

## WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, September 20th, 2022 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, TJ Vance gave notice of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act Laws. Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Gilbert to pay claims and payroll for the September 20th, 2022 meeting. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried. Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Karr to approve the minutes of the September 6th, 2022 meeting. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 8:35am, Paul Stoner met with the Board. Usual work of repairing equipment, graveling and grading roads is keeping the road crews busy. They also discussed CDL licensing for road employees.

At 9:15 am, the Board reviewed the Certificate of Cost Allocation Plan for District Court and motion was made by Karr, seconded by Shipman to approve and sign the Document. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

Notice of Award to Topkote, Inc. for Showboat Road Chip Seal Project was presented and signed by Chairman TJ Vance. This had been approved at previous meeting.

No report for HVAC System.

At 9:20am, Noxious Weed Superintendent Brian Pedersen discussed Roadside spraying with the Board. He informed them, he was already over budget on spraying and would need more to get him by until next July. The Board felt he was doing a good job controlling things and assured him they will take additional expense out of Roads if needed.

At 9:45am, Co Attorney, Patrick Calkins discussed with the Board about authorizing Chairman TJ Vance to be able to sign all documents pertaining to the Bladen Highway Project and Closing Statement. Motion was made by Karr, second by Ratzlaff. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 10:00am, the Board discussed Lutz & Assoc Budget Preparation. They had received other bids for this and decided to meet with them and make a decision at a later date.

At 10:10am, Clerk Louise Petsch is requesting the Board to add Katie Ord as a signer for official documents pertaining to the Bank and business of the County. Motion was made by Karr, seconded by Ratzlaff to approve Katie Ord be added to the signature cards at South Central State Bank. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 10:20am, Motion was made by Shipman, second by Ratzlaff to transfer \$195,000.00 from the General Fund to the Road/Bridge Fund. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried. Resolution 36-2022 was approved.

Deputy Clerk Abbey Harig (not on the agenda) met with the Board on Passports. Beginning January 1, 2023, the Clerk's Office will no longer do passports.

Total wages - \$158,986.78. **GENERAL FUND:** Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$7795.29; Blue Cross/Blue Shield (Premium)-\$32,968.18; Blue Hill Leader (Publish/Subsc)-\$206.15; Busch Construction (Mow Cemeteries)-\$472.50; Business World Prod/Hastings (Supply)-\$3.20; Cooperative Producers, Inc (Fuel)-\$2998.08; Culligan of Hastings (Water)-\$54.45; DAS State Accounting/Central Finance (Fees)-\$132.64; S.S. (Fica)-\$8299.94; First Concord Benefits (Buydown)-\$500.00; First Concord Benefits Group (Fees)-\$50.00; First Concord Benefits Group (Fees)-\$311.55; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$1457.34; Hamilton Information Systems, Inc (Support)-\$1227.00; Hometown Market (Supply)-\$151.85; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$1117.70; Kearney County Clerk (Budget Shares)-\$12,562.55; Kenny's Hardware and Home Center (Supply)-\$3.49; L-Tron (Supply)-\$256.03; Lutz (Budget)-\$5000.00; Mid-American Benefits, LLC (COBRA)-\$61.50; NACO (Registration)-\$40.00; Nebraska Labor Law Poster Service (Supply)-\$109.50; Nebraska Tech & Telecom, Inc (Phones)-\$55.14; Norfolk Lodge & Suites (Lodging)-\$547.45; Nuckolls County Sheriff's Dept (Fees)-\$56.80; Self-Insured Dental Fund (Premium)-\$2915.00; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$24.53; Superior Publishing Company Inc (Supply)-\$179.53; Theobald Law Office (Counsel)-\$1710.00; Ken Vanwey (Mow)-\$1040.00; Viaero Wireless (Phones)-\$19.16; Web Co Clk of Dist Court (Fees)-\$36.00; Webster County Court (Fees)-\$36.00; Webster County Treasurer (Transfer)-\$195,000.00. **ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:** Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$2963.77; B's Enterprises, Inc (Grader Blades)-\$725.00; Village of Bladen (Utility)-\$59.66; Century Lumber Center (Supply)-\$79.33; Cooperative Producers, Inc (Fuel/Repairs)-\$4297.51; Country Corner (Fuel)-\$78.68; S.S. (Fica)-\$3322.69; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$50.23; Linda Grummert (Prior Service)-\$57.00; Village of Guide Rock (Utility)-\$108.56; Hometown Leasing (Lease)-\$6800.00; Hometown Market (Supply)-\$17.28; J&A Auto Supply (Supply)-\$705.24; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$368.56; Kenny's Hardware and Home Center (Supply)-\$87.44; Nebraska Peterbilt (Repairs)-\$26.83; Nebraska Machinery Company (Repairs)-\$4966.39; Olson Enterprises LLC (Fuel/Repairs)-\$17,467.29; South

Central Bobcat, Hastings NE (Lease)-\$3500.00; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$135.63; Timm's Service (Fuel)-\$5521.93; Webster County Hospital (Supply)-\$47.00; Western Pathology Consultants (Supply)-\$32.00. SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT FUNDRAISING FUND: Axon Enterprise Inc (Supply)-\$2983.74. COUNTY MEDICAL/RELIEF FUND: Adams County Dist Court (Misc)-\$197.78. COUNTY BUILDING REMODELING FUND: Davis Design (Contract/Services)-\$9440.00. BLADEN HIGHWAY NORTH PROJECT FUND: Charter Title & Escrow Services Inc (Misc)-\$57,245.47; Chad Timm (Misc)-\$2000.00. NOXIOUS WEED FUND: Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$246.38; Cooperative Producers, Inc (Fuel/Repairs)-\$1429.57; S.S. (Fica)-\$279.23; J&A Auto Supply (Supply)-\$20.99. RC AMBULANCE SERVICE #1 FUND: Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$49.32; Olson Enterprises LLC (Fuel)-\$262.26; Platte Valley Communications (Supply)-\$51.00. BH AMBULANCE SERVICE #2 FUND: Bound Tree Medical LLC (Supply)-\$88.07; Cooperative Producers Inc (Fuel)-\$301.76; Gene Horne (Expense)-\$25.00; Platte Valley Communications (Supply)-\$82.45.

Being no further business, Chairman TJ Vance adjourned the meeting at 10:45am. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 4th, 2022 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](http://www.co.webster.ne.us).

Dated this 20th day of September, 2022  
Webster County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: Louise Petsch  
Webster County Clerk