

**CHADRON, NEBRASKA****March 19, 2008****DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners meeting in regular session was commenced at the hour of 8:05 A.M. on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2008, in the Dawes County Commissioners Room pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Blausey. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners' Blausey, Fisher and Wess. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk, Megan Failla, Deputy County Attorney, Chris Fankhauser, KCSR Radio and James F. Wilburn. Per LB 898 the Chairman announced the location of posted information concerning the Open Meetings Act located in the Commissioner Room. Copies of the Act are available upon request by anyone attending the meeting. Commissioner Wess asked his phone number be published so individuals having questions concerning Commissioner District 2 could contact him. That phone number is (308) 430-3953. Motion by Wess, seconded by Fisher, approving the Agenda as submitted. Roll call vote, Ayes: Fisher, Wess and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. Rick Stewart, Carolyn Stewart, Eugene Stewart and Mick Franey joined the meeting in progress. Minutes of the March 05, 2008 Commissioner Meeting were reviewed by the Board. Motion by Wess, seconded by Fisher, approving the minutes as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Blausey and Fisher. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Motion by Fisher, seconded by Wess approving all claims as submitted. Roll call vote, Ayes: Blausey, Fisher and Wess. Nays: None. Megan Failla, Deputy County Attorney, reported the interlocal agreement between Box Butte County and Dawes County re: maintenance of West River Road and Table Center Road (Table Center Road from Box Butte County line to Box Butte Reservoir) has been drafted; Sale of the 186 IHC Tractor Unit 209, (declared as surplus on October 10, 2007) to Bridgeport Tractor as parts was researched by the Deputy County Attorney. She reported sale thereof falls within Statute guidelines and it was learned the County can borrow short-term through credit re: projects. In other business the Board acknowledged the resignation of Galen Niehues as Dawes County Weed Superintendent, Zoning Administrator and Flood-Plain Manager. The position will be advertised with applications being distributed and returned through the Clerk's Office during normal business hours. A letter was received from Mike Kesselring thanking District 3 Roads Department for work done on Toadstool Road. The Board reviewed information received from the County Treasurer re: tax sale held on March 03, 2008.

At 8:25 A.M. Kerry Bailey, Edward Jones, met with the Board to discuss funding re: Elevator project. He reported municipal bonds are a huge portion of their business. Smith Hayes does the underwriting and the bonds go to Edward Jones. Edward Jones in turn tries to issue the bonds locally before going outside the local area. He asked if the Board plans to RFP funding for the Elevator project. The Board indicated they haven't made any firm decision regarding RFP's for the project but will consider the matter as they get closer to funding of project.

At 8:40 A.M. Chairman Blausey reported a public hearing was held on March 05, 2008 re: requested closure of S. Wayside Road. Several people attended that hearing and the majority represented opposed closure of said road. If closed N. Wayside Road would need to be used and the County has no jurisdiction over the Road as it lies in South Dakota. By Statute the Board can leave a road open but gate it. The E-W portion of S. Wayside road is passable. If left open upgrading of auto-gates, cleaning, pilings would need removed and culvert(s) installed. Some gravel could be hauled to the pasture area in question. The Chairman asked if there was a motion to vacate S. Wayside Road. There being no motion by any member of the Board to vacate, the Chairman declared the road will remain open with minimum maintenance. Rick Stewart, Carolyn Stewart, Eugene Stewart and Mick Franey left the meeting in progress. In other

business conducted by the Board a proclamation declaring April as Parliamentary Law Month was read aloud by the Chairman of the Board. Motion by Wess, seconded by Fisher, proclaiming April as Parliamentary Law Month. Roll call vote, Ayes: Fisher, Wess and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. Mr. Wilburn shared information throughout different times during the meeting on proper protocol for conducting public meetings. Mr. Wilburn left the meeting in progress.

At 8:50 A.M. Loyd Thompsen joined the meeting in progress. The Board reported S. Wayside will remain open with minimum maintenance. Discussion ensued. It was decided the County will work with Mr. Thompsen to establish an alternate route, other than through his pasture, by individuals using S. Wayside when the road is bad. The County Clerk was instructed to contact Dawes County Abstract and Title to study a portion of the road for easement purposes. Mr. Thompsen left the meeting in progress.

