WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Webster County Board of Commissioners held a Special Meeting at 9:00am on Friday, August 16, 2024 at the Courthouse in Red Cloud. 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.

At 9:05am, The board reviewed Resolution 2024-17 for the levy allocation for year 2024/2025. 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 Shipman, seconded by Karr to deny the tax rate request of all the political subdivisions. Voting in favor: Gilbert, Karr, Ratzlaff and Shipman. Voting no, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

The Board then reviewed Resolution 2024-18, allowable increase of restricted funds (1%). A motion as made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Shipman to approve this allowable increase of restricted funds and sign Resolution 2024-18. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting no, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

The board then reviewed Resolution 2024-19, 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: Gilbert, Ratzlaff, Karr and Shipman. Voting no, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried

At 9:20am, Webster County's budget preparer, Caleb Johnson and the Board met with every department head to review budgets. The board recessed for lunch from 12:00pm-1:00pm.

At 1:00pm, the board continued meeting with department heads and reviewing the 2024/2025 budget.

County Board will meet again on Tuesday, August 20, 2024 for their regular meeting. The Special Meeting adjourned at 4:00pm by Chairman Ratzlaff.

Dated this 16th day of August, 2024 Webster County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: Abbey Harig
Webster County Clerk