

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, 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), Tim Gilbert (District Four) and Gary Ratzlaff (District Five). The Board stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Vice Chairman, Gary Ratzlaff gave notice of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act Laws. Motion was made by Karr, seconded by Gilbert to approve minutes of the July 2, 2024 meeting. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting, nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion was made by Karr, seconded by Gilbert to pay claims and payroll for the July 23, 2024 meeting. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. A motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Gilbert to pay County Commissioner Ratzlaff's claim. Voting in favor: Gilbert Karr and Shipman. Voting nay or absent: None. Abstaining: Ratzlaff.

At 8:35am, Road Superintendent, Paul Stoner met with the board. Paul let the board know they have a State bridge audit going on and a shop audit through NIRMA coming up. He also gave updates on upcoming projects and discussion was had on advertising for help. Discussion was also had on machinery.

At 9:00am, County Treasurer, Janet Knehans met with the board to present a tax exemption form 457 for Holy Trinity Church. A motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to approve this. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting, nay, absent or abstaining: None. Janet then presented her semi annual statement and County Tax Sales were discussed. There are seven pieces of property that are on the tax sale. The Commissioners reviewed these, a motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to issue the County Tax Sale Certificates on these properties. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting, nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 9:15am, Luke Bonkiewicz with NACO met with the board to give NACO updates.

At 9:45am, Janet met with the board again to present the annual bridge and street buyback form for the board to review and sign.

At 9:50am, Cornerstone Bank met with the board. They gave a presentation entailing everything they could offer Webster County.

At 10:30am, County Clerk, Abbey Harig met with the board to present a letter of support for Trailblazer RC&D. After reviewing the board signed this. She then presented a letter of engagement for the Nebraska State Auditors Office. A motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to sign this. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting, nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 10:40am, South Central State Bank met with the board. They also gave a presentation entailing everything they could offer Webster County.

Total Wages - \$163,490.51. GENERAL FUND: Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$8202.88; Applied Connective Technologies (Email)-\$99.50; AT&T Mobility (Phones)-\$518.58; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$128.01; Blue Cross/Blue Shield (Premium)-\$40,719.46; Blue Hill Leader (Publish)-\$421.83; Business World Prod (Supply)-\$35.22; CINTAS (Supply)-\$112.30; COMDATA Universal Mastercard (Fuel)-\$94.30; Cooperative Producers Inc (Fuel)-\$30.74; Culligan of Hastings (Water)-\$54.45; DAS State Accounting/Central Finance (Fees)-\$242.00; S.S. (Fica)-\$8394.40; Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$861.22; First Concord Benefits (Buydown)-\$73.24; First Concord Benefits Group (Fees)-\$45.00; First Concord Benefits Group (Fees)-\$305.35; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$1589.09; Hamilton Information Systems, Inc (Services)-\$1208.75; Hometown Market (Supply)-\$420.31; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$652.63; JDS (Software)-\$3000.00; Kenny's Hardware and Home Center (Supply)-\$10.29; Midland Area Agency on Aging (Handibus)-\$1049.00; NENA (Training)-\$1196.00; Physicians Laboratory, PC (Fees)-\$375.00; Platte Valley Comm of Hastings (Services)-\$26.25; Quadient Finance USA, Inc (Postage)-\$2000.00; Quadient Leasing USA, Inc (Lease)-\$303.00; Gary Ratzlaff (Expense)-\$93.00; Red Cloud Chief (Publish)-\$421.55; Region 3 Behavioral Health Services (Funding)-\$2206.91; Rod's

Construction (Repairs)-\$2500.00; Sam's Club (Supply)-\$97.86; Self-Insured Dental Fund (Premium)-\$2829.00; Skalka & Baack Law Firm (Counsel)-\$92.00; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$24.80; St of Nebr Dept Correctional Srvs (Fees)-\$2800.85; Sullivan Shoemaker PC LLO (Counsel)-\$172.50; Theobal Law Office (Counsel)-\$2990.50; Thomson Reuters-West (Subscription)-\$192.11; TK Elevator Corporation (Contract)-\$6221.92; Viaero Wireless (Phones)-\$9.35; Village Pharmacy (Supply)-\$32.05. ROAD/BRIDGE FUND: Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$3102.13; Barton Pipe & Rod (Repairs)-\$85.00; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$108.76; Bladen Sand & Gravel, Inc (Supply)-\$80,085.73; Village of Bladen (Utility)-\$59.53; Blue Hill Leader (Publish)-\$16.10; CENCON of Kansas Utility Contractors (Supply)-\$1352.59; Cooperative Producers, Inc (Fuel/Repairs)-\$953.67; S.S. (Fica)-\$3494.69; Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$1.00; Glenwood Telecommunications (Phones)-\$110.11; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$50.20; Village of Guide Rock (Utility)-\$137.65; Island Supply Welding Company (Supply)-\$585.02; J&A Auto Supply (Supply)-\$195.63; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$20.00; Jim's OK Tires (Repairs)-\$1857.54; Kenny's Hardware and Home Center (Supply)-\$47.76; Kully Pipe & Steel Supply (Supply)-\$257.96; NAPA Auto Parts (Supply)-\$6.00; NE Machinery Company (Repairs)-\$1356.32; Olson Enterprises LLC (Fuel)-\$12,583.49; Power Plan, Dept 77871 (Repairs)-\$4343.17; Red Cloud Chief (Publish)-\$78.18; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$141.05; Superior Fire Extinguisher Co (Inspection)-\$1348.00; Timm's Service (Fuel)-\$305.48. ROAD/BRIDGE CONST FUND: Bladen Sand & Gravel, Inc (Supply)-\$271.91. SELF-INSURED DENTAL FUND: Kory L Bumgardner DDS (Dental)-\$455.40; Sean M Daly, DDS (Dental)-\$240.00; Webster County Dental Clinic (Dental)-\$276.40; Minden Dental Clinic (Dental)-\$1300.00; Pediatric Dental Specialists (Dental)-\$50.00. COUNTY MEDICAL/RELIEF FUND: NE Health & Human Services System (Beatrice/Norfolk)-\$180.00. COUNTY BUILDING REMODELING FUND: Fariss Construction (Contract)-\$54,000.00. NOXIOUS WEED FUND: Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$270.62; Cooperative Producers, Inc (Fuel)-\$25.70; S.S. (Fica)-\$276.10. RC AMBULANCE SERVICE #1 FUND: Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$43.12; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$49.30; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc (Supply)-\$80.25; Medicare Part B (Misc)-\$1434.21; Metro-Billing Services (Services)-\$288.00; Olson Enterprises LLC (Fuel)-\$336.35. BH AMBULANCE SERVICE #2 FUND: Cooperative Produces, Inc (Fuel)-\$174.56; Metro-Billing Services (Services)-\$288.00; Platte Valley Communications (Radios)-\$4376.05.

Being no further business, Vice Chairman Gary Ratzlaff adjourned the meeting at 11:35am. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024 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 23 day of July, 2024  
Webster County Board of Commissioners

Abbey Harig  
Webster County Clerk