## CHADRON, NEBRASKA

## March 16, 2011

## **DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners meeting in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:03 A.M. on the 16th day of March, 2011 in the Commissioner's room and published pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Johnson. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners' Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk, Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney, Chris Fankhauser, KCSR, Phillip & Jean Biernacki. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Per LB 898 the Chairman announced the location of posted information concerning the Open Meetings Act. Copies of the Act are available upon request by anyone attending the meeting. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, approving the Agenda, Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Minutes of the March 02, 2011 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Swinney, seconded by Stewart, approving the minutes with the following corrections to wit: \$9,900.00 instead of \$9,000.00 re: basic comprehensive plan; 12" HOPE lines instead of 12' HOPE lines as recorded. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, approving all claims as submitted. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Swinney will visit with Judge Harford re: Juvenile Justice costs. Kerri Rempp joined the meeting in progress. The Clerk presented an agreement between Dawes County and Nebraska Health and Human Services for leased space to house the Health and Human Service Offices. She explained the County is required to provide space for these offices. Phillip Biernacki questioned why the State and City of Chadron don't pay a portion of the costs. Motion by Stewart, seconded by Swinney, directing the Chairman to sign the lease agreement in the amount of \$14,532.00 annually until June 30, 2012. Roll was called, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Public Comment ensued with Chris Fankhauser reporting KCSR in conjunction with the Chadron Ministerial Association and First National Bank of Chadron are raising money for relief efforts in Japan. A prayer vigil will also be conducted Thursday evening beginning at 7:00 P.M. at the Ridgeview Bible Church for those interested in attending. She also informed those present this is severe weather awareness week. Jean Biernacki stated she lives on 19th Street which is located at the end of Centennial Drive. She expressed concern with traffic safety. She explained she has been to the City and they told her to visit with the County. No outlet signs will be posted in the area by the County. The Board recessed at 9:47 A.M. and reconvened at 9:59 A.M. Chief Lordino joined the meeting in progress.

At 10:01 Larry Hankin, Dawes County Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Discussion ensued regarding the Rhodes gravel contract. The contract has expired but will be renewed. Mr. Hankin asked the Board if they wanted to bid a backhoe and semi-tractor. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Swinney questioned contacting local vendors to lease a backhoe. He also suggested Mr. Hankin contact Caterpillar and John Deere to request a demo prior to any bids going out. Mr. Swinney went on to say he feels the Crusher operations are costing the County money. Additionally, there are several gravel piles that need put on county roads. Discussion ensued. Numbers will be run to obtain an estimate of what the Crusher is costing the county vs. hauling gravel. Mr. Hankin reported equipment maintenance is completed in Districts 1 and 3. District 2 is almost done with maintenance. Semi-tractor bids will go out. Mr. Hankin asked about getting a working Foreman for the Roads Department. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Swinney suggested a full-time Roads Secretary dedicated to just the Roads Department would be beneficial. This would allow Mr. Hankin to be out and taking care of roads business. Mr. Hankin reported going with a bridge on Bethel Loop Road instead of a pipe arch would require additional time. Commissioner Swinney will meet with Mr. Hankin to go over the options available for the project and report back to the Board.

At 10:31 A.M. Karl Dailey, Sheriff, met with the Board. Mr. Dailey was invited by Commissioner Swinney to share his opinion on the current sleuth system setup. Mr. Dailey reported when Chief Lordino met with the Board he wasn't invited. He explained what he plans to do. He reported the Sleuth system was acquired in the mid 80's. The system allowed data entry into a global file to be utilized by one or several agencies. Past Chiefs of Police weren't interested in the Sleuth system. When Chief Lordino came he and Sheriff Dailey met to implement the Sleuth system. The Sheriff's Department had access to the system for

one (1) month and it stopped. Excuses were given by Chief Lordino as to why the Sheriff's Department didn't have access. The relationship between the Sheriff's Department and Chief Lordino is non-existent according to Dailey. Mr. Dailey indicated Chief Lordino admitted to lying to him as to why the Sheriff's Department wasn't allowed on the system. Mr. Dailey suggested a MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) be drafted. Mr. Dailey reported he felt at the time the MOU was ridiculous. Mr. Dailey informed the Board arrangements have been made for transfer of existing data from the global file. Chief Lordino wants all Sheriff's Department data removed from the Police Department server. Sheriff Dailey indicated Crawford PD wants to join the Sleuth system in the Sheriff's Department. All transfer fees will be paid for out of VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) inspections. Commissioner Swinney asked for a ball park figure of data currently stored on the Police Department Sleuth system. Mr. Dailey responded 95% is Chadron PD, 4% is Sheriff's Department and 1% is Crawford PD. Commissioner Johnson questioned maintenance fees. Sheriff Dailey reported his office has already been paying these fees. Sheriff Dailey also expressed concern with the statement implying personal safety could be compromised by not using the system, and he wasn't aware of any instances of public safety being jeopardized because the system wasn't in place. Chief Lordino wanted to offer an instance but was told he could wait until he (Sheriff Dailey) was gone. Commissioner Swinney expressed concern with public safety due to personal feelings. Sheriff Dailey assured those present that a relationship still exists with Police Department Officers and he would never allow an Officer or citizen to suffer any type of injury because of his relationship with Chief Lordino. Mr. Dailey went on to say if the City or State Patrol call and need assistance the Sheriff's Office will respond. At 10:57 A.M. the Board recessed to conduct a guarterly jail inspection. The Board reconvened at 11:39 A.M.

