

WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, August 3rd, 2021 for their regular Business Meeting at the Courthouse in Red Cloud, Nebraska. The following Board Members were present for roll call: Dan Shipman (District One), Trevor Karr (District Two), TJ Vance (District Three), Tim Gilbert (District Four), and Gary Ratzlaff (District Five). The Board stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Vance gave notice of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act Laws. Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Gilbert to approve the minutes of the July 20th, 2021 meeting. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried. Motion was made by Karr, seconded by Shipman to pay claims and payroll. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 8:30am, Roads Administrator Paul Stoner met with the Board. Crews are working on roads. Water drainage has been an issue. They discussed a bridge damaged by someone and what the cost will be to repair it. Tube bid letting done earlier, may be delayed by the Contractor for a short time.

At 9:10am, Motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to approve and sign the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance and also approve and sign Resolution 31 pertaining to the same be signed by each County Board Commissioner. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried. Resolution 31 was signed and adopted.

At 9:15am, Gene Horne spoke to the Board on Ambulances for Red Cloud and Blue Hill. He presented Income, Expenses and Number of Transports for the last three years. He and Marlys Schmidt will meet with the Board on August 17th at 9:30am.

At 9:30am, Lance Harter, County Highway Superintendent presented to the Board an Agreement for Professional Services to be approved and signed. Motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Ratzlaff to approve this Agreement. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried. Lance also suggested the Board meet with Adams County on the Bladen Road Project as soon as a time can be set up.

At 9:40am, Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Gilbert to sign the Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts Letter of Understanding of Audit Agreement. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 9:45am, County Assessor Sonja Krueger met with the Board on the Assessor's Car. After discussion, the matter was tabled until next meeting. She also reported to the Board information she learned at her meeting on changes coming up down the road the Board needs to be aware of.

County Commissioner, Tim Gilbert reported on the HVAC System. The Board will be having a meeting on this matter at next meeting, August 17th.

County Commissioner, Gary Ratzlaff and County Treasurer Janet Knehans reported on the Employee Handbook meeting held earlier. More work is being done on this issue.

County Clerk, Louise Petsch presented her Ambulance Write-off report for the month of July to the Board for review.

The Board would like to meet with the Hospital Administrator at our August 17th meeting. Clerk Petsch will schedule this.

Covid Money report was given by Janet Knehans. We will be attending meetings on this matter.

Flooring bids were discussed and motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to accept Rod Hunter/Rod's Construction bid. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

A Delinquent Tax List report was presented to the Board for review.

The Imprest Account report was given to the Board for review.

Clerk Petsch had submitted her Ambulance Report earlier in the meeting with Gene Horne.

GENERAL FUND: Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$613.48; Katie Bolte (Expense)-\$160.16; Calkins Law Office (Contract)-\$1000.00; DAS State Accounting/Central Finance (Dues)-\$448.00; Douglas County Sheriff (Fees)-\$22.36; S.S. (Fica)-\$705.03; Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$255.78; First Concord Benefits (Fees)-\$138.99; First National Bank Omaha (Supply)-\$250.18; GALLS (Supply)-\$239.49; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$1052.09; Hometown Leasing (Lease)-\$129.00; Elizabeth Janning (Expense)-\$188.16; Sonja Krueger (Expense)-\$41.00; LEAF (Lease)-\$424.45; Brealynn Lockhart (Expense)-\$40.00; NIRMA (Registration)-\$238.00; Alexa Pedersen (Expense)-\$100.80; Postmaster (Fees)-\$64.00; City of Red Cloud (Utility)-\$1829.96; Ken VanWey (Mowing/Trimming)-\$960.00; Web Co Sheriff-Petty Cash Fund (Petty Cash)-\$329.64; Web Co Clerk District Court (Fees)-\$35.00; Williams Exterminating, Inc (Pest Control)-\$88.00; Woodward's Disposal Service (Utility)-\$150.00. **ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:** Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$86.87; Bladen Sand & Gravel, Inc (Gravel/Borrow)-\$30,156.13; City of Blue Hill (Utility)-\$78.82; CENCON of Kansas Utility Contractors (Gravel Surfacing)-\$1145.09; Cornhusker Tool Machine & MFG (Repairs)-\$40.00; Country Corner (Fuel)-\$198.77; Cross Country Freight Solutions (Freight)-\$790.82; S.S. (Fica)-\$98.45; First National Bank Omaha (Supply)-\$358.20; Glenwood Telecommunications (Phones)-\$105.26; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$65.41; Hometown

Leasing (Lease)-\$86.37; Lawson Products, Inc (Supply)-\$275.96; LRNRD Rural Water Project (Utility)-\$24.42; Medical Enterprises, Inc (Supply)-\$70.00; NACO (Registration)-\$150.00; NAPA Auto Parts (Supply)-\$140.02; Nebraska Machinery Company (Supply)-\$421.75; Olson Enterprises LLC (Repairs)-\$18.00; Ben Pavelka Trucking, Inc (Repairs/Supply)-\$1451.85; R&M Disposal LLC (Utility)-\$53.50; Windstream (Phone)-\$79.38; 4 State Trucks (Supply)-\$44.69. SELF-INSURED DENTAL FUND: Hastings Family Dental 1, LLC (Dental)-\$462.20; Gary Lehn, DDS (Dental)-\$45.60; Minden Dental Clinic (Dental)-\$225.40; Webster County Dental Clinic (Dental)-\$2872.00; RC Wilson & SA Wilson D.D.S, PC (Dental)-\$160.00. NOXIOUS WEED FUND: Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$170.93; Brian Pedersen (Expense)-\$64.18. AMBULANCE FUND: S.S. (Fica)-\$212.71; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$49.53; Petsch Billing (Contract)-\$400.00. Total Wages - \$13,371.75.

Being no further business, Chairman TJ Vance adjourned the meeting at 11:45am.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 17th, 2021 at 8:30am. A current agenda and complete minutes are on file in the County Clerk's Office and at www.co.webster.ne.us.

Dated this 3rd day of August, 2021
Webster County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: Louise Petsch
Webster County Clerk