

**CHADRON, NEBRASKA**  
**September 2, 2009**  
**DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners meeting in regular session was commenced at the hour of 8:24 A.M. on the 2nd day of September, 2009 in the Commissioners Room and published 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, Wess and Johnson. Also present was Deb Lesmeister, Dawes County Deputy Clerk. 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. Additions to the agenda were the Dog and Cat Operator Act, Policy Issues that included time sheets disciplinary actions, and condolences to the family of Gealey Mathis who was a former County Clerk. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Wess to approve the Agenda with the additional items. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Johnson and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. Next on the schedule were the minutes of the August 19, 2009 meeting. The following two corrections were noted: in Commissioner Record Book R, page 14, line 1 remove the word "and" and insert the word "that" and on line 2 remove the word "adopted" and insert the word "proposed, on line 3 remove the word "proposed" and insert the word "adopted". With the above corrections, Commissioner Wess made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Johnson. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Blausey and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried. Harvey Keim joined the meeting in progress at 8:47 A.M. Claims were reviewed. Dawes County Sheriff Karl Dailey was called and asked to join the meeting. At 9:02 A.M. Sheriff Dailey joined the meeting and was asked to explain the claim submitted for payment to Wahlstrom Ford. Discussion ensued as to whether the County Purchasing Act was followed to procure the present vehicle obtained by the Sheriff's Department. This conversation was tape recorded by Sheriff Dailey. Sheriff Dailey left the meeting at 9:18 A.M. Kerri Rempp with Chadron Record entered the meeting at 9:04 A.M. At 9:25 A.M. motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Wess to enter into executive session regarding possible litigation action by the county. Roll call vote, Ayes: Blausey, Wess, and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. At 9:37 motion by Commissioner Wess, seconded by Johnson to reconvene to regular session. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Johnson, and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. No action was taken during the executive session. Motion by Commissioner Wess, seconded by Johnson to approve the claims as submitted. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Blausey, and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:37 A.M. the Public Hearing on the closure of a portion of Barber Road was held. Persons signing the attendance roster were: Jack R. Honerkamp, Kathleen Merriman, Dennis Brown with KCSR, Kerri Rempp with Chadron Record, and Harvey Keim the Dawes County Road Superintendent. The portion of this road is located 9 miles west of Chadron, then 3 miles south and then 1 east. Mr. Honerkamp did want verification of the location which was supplied by Harvey Keim. He also questioned if the road was a dedicated or prescribed road, and what the reopening process of a closed road would be. Mr. Honerkamp did state that he was in favor of the road being closed. In addition they would like it to be stated that Faulk Road is in need of gravel. The public hearing closed at 9:51 A.M. Motion by Commissioner Johnson to adopt **Resolution No. 28-2009**, seconded by Wess. Roll call vote, Ayes: Blausey, Wess, and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Kate Merriman and Jack Honerkamp left the meeting at 9:57 A.M.

At 9:58 Dawes County Road Superintendent gave a road update. He talked about gravel on Table Road, a pipe arch on Squaw Creek road, and signage on county roads which is being updated. Commissioner Blausey advised Don Vanetta had expressed concerns about persons traveling at high rates of speed on Table Road. Commissioner Blausey would like to see about the possibility of a stop sign at the intersection of Table Road and Krotz Road for safety reasons. Mr. Keim will check on that. He also discussed about securing vehicle bids for a pickup for the Road Department and bids for culvert prices to be used on Table Road. When asked about any news on engineering costs for the Slim Buttes Road project he said there was none at this time but that he would continue to keep checking. Mr. Keim left the meeting at 10:07 A.M.

Official's Fee reports and SWANN Board of Directors minutes were reviewed and approved.

Office space was discussed. The Dawes County Attorney will be moving to the basement of the Courthouse and will occupy the former County Court office. DMV may be moving to the old county courtroom and it will also be used as a conference room on days DMV is not there. The small conference room in the basement on the east side of the building will be used as a records storage room.

Becky Paulsen, Dawes County Weed Superintendent and Zoning Administrator joined the meeting at 10:10 A.M. There were no sealed bids received for the pickup that was advertised. She will now look for a vehicle to purchase with the money that is in her budget. She did share information on zoning with the Commissioners on wind towers and about a kennel located on Hwy S 385. She also gave an update on the weed spraying that is ongoing this fall. Ms. Paulsen left the meeting at 10:27 A.M.

A report on the Sheriff/Jail Department salaries was reviewed. Letters will be sent to those employees who salaries will not increase this fiscal year.

A letter concerning stray dogs and cats was discussed. The county must have a plan on file to take care of this. Commissioner Blausey has contacted Dr. Gamby. This item is to be placed on the September 16, 2009 agenda for formal action.

