

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

December 17, 2014

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:00 A.M. on the 17th day of December, 2014 and published pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Stewart. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners Stewart, Johnson and Swinney. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney and Vic Rivera. 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. It was noted for the record the Board will meet to reorganize on January 08, 2015 after Officials are sworn in. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Swinney adding Weed Superintendent hire recommendation to the Agenda and approve the revised Agenda. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Swinney and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Swinney seconded by Johnson to approve the December 03, 2014 minutes with the following corrections to wit: Deputy Clerk, not Dawes County Deputy Clerk; add a second of motion by Commissioner Swinney re: Agenda; add roll call vote to motion after approving minutes; the Public Hearing to add Grant County to the Panhandle Public Health District was rescheduled to January 08, 2015 due to publication requirements and the word shoulders, not slopes as recorded. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Kerri Rempp, The Chadron Record, joined the meeting in progress. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Swinney to approve the claims as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. Correspondences included acknowledgement of a Thank You sent by Chadron State College re: Business and Industry Day and the 2014 final audit report submitted by Contryman & Associates, P.C. Commissioner Swinney moved to accept the 2014 final audit report from Contryman & Associates, P.C. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Johnson. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Swinney and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Lacy Troester, HR Director, joined the meeting. She reported that she, Commissioner Johnson and Larry Hankin interviewed four candidates for the position of Weed Superintendent. The hiring committee recommends the Board hire Dan Wordekemper for the position. Commissioner Swinney moved to offer the position to Dan Wordekemper. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Swinney, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board was presented with a subgroup application to Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance which addresses changes to enrollment and eligibility. Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the changes and direct the Chairman to sign such. Commissioner Swinney seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2014-14 was introduced by Commissioner Swinney, seconded by Johnson, directing the Treasurer to transfer \$68,055.89 from Grants Fund to the Miscellaneous General Fund as directed by the State Auditor's Office. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Swinney and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Audit proposals were discussed. Commissioner Johnson moved

to direct the County Clerk to proceed with RFP's to audit Dawes County. Commissioner Swinney seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Swinney, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Clerk was instructed to include visiting with the Board re: audit report and require pre-approval on any additional expenses relevant to the audit in the RFP. Lacy Troester, HR Director, met with the Board again re: Crisis Leave Policy. She reported an employee had approached her about adding donation of sick leave to the policy. Discussion ensued. Adam Edmund informed the Board that because sick leave isn't compensable like vacation leave when an individual leaves employment with the county it wasn't a good practice. The Board will add compensation time to the policy as compensation time is compensable like vacation. This change and several other personnel policy changes will be reviewed for approval at the January 27, 2015 Commissioner meeting. Public Comment ensued with Commissioner Swinney asking Mr. Rivera what his thoughts were regarding Board operations, etc. since attending several meetings. Mr. Rivera indicated overall he feels the Board is functioning well, however; he will be presenting some ideas for improvement in other area once sworn into office. The Board recessed at 9:53 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 10:02 A.M.

