

WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, October 19, 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 October 5th, 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 8:35am, Highway Administrator, Paul Stoner met with the Board. Paul said the road crew is working on getting the wind rows done before winter. Rock has also been ordered for the feedlot road. Discussion was had on the Bladen black top road. Webster and Adams County are working together on an agreement to finance Adams County half of the curve. They are looking at a 10-year plan.

9:00am, The HVAC system and fence were discussed.

9:05am, A County Medical Claim was discussed and tabled for the next meeting.

9:10am, Vance discussed speaking with Pam Bourne about our new handbook. We need to be sure we are setting up the Employee Policy Board correctly.

9:15am, Deputy Assessor, Tami Scheuneman spoke to the board about the Courthouse WiFi problems. She has been in contact with Great Plains Communication and explained what would need to be done to update the WiFi for the Courthouse. Motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to approve these updates. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

9:30am, Noxious Weed Superintendent, Brian Pedersen joined the discussion on snow removal. Kenny VanWey will still be in charge of clearing the sidewalks and parking lot when it snows, however, during the day Pedersen will be in charge of clearing sidewalks, including the Sheriff's office sidewalks. Should Pedersen be gone that day it will be his responsibility to contact Kenny to let him know he will not be available to do this.

There were no updates on COVID money or Jail/Sheriff Building.

9:45am, Discussion was had on venting the basement and elevator. It was decided to look into getting a dehumidifier for the basement and talking to our elevator inspector about what could be done for ventilation. The board members did go to the basement to inspect the area.

The following claims and payroll are listed:

Total Wages- \$149,505.42. **GENERAL FUND:** Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$7364.62; Applied Connective Technologies (Email)-\$44.20; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$56.37; Blue Cross/Blue Shield (Premium)-\$20,285.22; Business World (Supply)-\$32.07; Gov Connection, Inc DBA Connection (Supply)-\$212.70; Cooperative Producers, Inc (Fuel)-\$2040.17; DAS State Accounting/Central Finance (Dues)-\$225.52; S.S. (Fica)-\$7882.44; Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$1016.43; Energized Electric LLC (Repairs)-\$461.00; First Concord Benefits Group (Fees)-\$17.50; First Concord Benefits Group (Buy-Down)-\$225.00; Hometown Market (Supply)-\$117.28; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-429.30; Kenny's Hardware and Home Center (Repairs)-\$4.69; Sonja Krueger (Expense)-\$95.12; Lutz (Budget)-\$2200.00; Madison National Life Ins Co, Inc (Life)-\$31.19; Midwest Special Services (Transport)-\$1138.50; Mips Inc (Support)-\$2405.83; National Patent Analytical Systems (Supply)-\$192.65; Nebraska Sheriff's Association (Dues)-\$175.00; Nebraska Tech & Telecom, Inc (Phones)-\$73.35; Quadient Leasing USA, Inc (Lease)-\$303.00; City of Red Cloud (Utility)-\$18.33; Region 3 Behavioral Health Services (Dues)-\$2299.60; Revive Ministries/Horizon Recovery (Dues)-\$2000.00; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$24.56; Standard Appraisal Services Inc (Fees)-\$669.50; Amber Stoner (Expense)-\$193.47; TK Elevator Corporation (Maint)-\$4631.52; United States Postal Service (Box Fee)-\$100.00; USDA, APHIS, Wildlife Services (Dues)-\$1798.28; Viaero Wireless (Phones)-\$38.84; Web Co Clk of Dist Court (Fees)-\$35.00; WJE Consulting LLC (Dues)-\$1095.00. **ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:** Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$2704.82; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$65.43; Village of Bladen (Utility)-\$59.61; Blue Cross/Blue Shield (Premium)-\$10,330.10; Century Lumber Center)-\$7.52; Cooperative Producers, Inc (Fuel)-\$1797.01; Country Corner (Fuel)-\$58.09; S.S. (Fica)-\$3034.16; Village of Guide Rock (Utility)-\$82.30; Island Supply Welding Co (Misc Expense)-\$8.00; J&A Auto Supply)-\$396.16; Jim's OK Tires (Repairs/Supply)-\$794.00; Madison National Life Ins Co, Inc (Life)-\$4.10; NAPA Auto Parts (Supply)-\$36.00; Nebraska Machinery Company (Repairs/Supply)-\$734.38; Olson Enterprises LLC (Supply/Fuel)-\$11,217.96; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$141.47; Charles Stokes (Supply)-\$1500.00; Timm's Service (Repairs/Supply/Fuel)-\$5090.98. **ROAD/BRIDGE CONST FUND:** Speece-Lewis Engineers (Culvert Project)-\$2236.92. **MODERN RECORDS FUND:** Mips Inc (Support)-\$138.00. **SELF-INSURED DENTAL FUND:** Minden Dental Clinic (Dental)-\$167.00; Platte Valley Endodontic (Dental)-\$880.00; Self-Insured Dental Fund (Dental)-\$3856.00; Webster County Dental Clinic (Dental)-\$1072.45. **HOSPITAL BOND FUND:** Union Bank & Trust Co (Principal/Interest)-\$161,679.56. **BRIDGE BOND FUND:** Union Bank & Trust Co (Interest)-\$10,916.25. **BLADEN HIGHWAY NORTH PROJECT FUND:** Union Bank & Trust Co (Interest)-\$7615.50.

NOXIOUS WEED FUND: Ameritas Life Ins Corp (Health)-\$238.19; Cooperative Producers, Inc (Fuel)-\$102.88; S.S. (Fica)-\$269.96; Madison National Life Ins Co, Inc (Life)-\$3.15. **5502 RC AMBULANCE SERVICE #1 FUND:** Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$26.49; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc (Supply)-\$101.00; Olson Enterprises LLC (Fuel)-\$279.78. **5503 BH AMBULANCE SERVICE #2 FUND:** Village of Campbell (911 Rent)-\$210.00; Cooperative Producers, Inc (Fuel)-\$116.00; Pavelka Truck & Trailer Repair (Repairs)-\$2593.75; Ron's Pharmacy (Supply)-\$57.18.

Being no further business, Chairman TJ Vance adjourned the meeting at 10:20am. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 2nd, 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 19th day of October, 2021
Webster County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: Abbey Harig
Webster County Deputy Clerk