WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Webster County Board of Commissioners held a Special Meeting at 9:00am on Friday, August 18, 2023 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) and Tim Gilbert (District Four). Absent: 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.

At 9:05am, The board reviewed Resolution 2023-15 for the levy allocation for year 2023/2024. Nebraska Revised Statute 77-3443 requires the Webster County Board of Commissioners to review and approve or disapprove the tax rate request of all political subdivisions subject to allocation of property tax authority of Webster County. The board reviewed the preliminary requests from Bladen, Blue Hill, Guide Rock and Red Cloud Rural Fire Districts. Motion was made by Karr, seconded by Gilbert to deny the tax rate request of all the political subdivisions. Voting in favor: Vance, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no or abstaining: None. Absent: Ratzlaff. None. Motion carried

The Board then reviewed Resolution 2023-16, allowable increase of restricted funds (1%). A motion as made by Shipman, seconded by Vance to approve this allowable increase of restricted funds and sign Resolution 2023-16. Voting in favor: Vance, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no or abstaining: None. Absent: Ratzlaff. None. Motion carried

The board then reviewed Resolution 2023-17, Authorization/Reauthorization of Petty Cash Funds for Sheriff's Department, County Court and County Museum. A motion was made by Karr, seconded by Gilbert to approve this resolution. Voting in favor: Vance, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no or abstaining: None. Absent: Ratzlaff. None. Motion carried

At 9:45am, Webster County's budget preparer, Caleb Johnson and the Board met with every department head to review budgets. Commissioner Ratzlaff attended the meeting at 11:45am. The board recessed for lunch from 12:00pm-1:00pm.

At 1:00pm, the board continued meeting with department heads and reviewing the 2023/2024 budget.

County Board will meet again on Tuesday, September 5th, 2023 for their regular meeting. The Special Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm by Chairman Vance.

Dated this 18th day of August, 2023 Webster County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: Abbey Harig Webster County Clerk