone)-\$48.89; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc (Rental)-\$60.07; Petsch Billing (Contract)-\$350.00. Total Payroll: \$8354.37.

Being no further business, Chairman Buschow adjourned the meeting at 11:10am. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 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](http://www.co.webster.ne.us).

Dated this 7th day of January, 2020  
Webster County Board of Commissioners  
Attest: Louise Petsch  
Webster County Clerk