

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, August 20, 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 Shipman to approve minutes of the August 6, 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 20, 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. Paul gave updates on a few projects and cutting trees throughout the county. Discussion was also had on motorgrader rebuild.

At 9:15am, Dayton Maul with Oak Creek Engineering met with the board to open bids for the 2024 Structure Replacements. Chairman Ratzlaff opened bids for Bid Package 'A,' Structure No. C009132405. Three bids were received. Next, Ratzlaff opened bids for Bid Package 'B.' Three bids were received for this one as well. The board discussed all bids for both projects. A motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to go with Contech on both A and B packages. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 9:35am, County Attorney, Patrick Calkins met with the board to discuss tree trimming in the courtyard. This will be published in the paper to take bids.

At 9:45am, Discussion was held from the previous meeting on CASA and STARS. A motion was made by Gilbert, seconded by Ratzlaff to approve funding for both programs. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 9:50am, County Clerk Abbey Harig met with the board to present the certificate of unpaid claims.

At 10:00am, Discussion was had on Resolution 2024-16 that was presented at the August 6, 2024 meeting. A motion was made by Karr, seconded by Gilbert to rescind the motion to approve Resolution 2024-16. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Clerk Harig then presented Resolution 19-2024 transferring money from the General Fund (100) to Noxious Weed Fund (5400). A motion was made by Karr, seconded by Gilbert to approve this. Voting in favor: Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 10:05am, County Clerk Magistrate, Jolene Duffy met with the board to discuss issues with the controlling of the heating and cooling units in the courthouse. The commissioners are going to allow Energized Electric control of the system as well.

Total Wages - \$161,537.46. **GENERAL FUND:** Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$8065.20; Armando's Construction (Repairs)-\$2500.00; AT&T Mobility (Phones)-\$521.43; Blue Cross/Blue Shield (Premium)-\$41,665.56; Blue Hill Leader (Publish)-\$291.57; Business World Prod (Supply)-\$77.59; CPI (Fuel)-\$4094.91; Cornhusker Cleaning Supply (Supply)-\$20.27; Culligan of Hastings (Water)-\$62.70; DAS State Accounting/Central Finance (Fees)-\$242.00; EFTPS (SS/Fica)-\$8238.35; Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$661.79; First Concord Benefits (Buydown)-\$479.96; First Concord Benefits Group (Fees)-\$45.00; First Concord Benefits Group (Fees)-\$303.80; Galls, LLC (Supply)-\$66.95; Hamilton Information Systems, Inc (Services)-\$230.00; Hometown Market (Supply)-\$728.21; Jared's Auto Experts (Repairs)-\$113.70; Kearney County Clerk (DC Budget Shares)-\$10,109.68; Midland Area Agency on Aging (Handibus)-\$1849.00; Mips Inc (Supply)-\$75.00; Physicians Laboratory, PC (Fees)-\$3050.00; PIP Marketing Signs Print (Supply)-\$46.13; Red Cloud Chief (Publish)-\$545.05; Russell County Sheriff's Office (Fees)-\$35.00; Self-Insured Dental Fund (Premium)-\$2729.00; Skalka & Baack Law Firm (Counsel)-\$69.00; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$24.80; Sunset Law Enforcement (Training)-\$1685.15; Theobald Law Office (Counsel)-\$5969.02; Viaero Wireless (Phones)-\$18.50; Web Co Clk of Dist Court (Fees)-\$178.00; Webster County Court (Fees)-\$77.00; Webster County Treasurer (Transfer)-\$41,597.79. **ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:**

Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$3107.98; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$50.31; Village of Bladen (Utility)-\$59.53; C&D Service Center (Repairs)-\$2130.61; Century Lumber Center (Supply)-\$72.44; CPI (Fuel/Repairs)-\$1969.54; Country Corner (Fuel)-\$266.91; Dakota Fluid Power, Inc (Repairs)-\$294.18; EFTPS (SS/Fica)-\$3492.60; Village of Guide Rock (Utility)-\$137.65; J&A Auto Supply (Supply)-\$196.80; Kenny's Hardware and Home Center (Supply)-\$86.96; NAPA Auto Parts (Supply)-\$59.56; Nebraska Machinery Company (Supply)-\$1555.38; Oak Creek Engineering, LLC (Repairs)-\$9335.08; Olson Enterprises LLC (Fuel)-\$16,749.21; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$160.26; Timm's Service (Fuel)-\$344.20; Webster County Hospital (Supply)-\$44.00; Western Pathology Consultants (Supply)-\$32.00. ROAD/BRIDGE CONST FUND: Oak Creek Engineering, LLC (Road Project)-\$1175.00. SELF-INSURED DENTAL FUND: Webster County Dental Clinic (Dental)-\$151.00; Pediatric Dental Specialists (Dental)-\$1462.40; RC Wilson & SA Wilson DDS, PC (Dental)-\$204.00. COUNTY MEDICAL/RELIEF FUND: NE Health & Human Services System (Beatrice/Norfolk)-\$180.00. NOXIOUS WEED FUND: Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$270.62; C&D Service Center (Supply)-\$75.15; CPI (Fuel)-\$897.60; EFTPS (SS/Fica)-\$276.10; City of Red Cloud (Utility)-\$213.00. RC AMBULANCE SERVICE #1 FUND: Metro-Billing Services (Billing)-\$96.00; Olson Enterprises LLC (Fuel)-\$178.54. BH AMBULANCE SERVICE #2 FUND: CPI (Fuel)-\$161.90; Metro-Billing Services (Billing)-\$96.00.

Being no further business, Vice Chairman Gary Ratzlaff adjourned the meeting at 10:30am. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 3, 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 20 day of August, 2024
Webster County Board of Commissioners

Abbey Harig
Webster County Clerk