At 10:03 A.M. Larry Hankin, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Road updates included the following to wit: District 1- pulled 2/10 mile on Heesacker Road and graveled; helped haul gravel on Grantham Road in District 2; have been blading/plowing snow and performing equipment maintenance. District 2-pulled ½ mile on Grantham Road and graveled; helped haul rock in District 3; put up a snow fence on Country Club Road and have been blading/plowing snow. District 3-finished graveled on Eleson Road; hauling gravel back on North Moody Road and have been blading/plowing snow. Crusher-the Crusher was shut down to plow snow. Mr. Hankin reported Chrisman Trucking is crushing at Rickenbachs pit. Crew Members will be attending a Loader/Grader seminar hosted by Sheridan County on January 13-14, 2015. Mr. Hankin reported that he and Commissioner Johnson met with the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) to request a diagnostic review re: Saw Log Road railroad crossing. NDOR requested an ADT-(Average Daily Traffic) count on the road. Hankin reported that count is 87 vehicles daily. A train count will also be conducted and crash data was requested from NDOR. Hankin reported there have been no incidents on the road since 1997. Hankin reported he is waiting to hear back from NDOR with recommendations to address the citizens concerned. He informed the Board based upon NDOR's recommendations an Engineer may need to be involved. In the meantime a letter will go out to all individuals that signed the original petition. Lacy Troester, HR Director, joined the meeting in progress. She reported the Bailiff positions will end their first six months as of January 20, 2015. She and Commissioner Swinney along with Judge Harford and Sharon Harrison, Clerk of District Court, met with the Bailiffs to seek input, suggestions, etc. She reported the Bailiffs would like to see training offered on conflict resolution and taser/firearms. They also would like to have a panic button installed in the area where individuals are scanned before entering the Courtroom. Raises were discussed as orientation period has been completed by the Bailiffs. Commissioner Swinney moved to give Bailiff's completing orientation a .50 cent per hour raise and guarantee a two (2) hour minimum workday if called in to work. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:58 A.M. Sandy Roes, WCHR Director, met with the Board. She presented the updated 2014-2015 Community Based Juvenile Services Aid Grant for the Chairman's signature. The emphasis of grant will be changed to School Social Worker. Commissioner Johnson moved to direct the Chairman to sign Grant #14-cb-0512 in the amount of \$26,675.00 and change the emphasis of the grant to School Social Worker. Commissioner Swinney seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Swinney and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board recessed at 11:10 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 11:20 A.M. Board reports ensued with Commissioner Swinney reporting he met with the Douglas County Commissioners to solicit support of a legislative bill to be introduced by Senator Al Davis addressing funding changes to State Community Colleges. At the NACO Conference Governor Elect Pete Ricketts informed those present the State has surplus funds available. A request has been made to meet with Governor Elect Ricketts to learn more about the available funds. Mr. Swinney reported he also met with Senator Al Davis and Dennis Bach, President of State Community Colleges. Mr. Bach didn't have figures he had previously offered to assist in implementation of the legislative bill Senator Davis will introduce. Commissioner Swinney reported METRO Community College provided information that compared what they receive as opposed to other State Colleges. Mr. Swinney indicated that several Commissioners support funding changes to Community Colleges. Senator Al Davis also informed Mr. Swinney he will re-introduce a legislative bill to secure a Game & Parks Commissioner for the Panhandle area. Commissioner Swinney also reported a 3R Program will be initiated by NDOR starting in April of 2015 which will limit the use of Engineers and give county's more authority with road projects.

At 11:44 A.M. Jenny Nixon, UNL Extension, met with the Board. She presented three names for the Boards approval re: Extension Board appointments. The three individuals who have expressed a desire to serve on the Board are Jim O'Rourke, Dawn Pinnt and Lori Oekten. Commissioner Johnson moved to appoint Jim O'Rourke, Dawn Pinnt and Lori Oekten to the Extension Board. Commissioner Swinney seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Swinney, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board recessed at 12:01 P.M. to conduct a quarterly jail inspection. The Board reconvened to regular session at 12:40 P.M.

There being no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:42 P.M. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be January 08, 2015 beginning at 8:30 A.M. with a Board of Equalization Meeting followed by the Commissioner Meeting at approximately 8:50 A.M. Both meetings will be held in the Commissioners room at the Courthouse. A current agenda is available at the Clerk's Office during normal business hours but will close at 2:00 P.M. January 02, 2015.

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

December 17, 2014 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; 1150=Preservation & Maintenance Fund; 1900=Veterans Aid Fund; 2360=Drug Fund; 2500=Grants Fund; 2700=Inheritance Fund; 2910-911=Emergency Communications; 2913=Wireless Communications; 4000=Courthouse Bond Payment Fund.

FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
100	AFLAC	\$501.07
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$7,702.62
100	AT&T	\$40.88
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-EXTENSION	\$52.01
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-SHERIFF	\$296.36
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$207.06
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-WEED	\$142.70
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$26,338.88
100	ROBERT HARDY	\$270.00
100	BRENNAN ELECTRIC	\$235.29
100	CENTURYLINK	\$435.60
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$94.00
100	CHADRON LUMBER COMPANY INC	\$10.99

100	CHADRON MOTOR COMPANY	\$42.14
100	CHADRON STATE COLLEGE	\$11.00
100	CIRCLE J GLASS-N-MORE	\$14.70
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$336.33
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$2,500.00
100	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$734.94
100	CONTRYMAN ASSOCIATES,PC	\$5,900.00
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$230.75
100	CULLIGAN-ASSESSOR	\$23.00
100	CULLIGAN-CO ATTORNEY	\$27.25
100	CULLIGAN-VETERANS	\$19.75
100	CULLIGAN-WEED	\$10.00
100	D&S MARKET,LLC	\$477.06
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$381.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$31.62
100	DOLLAR GENERAL	\$108.15
100	FAMILY SKILL BUILDING SERVICES,LLC	\$600.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/EXTENSION	\$132.36
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$13,092.80
100	GRAINGER	\$418.55