At 9:17 A.M. Lindy Coleman, Assessor, joined the meeting in progress. She asked for executive session to discuss personnel matters. Motion to enter executive session for the purpose of personnel issues was made by Commissioner Fisher, seconded by Wess. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Blausey and Fisher. Nays: None. Motion carried. At 9:27 A.M. motion to reconvene to regular session was made by Commissioner Fisher, seconded by Wess. Roll call vote, Ayes: Blausey, Fisher and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried. No action was taken during executive session. Wayne Fisher joined the meeting in progress. He had a zoning question relevant to surveys. Galen Niehues was contacted and Mr. Fisher had the opportunity to visit with Niehues and his question was answered. A petition application submitted by Northwest Rural Public Power to trench across Hughbanks Road to install electrical service to an irrigation well was reviewed by the Board. Motion by Fisher, seconded by Wess, directing the Chair to sign the petition request with final approval as to trench or bore across Hughbanks Road being made by the Highway Superintendent. Roll call vote, Ayes: Fisher, Wess and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. A road closure request received from Dale and Donna Steineke was reviewed by the Board. Resolution No. 07-2008 directing the Highway Superintendent to study that portion of road known as Horseshoe Road located in Section 6; Township 30; Range 51 West starting at the North end of the Steineke property at the Northwest corner of the Southwest quarter and extending to the center of the Southwest quarter approximately one mile to the USFS land in Section 6; Township 30; Range 51. was made by Commissioner Fisher, seconded by Wess. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Blausey and Fisher. Nays: None. Motion carried. An interpretative sign grant award notice applied for by the Historical Society was acknowledged by the Board. Commissioner Wess introduced a motion directing the Chairman of the Board to sign the grant award. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fisher. Roll call vote, Ayes: Blausey, Fisher and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried. In other business the Board discussed the possibility of having NIRMA conduct training to all personnel in an elected, appointed or supervisory position on equal opportunity employment practices. The County Clerk will contact NIRMA. The Board discussed members taking turns on Community Focus after each Commissioner Meeting. It was decided each Board Member will alternate being a guest on Community Focus after each Commissioner meeting to keep the public informed as to County activities. The Board recessed at 10:00 A.M. for a ten minute break. The Board reconvened at 10:10 A.M. to regular session.

At 10:11 A.M. The Board reviewed a listing of additional surplus items submitted by various county offices. Motion by Wess, seconded by Fisher, to surplus the listed items which will be sold at public auction to be held on April 19, 2008 beginning at 10:00 A.M. located at SWANN. Roll call vote, Ayes: Fisher, Wess and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. A complete listing of those items is available during normal business hours in the Clerk's Office. A memo will be sent to all offices having surplus items for auction informing them the County Roads Department will be picking those items up the week prior to auction. Chris Fankhauser left the meeting in progress.

At 10:25 A.M. Motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing litigation updates was made by Commissioner Wess, seconded by Fisher. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess,

Blausey and Fisher. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion to reconvene to regular session at 10:46 A.M. was made by Commissioner Wess, seconded by Fisher. Roll call vote, Ayes: Blausey, Fisher and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried. No decisions were made during executive session. In other business a letter was received from Center for Rural Affairs re: LB's 1088 & 1174. The Board supports both Legislative Bills. A letter received from the Nebraska National Forest Service requesting EIS (Environmental Impact Study) comments relevant to proposed management of rangelands on the Oglala and Buffalo Gap National Grasslands was reviewed by the Board. Commissioner Fisher will respond to the request. A letter received from NW Community Action Council acknowledging Don Blausey serves as a Community Action Board Member was signed by Commissioner Wess. The Sheriff's February 2008 mileage report was reviewed and approved by the Board. The March 20, 2008 Staffing Agenda was discussed and copies of the Agenda will be distributed to offices prior to the meeting.

At 10:55 A.M. there being no further business to address Commissioner Wess made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Fisher. Roll call vote: Ayes: Fisher, Wess and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. The next regular meeting of the Board will be April 02, 2008 beginning at 8:00 A.M. with a Board of Equalization Meeting followed by the regular Commissioner Meeting commencing at approximately 8:20 A.M. to be held in the Commissioner's Room at the Courthouse. Current Agenda's to the both meetings are kept on file in the County Clerks office during normal business hours for inspection, but the Agenda's will close by 4:00 P.M. on the Friday preceding the Board meeting(s) on Wednesday. The Agenda's 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: \_\_\_\_\_  
**COMMISSIONERS**

**DAWES COUNTY**

Cheryl Feist

Dawes County Clerk

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**March 19, 2008 the following claims were audited, allowed and warrant orders drawn on their respective accounts.**

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FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
100	AFLAC	\$469.89
100	AGING OFFICE OF WESTERN NEBRASKA	\$700.00
100	ALLTEL	\$94.59
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$5,641.98
100	AT&T	\$50.75

100	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$150.53
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$14,267.53
100	ROBERT HARDY	\$270.00
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$77.55
100	CHADRON MEDICAL CLINIC	\$117.00
100	CHADRON RSVP	\$775.00
100	CHADRON WHOLESALE	\$84.12
100	LOIS J CHIZEK	\$109.08
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$453.55
100	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT ASSOCIATION	\$100.00
100	CMRS-FP	\$500.00
100	CAROL R CONNELL	\$30.00
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$884.42
100	CRAWFORD HANDI BUS	\$850.00
100	CRAWFORD RSVP	\$750.00
100	CRAWFORD SENIOR CITIZENS PROGRAM	\$900.00
100	CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING	\$35.95
100	KARL DAILEY	\$37.35
100	DAWES COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY	\$1,000.00
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$279.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$824.00
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$8,814.64
100	FIRST NATL BANK N PLATTE, 125 PLAN	\$3,576.00
100	FLEET SERVICES/SHERIFF	\$532.16
100	JAMIE GOFFENA	\$226.58
100	GRANT-MILLER COMMUNICATIONS INC.	\$87.64
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$189.85
100	SHARON HARRISON	\$27.74
100	HENCEY PLUMBING & HYDRONICS, INC.	\$64.10
100	MAXINE W HOLMES	\$100.00
100	HSBC BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	\$68.46
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY, INC	\$263.35
100	IS COMMUNICATIONS & OPERATIONS	\$13.29
100	HARVEY KEIM	\$15.00
100	LORRAINE A MILES	\$100.00
100	MIPS INC	\$9,409.42
100	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$128.40

