

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, June 20, 2023 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), TJ Vance (District Three), Tim Gilbert (District Four) and Gary Ratzlaff (District Five). Chairman Vance gave notice of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act Laws. Motion was made by Gilbert, seconded by Ratzlaff to approve the minutes of the June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried. Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Karr to approve claims. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 8:35am Road Superintendent, Paul Stoner met with the board. Paul gave updates on equipment, upcoming and current projects. Paul also discussed a few projects he is budgeting for in the 2023/2024 budget.

At 9:00am, Gravel bids for 2023/2024 were received and opened by Chairman TJ Vance. One bid was received, from Bladen Sand & Gravel. The board reviewed and discussed this bid. A motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Ratzlaff to accept Bladen Sand & Gravel's bid. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 9:10am, Commissioner, Gary Ratzlaff shared information pertaining to the veteran's service committee. An update on the HVAC fence was discussed. Clerk Abbey Harig shared information from her Clerk workshop pertaining to donating money to non-profits and Treasurer Janet Knehans informed the board of having to adjust fund balances due to a clerical error in the 1150 and 1500.

At 9:15am, Clerk Harig presented the request for a liquor license for the Webster County Fair & Rodeo. Motion was made by Gilbert, seconded by Karr to approve this liquor license. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 9:30am, Dan Rutt with Revive Ministries met with the board. Dan read testimonies from individuals who have went through Revive Ministries program. Classes that are offered were explained to the board and numbers of how many people they have helped in Webster County in the last two years was provided. Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Gilbert to provide the yearly to Revive Ministries. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 9:45am, Clerk Harig presented Resolution 2023-12 transferring budget authority from the Appraiser Fund 617 within the General Fund 100 to the Assessor Fund 605. Motion was made by Karr, seconded by Ratzlaff to approve this. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 10:00am, Assessor Tami Scheuneman met with the board and discussed adding layers to GIS. Tami then informed the board of a survey they are needing done. She spoke with surveyor, Josh Grummert who will be proceeding with this. A motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to go into CBOE. Tami presented tax corrections 202313-202315. Motion was made by Gilbert, seconded by Ratzlaff to approve these tax corrections. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no, absent or abstaining: None. At 11:00am CBOE was recessed.

At 10:30am, Charles Meyers met with the board to discuss the Webster County Senior Citizens Center. A contract was submitted and discussion was had. Discussion was held until Attorney; Patrick Calkins could join the discussion.

At 10:45am, RuAnn Rutt with Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) met with the board. RuAnn shared the benefits of CASA and what this program does for our County and what our money is

put towards. Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Karr to proceed to pay our yearly funding. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 11:00am, Attorney, Patrick Calkins joined the discussion on purchasing the Elm Street Center. After discussion a motion was made by Dan, seconded by Gilbert to purchase the Elm Street Center for \$45,000.00 as prescribed in the purchasing agreement. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