100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$363.28
100	LEAH GREMM	\$113.79
100	HENCEY PLUMBING & HYDRONICS,INC	\$702.70
100	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$58.41
100	HI-TECH CAR CARE	\$42.75
100	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$438.99
100	JAEGER LAW OFFICE	\$171.12
100	JJ'S ENGRAVING & SALES	\$72.00
100	KCSR-AM	\$250.00
100	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$95.00
100	MATTHEW BENDER & CO,INC	\$465.46
100	MIDWEST CONNECT,LLC	\$230.00
100	MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	\$586.35
100	MIPS INC	\$3,281.37
100	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$60.00
100	NACO	\$1,180.50
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,333.39
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE/LEVY	\$25.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$21.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$1,470.14

100	NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT	\$105.25
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$34.36
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CO ATTORNEY	\$158.43
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/COUNTY COURT	\$35.00
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/DISTRICT CT	\$11.49
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/EXTENSION	\$164.08
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/PUBLIC DEFEND	\$64.57
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/TREASURER	\$19.99
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/VETERANS	\$54.98
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$42.16
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$144.26
100	PESTS GO	\$35.00
100	PETERSEN DRUG	\$47.86
100	HERB L PETERSEN	\$501.00
100	QUILL CORPORATION	\$477.04
100	AMY RAGSDALE	\$248.00
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$225.28
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/WEED	\$138.65
100	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$394.01
100	SADDLE ROCK ONE STOP	\$44.02

100	SCOTT ROBERTS ELECTRIC INC	\$90.66
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$5,306.88
100	STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$58.35
100	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$125.05
100	VERIZON WIRELESS-WEED	\$63.46
100	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$147.88
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-SHERIFF	\$299.18
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$158.87
100	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$53.87
100	WEST 2ND APPLIANCE	\$399.99
100	XEROX CORPORATION	\$545.13
100	XEROX CORPORATION/VETERANS OFFICE	\$105.37
200	AFLAC	\$202.42
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$834.13
200	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$1,661.97
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$2,252.85
200	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$81.20
200	CHADRON GLASS & WINDOWS,INC	\$440.00
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$102.20
200	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$106.59

200	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$48.53
200	DALE'S TIRE AND RETREADING,INC	\$2,320.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$55.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$2,522.92
200	FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER,INC	\$979.72
200	GODFREY BRAKE SERVICE & SUPPLY, INC	\$262.61
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING,INC	\$53.50
200	HENKENS EQUIPMENT INC	\$117.30
200	INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE	\$87.48
200	MATHESON LINWELD INC	\$23.70
200	MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL CORP	\$256.10
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$401.68
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$242.40
200	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/ROADS	\$109.95
200	NEBRASKALAND TIRE	\$3,913.07
200	NORM'S NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$1,590.80
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$188.66
200	PANHANDLE COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION	\$13,083.05
200	PHILLIPS F & T INC	\$3,255.49
200	POWERPLAN	\$88.03

200	QUALITY TIRE	\$163.39
200	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/ROADS	\$144.51
200	RDO TRUCK CENTER	\$437.05
200	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$290.00
200	RON'S REPAIR SHOP	\$75.00
200	SANDVIK MINING AND CONTRUCTION USA	\$148.38
200	SHEEHAN MACK SALES & EQUIP,INC	\$86.86
200	STOLL DORF ELECTRIC	\$2,699.15
200	STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$526.10
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$104.43
200	WEST RIVER INTERNATIONAL INC	\$92.45
200	WESTCO	\$10,420.01
990	CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$4,510.52
990	LAMAR OUTDOOR ADVERTISING	\$430.00
990	NEBRASKALAND MAGAZINE	\$300.00
990	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/VISITOR PROMO	\$1.84
1150	MOBILE BINDERS	\$192.64
1900	VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE	\$100.00
2500	KARL DAILEY	\$500.00
2910	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$28.97

2910	INTRALINKS,INC	\$112.50
2910	TONY SERBOUSEK	\$300.00
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$1,501.50
2913	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$74.50
4000	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$4,768.75