100	YANCEY SCOTT MOORE	\$175.00
100	NACO	\$60.00
100	NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	\$25.00
100	NE DEPT/PROP ASSESSMENT & TAXATION	\$575.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$791.64
100	NEBRASKA NORTHWEST DEVELOPMENT CORP	\$3,750.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$1,273.39
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE	\$671.28
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$4.70
100	PESTS GO	\$30.00
100	PETERSEN DRUG	\$150.18
100	PETERSON LOCKSMITH	\$50.00
100	PINE RIDGE LAND SURVEYS,INC	\$275.00
100	QWEST	\$59.98
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL	\$675.29
100	REG I MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE	\$4,225.00
100	REG I OFFICE OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	\$2,750.00
100	REGION 23 EMERGENCY SERVICES	\$4,560.00
100	RELIABLE OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$25.06
100	SCOTT ROBERTS ELECTRIC INC	\$82.14
100	SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY SHERIFF	\$18.21
100	SHELL FLEET PLUS-VETERANS	\$264.62
100	SHELL-EXTENSION OFFICE	\$292.15
100	HARRIS W SNYDER	\$120.25
100	ALYCIA TESCH	\$40.00
100	THE EDGE POWERSPORTS	\$273.44
100	U.S. POSTAL SERVICE	\$5,000.00
100	USDA,APHIS,WILDLIFE SERVICES	\$4,475.00
100	TERRI L WAIT	\$15.00
100	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$97.36
100	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$488.40
100	MICHELLE WHETHAM	\$25.34
100	XEROX CORPORATION	\$106.49
200	A & H TRUCK SALVAGE,INC	\$29.50
200	ABC ELECTRIC OF CHADRON,INC	\$6.00
200	AFLAC	\$127.25
200	ALLTEL	\$250.46
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$701.32
200	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$22.40

200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$1,255.92
200	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$22.83
200	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$104.15
200	DALE'S TIRE AND RETREADING, INC	\$1,852.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$60.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$2,161.29
200	GODFREY BRAKE SERVICE & SUPPLY, INC	\$2,475.10
200	GRIMM'S PUMP AND INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY	\$100.86
200	HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	\$25.00
200	HAUGEN REPAIR	\$257.90
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$70.30
200	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$10.00
200	HOURT'S BODY SHOP	\$142.88
200	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY, INC	\$8.30
200	INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE	\$109.57
200	J & J PARTS & SUPPLY	\$530.47
200	LINWELD	\$39.85
200	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$122.50
200	NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	\$283.13
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$377.80
200	NEBRASKA MACHINERY CO	\$1,763.75
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$189.82
200	NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIP INC	\$60.00
200	NEBRASKALAND TIRE	\$74.00
200	NORM'S CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	\$695.88
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$276.03
200	PINE RIDGE SERVICE CENTER, INC	\$11,184.00
200	POWERPLAN	\$13,023.33
200	SHEEHAN MACK SALES & EQUIP, INC	\$41.66
200	SLAFTER OIL CO	\$98.10
200	STERN OIL CO, INC	\$2,012.50
200	WAHLSTROM FORD INC	\$19,531.27
200	WESTCO	\$944.76
200	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$260.00
200	WPCI	\$121.00
2500	BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF NE PANHANDLE	\$8,222.00

2525	DAWES COUNTY REGION ECON DEVEL FUND	\$3,047.08
2525	NEBRASKA NORTHWEST DEVELOPMENT CORP	\$1,328.67
2700	NE DEPT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	\$26.13
4010	OUTLAW PRINTERS, INC	\$783.36
5400	AFLAC	\$34.85
5400	ALLTEL	\$63.87
5400	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$56.12
5400	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$305.83
5400	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$136.92
5400	CHADRON MACHINE SHOP	\$30.50
5400	CITY OF CHADRON	\$32.18
5400	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$116.70
5400	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY, INC	\$18.86
5400	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$39.99
5400	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$14.63
5400	SPRING CREEK SERVICE	\$45.00
5907	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$191.95
5907	HSBC BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	\$91.58
5907	MILLENNIUM COMPUTER SYSTEMS	\$689.00
5907	NEBRASKA TECH & TELECOMM, INC.	\$1,084.58
5907	OFFICE DEPOT	\$1,324.40
5907	TONY SERBOUSEK	\$125.00
5907	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$231.00
5907	XEROX CORPORATION	\$475.70

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