Total Wages - \$151,942.01. **GENERAL FUND:** Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$7279.90; Applied Connective Technologies (Email)-\$89.80; AT&T Mobility (Phones)-\$517.98; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$80.08; Blue Cross/Blue Shield (Premium)-\$34,090.21; Blue Hill Leader (Publish)-\$165.74; Katie Bolte (Expense)-\$99.04; Cooperative Producers, Inc (Fuel)-\$2942.15; Cornhusker Cleaning Supply)-\$105.28; Culligan of Hastings (Water)-\$46.20; DAS State Accounting/Central Finance (Dues)-\$132.64; Duncan, Walker, Schenker & Daake (Counsel)-\$114.00; S.S. (Fica)-\$7620.21; Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$1258.10; First Concord Benefits Group (Fees)-\$40.00; First Concord Benefits Group (Buydown)-\$284.45; Grace's Locksmith Service (Repairs)-\$206.00; Grummert Professional Services, LLC (Survey)-\$4450.00; Abbey Harig (Expense)-\$92.48; Hometown Market (Supply)-\$695.71; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$536.13; Kenny's Hardware and Home Center (Supply)-\$15.78; Janet Knehans (Expense)-\$540.98; Mid-American Benefits, LLC (COBRA)-\$55.50; Mid-Nebraska Individual Services (Misc)-\$3395.00; Midland Area Agency on Aging (Handibus)-\$1340.00; NACO (Registration)-\$25.00; NE Assn of Co Ext Boards (Dues)-\$100.00; Nebr County Attys Association (Dues)-\$515.00; Nebraska Tech & Telecom, Inc (Phones)-\$52.95; Alexa Pedersen (Expense)-\$26.20; Red Cloud Chief (Subscription)-\$34.50; Sam's Club (Supply)-\$107.17; Self-Insured Dental Fund (Premium)-\$2881.00; Skalka & Baack Law Firm (Counsel)-\$1244.50; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$24.80; Sullivan Shoemaker P.C. L.L.O. (Counsel)-\$376.08; Theobald Law Office (Counsel)-\$4417.50; Thompson Reuters (Subscription)-\$182.96; Viaero Wireless (Phones)-\$19.09; Vision Service Plan (COBRA)-\$17.09; Webster County Court (Fees)-\$104.00. **ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:** ACE/Eaton Metals (Culverts)-\$4822.10; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$3005.34; Nevin Arterburn (Expense)-\$150.00; Auto Glass Experts LLC (Repairs)-\$350.00; B's Enterprises, Inc (Grader Blades)-\$7740.00; Barco Municipal Products, Inc (Supply)-\$3591.50; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$94.25; Bladen Sand & Gravel, Inc (Supply)-\$33,355.61; Village of Bladen (Utility)-\$59.76; C&D Service Center (Supply)-\$118.30; Cooperative Producers Inc (Fuel/Supply)-\$4150.18; Country Corner (Fuel)-\$79.61; DMC Wear Parts LLC (Grader Blades)-\$7055.88; S.S. (Fica)-\$3382.66; Village of Guide Rock (Utility)-\$92.40; Hastings Outdoor Power LLC (Repairs)-\$98.00; Island Supply Welding Company (Supply)-\$54.65; J&A Auto Supply (Supply)-\$106.26; Kenny's Hardware and Home Center (Supply)-\$130.97; Landmark Implement (Mowers)-\$24,800.00; Matt Friend Truck Equip, Inc (Repairs)-\$569.57; NAPA Auto Parts (Supply)-\$139.67; Nebraska Machinery Company (Supply)-\$11,554.25; Oak Creek Engineering, LLC (Misc)-\$4283.70; Olson Enterprises LLC (Repairs)-\$11,522.10; Power Plan, Dept 77871 (Supply)-\$1094.04; Ben Sharp (Repairs)-\$1186.65; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$137.89; Timm's Service (Fuel/Repairs)-\$3051.19. **ROAD/BRIDGE CONST FUND:** Oak Creed Engineering, LLC (Misc)-\$8100.00; Speece-Lewis Engineers (Misc)-\$11,951.24. **SELF-INSURED DENTAL FUND:** Sean M Daly, D.D.S. (Dental)-\$169.60; Hastings Family Dental 1, LLC (Dental)-\$685.80; Webster County Dental Clinic (Dental)-\$581.60; Minden Dental Clinic (Dental)-\$334.00. **LOCAL ASSISTANCE/TRIBAL FUND:** C&D Service Center (Misc)-\$520.13. **NOXIOUS WEED FUND:** Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$246.38; Cooperative Producers Inc (Fuel)-\$587.50; S.S. (Fica)-\$279.23; Brian Pedersen (Expense)-\$72.70. **RC AMBULANCE SERVICE #1 FUND:** Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc (Supply)-\$58.80; Metro-Billing Services (Billing)-

\$288.00; Olson Enterprises LLC (Fuel)-\$196.88; Red Cloud EMTs (Supply )-\$85.90. BH AMBULANCE SERVICE #2 FUND: Cooperative Producers Inc (Fuel)-\$217.72.

Being no further business, Chairman TJ Vance adjourned the meeting at 11:10am. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 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 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023  
Webster County Board of Commissioners

Abbey Harig  
Webster County Clerk