At 11:40 A.M. Becky Paulsen, Weed Superintendent, Zoning Administrator and Floodplain Manager met with the Board, Also present was Cris Burks, Nebraska Department of Agriculture, Robert Waltman, Whitney Irrigation District, Lora O'Rourke, USFS, Nancy Adler, PRIDE, Phillip and Jean Bernacki. Cris Burks introduced herself to new board members and briefed the Board re: weed laws, more specifically 2-952; 2-954(a,b &c); 2-954(2); 2-955(a&b); 2-958; 2-959; 2-961; 2-963 & 2-963(2); 003.01-003.01A6 and 003.01B. which all deal with the responsibilities of the Board, Weed Superintendent, Landowners and the County Attorney. Lora O'Rourke read a letter from Jane Darnell, Corps Supervisor. Darnell reported the Weed Department has done a great job of helping control noxious weeds on private land as a result of grants. Grants provide a cost reduction to land owners for spraying. The County Clerk read a letter received from Stephanie King. She indicated there have been problems with controlling weeds on her property since she purchased it, however; she feels that grants make weed control efforts more accessible to landowners. Ms. Paulsen reported grants allow her to concentrate on creeks and river bottoms which some private sprayers don't want to do. Robert Waltman reported the Whitney Irrigation District has also benefited from grants received through the Weed Department. Phillip Bernacki reported he uses Ms. Paulsen and Commercial Sprayers. Ms. Paulsen expressed concern with grant money being lost and how that will affect taxes. Commissioner Swinney wants private sprayers to have a chance to grow their business and feels a connection should be made with the county in spraying efforts. The County Clerk reminded the Board that grant deadlines are fast approaching and a decision needs to be made. The Board approved grant applications and Ms. Paulsen will look into raising her rates to ensure there isn't any competition with fellow sprayers. Three zoning permits from Timothy Anderson, Roger and Kathy Suhr and Paul Gitschell were presented for the Boards approval. Motion by Swinney, seconded by Stewart, directing the Chairman to sign the permits. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Dave Coe stopped by the meeting in progress and delivered a progress report on the windows project. The Board reviewed and approved monthly fee reports of the various offices. The 2011 tax sale generated \$94,170.33 according to Barbara Sebesta, Treasurer.

There being no further business before the Dawes County Board of Commissioners a motion to adjourn at 12:38 P.M. was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Motion carried. The next meeting will be April 06, 2011 beginning at 9:00 A.M with a Board of Equalization Meeting followed by the Commissioner's Meeting at approximately 9:20 A.M. Both meetings will be held in the Commissioners room at the Courthouse. A current agenda for the meeting(s) is kept on file in the County Clerk's office during normal business hours for inspection, but will close by 3:00 P.M. on Friday, April 01, 2011. The Agenda may be modified to include items of emergency nature. The meetings of the Dawes County Commissioners are open to the public. **Disclaimer: A complete text of all Resolutions passed by the Board is available upon request in the County Clerk's office during normal business hours.** 

ATTEST:	DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	
Cheryl Feist		
Dawes County Clerk		

## March 16, 2011 the following claims were audited, allowed and warrant orders drawn on their respective

**Accounts: Key for Claims:** 100=General Fund; 200=Roads Fund; 990=Visitors Fund; 1100=Reappraisal Fund; 1900=Veterans Aid Fund; 2360=Drug Fund; 2500=Grants Fund; 2700=Inheritance Fund; 1275=Health Claims Fund; 2910-911=Emergency (Communications); 2913=Wireless Communications; 4000=Courthouse Bond Payment Fund.

FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
100	ABSALON FOOD CENTER	\$619.37
100	AFLAC	\$403.35
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$5,872.79
100	AT&T	\$115.82
100	BOB BARKER COMPANY INC	\$227.69
100	ROBERT HARDY	\$450.00
100	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$161.72
100	CELESTE CATTIN	\$13.76
100	CHADRON HOME CENTER	\$43.49
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$373.78
100	CONTRYMAN ASSOCIATES,PC	\$605.00
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$662.10

