

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, August 6, 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. 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 16, 2024 meeting. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion was made by Gilbert, seconded by Karr to pay claims and payroll for the August 6, 2024 meeting. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 8:35am, Road Superintendent, Paul Stoner met with the board. The NIRMA safety inspector came to all the county shops. There are a few projects that will need to be completed within the next three months. Paul let the board know he has a meeting this week with CAT to discuss options for a rebuild on maintainers. Paul let the board know the work on the Inavale shop has been completed and gave updates on upcoming projects.

At 9:00am, County Clerk Abbey Harig presented Resolution 2024-15 Signing of the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance. The board reviewed this and a motion was then made by Gilbert, seconded by Shipman to sign this. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 9:15am, Abbey then presented the 2024 inventories. The board reviewed these. A motion was made by Karr, seconded by Gilbert to approve these. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 9:10am, The board reviewed the Imprest Account, fund balances and the District Court report.

At 9:25am, Treasurer, Janet Knehans met with the board to inform them there was an overpayment in the Inheritance Fund and there will be a small refund.

At 9:35am, Discussion was held on the potential of one of the counties entities having a Joint Public Hearing (aka the Pink Postcard Meeting). The board decided to set a date for this hearing so all entities can plan ahead. That date will be September 18, 2024. Details will be planned closer to this date.

At 9:45am, Assessor, Tami Scheuneman met with the board. A motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Ratzlaff to go into CBOE. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Tami then presented the cemetery report and the Reports & Opinions from the State. The board reviewed this. A motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to go out of CBOE. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 9:55am, Abbey presented a NIRMA letter for inspection and District 10 Probation's budget proposal for the board to review. Next, she presented a letter of agreement for Region 3. After review, a motion was made by Karr, seconded by Gilbert to approve this.

Lastly, Resolution 16-2024 was presented, closing the Noxious Weed Fund – 5400 and transferring all funds to the General Fund – 0100. A motion was made by Karr, seconded by Shipman to approve this. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 10:00am, Janet met with the board again to discuss banking proposals. No changes in banking will be made at this time. Janet then discussed CD's.

At 10:40am, Ruann Root with CASA and Amy Stevens with STARS met with the board to request annual funding. Ruann and Amy shared success stories and requested the board continue to invest in their programs. Since this was not on the agenda, it will be voted on at the next meeting.

At 11:00am, Noxious Weed Superintendent, Brian Pedersen met with the board to give a Twin Valley update. They are working on a NET grant to submit for next year. Brian also let the board know that they have enough chemical to spray the Republican River this year.

At 11:10am: Abbey met with the board to discuss a Supplemental Life policy for the employees. Total Wages - \$13,821.03. **GENERAL FUND:** Ameritas Life Ins Co (Health)-\$409.22; Applied Connective Technologies (Email)-\$99.50; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$131.14; Blue Hill Leader (Publish)-\$70.20; Katie Bolte (Expense)-\$160.80; Calkins Law Office (Contract)-\$250.00; Patrick Calkins (Expense)-\$50.00; Culligan of Hastings (Water)-\$29.70; CVSOAN (Registration)-\$60.00; DAS State Accounting/Central Finance (Dues)-\$537.60; Duncan, Walker, Schenker & Daake (Counsel)-\$364.32; EFTPS (S.S./Fica)-\$558.00; Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$369.13; First Concord Bank Omaha (Supply)-\$920.27; Hamilton Information Systems, Inc (Services)-\$739.90; J&A Auto Supply (Supply)-\$33.67; Carla Jameson (Expense)-\$45.22; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$2407.54; Kearney Powersports (UTV)-\$18,268.65; Kenny's Hardware and Home Center (Supply)-\$18.33; Madison National Life Ins Co, Inc (Life)-\$393.53; Midland Area Agency on Aging (Handibus)-\$2098.00; Mips Inc (Dues)-\$2517.53; NE Co Atty Assoc (Dues)-\$275.00; NE State Bar Assoc (Dues)-\$50.00; Lynn Peavy Company (Supply)-\$68.21; Alexa Pedersen (Expense)-\$134.00; Promobile Appliance Repair (Repairs)-\$100.00; Quadiant Finance USA, Inc (Postage)-\$1000.00; City of Red Cloud (Utility)-\$1827.96; Tami Scheuneman (Expense)-\$96.48; St of NE Dept Correctional Services (Housing)-\$1108.15; The Cornhusker (Lodging)-\$363.00; United States Treasury (Fees)-\$727.23; Village Pharmacy (Supply)-\$32.05; Daniel Vodicka (Contract)-\$741.54; Web Co Clk of Dist Court (Fees)-\$38.00; Web Co Sheriff-Petty Cash (Petty Cash)-\$152.02; Williams Exterminating, Inc (Pest Control)-\$88.00; Woodward's Disposal Service (Utility)-\$30.00. **ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:** Ace/Eaton Metals (Supply)-\$13,369.60; Ameritas Life Ins Co (Health)-\$16.30; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$61.10; Bladen Sand & Gravel, Inc (Supply)-\$270.54; City of Blue Hill (Utility)-\$112.97; Country Corner (Fuel)-\$953.52; EFTPS (SS/Fica)-\$18.47; First National Bank Omaha (Supply)-\$21.40; Glenwood Telecommunications (Phones)-\$108.86; Jim's OK Tires (Repairs)-\$767.50; LRNRD Rural Water Project (Utility)-\$23.20; Mips Inc (Dues)-\$112.25; Nebraska Machinery Company (Repairs)-\$20,533.03; Power Plan, Dept 77871 (Supply)-\$240.02; R&M Disposal LLC (Utility)-\$90.00; Windstream (Phones)-\$81.39. **ROAD/BRIDGE CONST FUND:** Ace/Eaton Metals (Supply)-\$18,748.00. **VISTOR PROMOTION FUND:** Willa Cather Foundation (Grant)-\$1650.00. **MODERN RECORDS FUND:** Mips Inc (Dues)-\$144.77. **SELF-INSURED DENTAL FUND:** Alma Family Dentistry (Dental)-\$206.80; Sean M Daly, DDS (Dental)-\$200.00; Mark Driscoll (Dental)-\$220.20; RC Wilson & SA Wilson DDS, PC (Dental)-\$273.00. **INHERITACE TAX FUND:** Mr Roger Schuett PR (Refund)-\$25.93. **COUNTY BUILDING REMODELING FUND:** Farris Construction (Contract)-\$147,890.30. **RC AMBULANCE SERVICE #1 FUND:** Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$42.93; EFTPS (SS/Fica)-\$377.71; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc (Supply)-\$44.73; Red Cloud EMT's (Supply)-\$1046.21. **BH AMBULANCE SERVICE #2 FUND:** Bound Tree Medical LLC (Supply)-\$234.85; EFTPS (SS/Fica)-\$103.14.

Being no further business, Vice Chairman Gary Ratzlaff adjourned the meeting at 11:30am. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 20, 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.

Dated this 6 day of August, 2024
Webster County Board of Commissioners

Abbey Harig
Webster County Clerk