

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, for their regular Business Meeting at the Courthouse in Red Cloud, Nebraska. The Board stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman, Dan Shipman gave notice of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act Laws. The following Board Members were present for roll call: Dan Shipman (District One), Trevor Karr (District Two), Jeff Mans (District Three), Tim Gilbert (District Four) and Gary Ratzlaff (District Five). Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Karr to approve minutes of the October 21, 2025, meeting. Voting in favor: Shipman, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Mans and Karr. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Gilbert to pay claims and payroll for the November 4, 2025, meeting. Voting in favor: Shipman, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Mans and Karr. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 8:35am, Road Superintendent, Paul Stoner met with the board. Paul gave an update on the road crew hauling shale, once completed they will work on bringing dirt to the courtyard. Discussion was had on gravel and a few projects that need completed. Paul also gave equipment updates, including a broken window in a maintainer from a rock that will need replaced. Paul also let the board know the maintainer that was rebuilt was delivered and is doing great.

8:55am, the board reviewed the financial report, Imprest Account and District Court report. Dan also called Energized Electric to check on a quote for lighting for inside the courthouse.

9:15am, County Clerk, Abbey Harig met with the board to discuss flu shots and Health Fair. After discussion, a motion was made by Karr, seconded by Ratzlaff to approve the county paying for flu shots and health fair for county employees. Voting in favor: Shipman, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Mans and Karr. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

Next, Abbey presented a GWorks 911 invoice to the board. Discussion was had with the Assessor, Tami Schueneman and Sheriff, Troy Schmitz on what budget this should be taken out of and if we still even need it. Troy will make a phone call to see if the new 911 system will provide the same services. This will be tabled to the next meeting.

Next, Abbey presented a Memorandum of Understanding between the Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs. After review and discussion, a motion was made by Karr, seconded by Mans to approve this. Voting in favor: Shipman, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Mans and Karr. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

Abbey then presented three transfer resolutions. **Resolution 18-2025** to transfer \$249,583.71 from County General Fund (#100) to the County Road/Bridge Fund (#300) as stated in the 2025-2026 Webster County Budget. **Resolution 19-2025** to transfer \$38,037.30 from County General Fund (#100) to the County Road/Bridge Construction Fund (#800) as stated in the 2025-2026 Webster County Budget. And **Resolution 20-2025** to transfer \$50,000.00 from County General Fund (#100) to the E911 Fund (#2910) as stated in the 2025-2026 Webster County Budget. A motion was made by Karr, seconded by Mans approve all three resolutions. Voting in favor: Shipman, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Mans and Karr. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

Lastly, Abbey presented **Resolution 21-2025** Signing of the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent and Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent. After Reviewing a motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Karr to approve both documents. Voting in favor: Shipman, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Mans and Karr. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 9:30am, Treasurer, Janet Knehans presented distress warrants to the board. These warrants were given to Sheriff Troy Schmitz on November 3rd. Also presented during this time was a letter from Troy certifying that he received these distress warrants.

At 9:25am, The board reviewed a wage spreadsheet for the officials. After discussion, it was decided to wait until after the NACO meeting in December where the Salary Guidelines will be discussed.

Total Wages - \$7,821.71

GENERAL FUND: Advanced Family Healthcare (Inmate)-\$110.80; Alexa Pedersen (Mileage)-\$185.64; Ameritas Life Ins Co (Health)-\$114.21; Asbestos Survey Svcs, LLC (Inspection)-\$1,840.80; AT&T Mobility

(Phones)-\$529.04; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$115.74; Brian Pedersen (Expense)-\$113.66; Business World Products (Supply)-\$125.91; Cintas (Supply)-\$229.64; City of Red Cloud (Utility)-\$1,729.82; Culligan of Hastings (Water)-\$46.20; EFTPS (SS/FICA)-\$168.09; Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$220.76; Energized Electric LLC (Repairs)-\$422.50; First Concord Benefits Group (Buydown)-\$411.08; First National Bank Omaha (Supply)-\$326.04; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$2,320.43; Holiday Inn Kearney (Lodging)-\$269.90; Janet Knehans (Mileage)-\$82.60; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$1,725.38; Katie Bolte (Mileage)-\$359.10; Lindsay Waechter-Mead (Mileage)-\$358.68; Madison National Life Ins Co (Life)-\$369.40; Margaret Meline (Prior Service)-\$42.00; Mips (Pink Postcard)-\$1,858.14; Mips Inc (Supply)-\$45.52; NACO (Registration/Dues)-\$3,349.17; NE Law Enforcement Training Cntr (Training)-\$175.00; Norfolk Lodge & Suites (Lodging)-\$550.00; Patrick Calkins (Expense)-\$50.00; UNL (Registration)-\$50.00; Web Co Clk of Dist Court (Fees)-\$65.00; Web Co Sheriff-Petty Cash Fund (Petty Cash)-\$102.83; Webster County Treasurer (Transfer)-\$50,000.00; Webster County Treasurer (Transfer)-\$249,583.71; Webster County Treasurer (Transfer)-\$38,037.30; Williams Exterminating, Inc (Pest Control)-\$88.00; WJE Consulting LLC (Cost Allocation)-\$406.85; Woodward's Disposal (Shredding)-\$34.50. ROAD/BRIDGE FUND: Ameritas Life Ins Corp (Health)-\$23.29; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$94.12; City of Blue Hill (Utility)-\$113.39; EFTPS (SS/FICA)-\$26.39; First National Bank Omaha (Supply)-\$27.82; Glenwood Telecommunications (Phones)-\$53.04; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$78.60; Island Supply Welding Co (Supply)-\$370.39; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$145.58; Jim's OK Tires (Repairs)-\$5,762.00; John Deere Financial (Repairs)-\$388.72; LRNRD Rural Water Project (Utility)-\$23.20; Nebraska Machinery Co (Supply)-\$905.34; Oak Creek Engineering, LLC (Engineering)-\$5,611.00; Olson Enterprises LLC (Fuel)-\$11,832.48; R&M Disposal LLC (Utility)-\$94.00. ROAD/BRIDGE CONST FUND: Oak Creek Engineering, LLC (Engineering)-\$22,500.00. VISITOR PROMOTION FUND: Webster County Ag Association (Grants)-\$2,500.00. SELF-INSURED DENTAL FUND: Dr Jesse Neal Dental Care (Dental)-\$549.60; Island View Dental (Dental)-\$282.00; Minden Dental Clinic (Dental)-\$494.60; Pediatric Dental Specialists (Dental)-\$209.00; Webster County Dental (Dental)-\$1,934.00. COUNTY/MEDICAL RELIEF FUND: Williams Funeral Home (Co. Burial)-\$1,500.00. WIRELESS 911 FUND: Century Link (Lumen)-\$1,796.63; gWorks (Mapping)-\$200.00. RC AMBULANCE SERVICE #1 FUND: Charles Lewis (Education)-\$306.50; EFTPS (SS/FICA)-\$189.11; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$49.36; Red Cloud EMT's (Education)-\$306.50. BH AMBULANCE SERVICE #2 FUND: EFTPS (SS/FICA)-\$214.75.

Being no further business, Chairman, Dan Shipman adjourned the meeting at 9:55am. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, 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 4 day of November 2025
Webster County Board of Commissioners

Abbey Harig
Webster County Clerk