100 CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING	\$15.50
100 DAWES CO TREASURER/FUND 1275	\$16,423.59
100 DAWES COUNTY ASSESSOR	\$53.50
100 DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT	\$515.00
100 DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$498.00
100 DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$570.00
100 DELL MARKETING LP	\$221.98
100 ED ROEHR SAFETY PRODUCTS	\$59.41
100 FARM PLAN	\$7.98
100 FIRST BANKCARD	\$470.65
100 FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$9,357.58
100 FLEET SERVICES/SHERIFF	\$365.30
100 GMC OF CHADRON	\$51.64
100 GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$282.44
100 GRP & ASSOCIATES,INC	\$40.00
100 HENCEY PLUMBING & HYDRONICS,INC	\$45.00
100 HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$40.50
100 IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY,INC	\$185.17
100 IS COMMUNICATIONS & OPERATIONS	\$25.90
100 LINCOLN CO SHERIFF	\$20.70
100 MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$3,268.48
100 MANSFIELD ENTERPRISES	\$1,077.14
100 MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	\$737.39

100 MIPS INC	\$2,807.66
100 MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$40.00
100 NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	\$90.00
100 NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,102.15
100 NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$37.51
100 NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$253.33
100 NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$38.12
100 NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIP INC	\$258.00
100 NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/ASSESSOR	\$128.50
100 NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$13.93
100 NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CO ATTORNEY	\$142.05
100 NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/COUNTY COURT	\$106.17
100 NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/DISTRICT CT	\$8.99
100 NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/EXTENSION	\$445.51
100 NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/PUBLIC DEFEND	\$67.97
100 NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/SHERIFF	\$83.98
100 OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$161.00
100 HERB L PETERSEN	\$476.00
100 PETERSON LOCKSMITH	\$6.00
100 PINE RIDGE LAND SURVEYS,INC	\$2,540.50
100 QUILL CORPORATION	\$46.25
100 QWEST	\$213.46
100 QWEST	\$22.22

100AMY RAGSDALE	\$247.28
100 RAPID CITY JOURNAL/CO ATTORNEY	\$50.25
100 RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$100.51
100 RAPID CITY JOURNAL/TREASURER	\$292.72
100 REGIER CUSTOM DESIGN	\$1,320.50
100 SARPY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$19.38
100 MALYCHANH SAYALOUNE	\$10.69
100 SCOTTS BLUFF CO ADULT CORRECTIONS	\$780.00
100 SCOTTS BLUFF CO DETENTION CENTER	\$1,870.00
100 SERVICEMASTER CLEAN OF CHADRON	\$20.00
100 SHELL FLEET PLUS-SHERIFF	\$421.16
100SHELL-EXTENSION OFFICE	\$159.08
100SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$5,243.16
100SMITH,KING AND SIMMONS,PC	\$50.00
100STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$1.84
100 VERIZON WIRELESS	\$99.08
100 VERIZON WIRELESS	\$194.88
100WALMART COMMUNITY	\$315.95
100 WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$462.50
100 WESTERN PLAINS BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	\$57.54
100 XEROX CORPORATION/VETERANS OFFICE	\$76.53
200 ABSALON FOOD CENTER	\$66.59
200AFLAC	\$220.94

200 AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$552.65
200 ARMSTRONG EXTINGUISHER SERVICE INC	\$551.82
200 BIGHORN AUTO SUPPLY	\$58.57
200 CHADRON HOME CENTER	\$18.42
200 CITY OF CHADRON	\$100.91
200 CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$102.00
200 DAWES CO TREASURER/FUND 1275	\$1,359.10
200 DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$100.00
200 EDDIE'S TRUCK CENTER	\$831.01
200 FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$1,392.51
200 HENKENS EQUIPMENT INC	\$649.01
200 HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$109.41
200 HOTSY EQUIPMENT CO	\$710.98
200 INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE	\$114.92
200 LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	\$703.27
200 LINWELD	\$42.84
200 METAL PRODUCTS COMPANY	\$167.84
200 NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$270.30
200 NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$138.10
200 NEBRASKA SAFETY CENTER @ UNK	\$1,591.30
200 NEBRASKALAND TIRE	\$68.19
200 NORM'S CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	\$670.74
200 PINE RIDGE SERVICE CENTER,INC	\$1,607.50
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200 POWERPLAN	\$7,391.26
200 RON'S REPAIR SHOP	\$30.00
200 SCOTT ROBERTS ELECTRIC INC	\$162.38
200 STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$160.67
200 WESTCO	\$5,527.96
200 JERRY BLAINE YARDLEY	\$1,382.74
990 CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$3,750.00
990 LAMAR OUTDOOR ADVERTISING	\$1,232.00
990 NEBRASKA LIFE PUBLISHING, INC	\$490.00
990 POST PLAYHOUSE	\$1,500.00
1275 DAWES COUNTY INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$30,000.00
2500 BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF NE PANHANDLE	\$1,907.00
2910 DAKOTA BACKUP,LLC	\$103.96
2910 GALLS	\$140.91
2910 GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$186.95
2910 PETERSEN DRUG	\$5.98
2910 QWEST	\$409.03
2910WALMART COMMUNITY/E911	\$9.97
2910WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$1,039.00

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