A letter from John R. Hoehne with the Heartland Expressway Association was discussed. This was a letter of request for payment based on the population of Dawes County which is stated as 9,060. The association would like a contribution of 10 cents per person which would equal \$906.00 to be part of this association. Motion by Commissioner Wess to support the building of a 4 lane Heartland Expressway through Dawes County, seconded by Johnson. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Johnson, and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Resolution No. 2009-29** was introduced. It is for the transfer of fund by the Dawes County Treasurer for the fiscal year 2009-2010. Motion to approve by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Wess. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Blausey, and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A list of surplus items from the Dawes County Rural school was presented. Motion to surplus the items on Page 1 and the Page 2 items will be surplussed in which the ownership will be transferred to Chadron City Schools.

Commissioner Blausey asked when the Safety Committee meets and Commissioner Johnson, who is on the committee, stated they meet every quarter. The safety committee has been assigned to walk throughs of the County

Buildings. Security cameras for the Courthouse were discussed. Mr. Steve Crile was looking into that information, but has recently resigned. If the cost for cameras is over \$20,000.00 the bidding process will have to be followed.

Mr. Dave Coe has been contacted about a proposal for the updating of the windows in the Courthouse. He will present a proposal, as help may be needed with the wording as to what the specifications should call for when the project is bid. No proposal has been received at this time.

Julie Butler, Human Resources Director for the County is updating the information on salaries for personnel. Information is being compiled so that there is a start in base pay with the possibility of step plan. The county also needs to implement a reporting system for documentation of time worked. Also needing to be addressed in the policy book is a disciplinary action form which will be standard for all departments within the county.

Motion by Commissioner Wess to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Johnson. Ayes: Wess, Johnson, and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. The next regular meeting of the Board will be September 16, 2009 beginning at 8:00 A.M. with a Board of Equalization Meeting followed by the Commissioner Meeting at approximately 8:20 A.M. Both meetings will be held in the Commissioner Room at the Courthouse. A current Agenda to the meeting is 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 on Wednesday. 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: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Deb Lesmeister**  
**Dawes County Deputy Clerk**

**DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

September 2, 2009 the following claims were audited, allowed and warrant orders drawn on their respective Accounts:

FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
100	AFLAC	\$395.28
100	AGING OFFICE OF WESTERN NEBRASKA	\$690.50
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$5,750.62
100	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$70.41
100	AS CENTRAL FINANCE	\$210.50
100	AXIS CAPITAL INC	\$459.22
100	BUNK HOUSE MOTEL	\$240.00
100	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$20.00
100	CHADRON HOME CENTER	\$36.94
100	CHADRON RSVP	\$750.00
100	CHADRON WHOLESALE	\$153.97
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$62.50
100	JAKE CLEVELAND	\$75.00
100	COMMSOURCE, INC	\$933.82
100	SCOTT COTTON	\$207.73
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$30.45
100	CRAWFORD HANDI BUS	\$850.00
100	CRAWFORD PHARMACY	\$22.07
100	CRAWFORD RSVP	\$750.00
100	CRAWFORD SENIOR CITIZENS PROGRAM	\$900.00
100	KARL DAILEY	\$18.88
100	KARL J DAILEY, SHERIFF	\$1,967.00
100	DAWES COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY	\$1,000.00
100	DAWES COUNTY INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$14,409.72
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$554.50
100	DEPT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES	\$3,139.23
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$36.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$24.73
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$44.55
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$8,956.17
100	FLEET SERVICES/SHERIFF	\$291.21
100	GRANT-MILLER COMMUNICATIONS INC.	\$37.50
100	HOLIDAY INN	\$169.90
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY, INC	\$143.33
100	JAY KING	\$16.00
100	KOVARIK, ELLISON & MATHIS, P.C.	\$148.93

100	LOUP VALLEY LIGHTING INC	\$239.35
100	MCEWEN,ROBERT,F	\$415.00
100	NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	\$331.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$916.33
100	NEBRASKA NORTHWEST DEVELOPMENT CORP	\$3,125.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$2,330.84
100	NEBRASKA RETIREMENT SYSTEMS/NPERS	\$40.00
100	NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIP INC	\$215.00
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$62.91
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/PUBLIC DEFEND	\$84.87
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/TREASURER	\$177.84
100	NORM'S CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	\$77.16
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$28.16
100	PARK DIETZ & ASSOCIATES,INC	\$2,940.19
100	QWEST	\$1,446.69
100	QWEST	\$182.51
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL	\$179.84
100	REG I MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE	\$5,146.00
100	REG I OFFICE OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	\$1,916.25
100	REGION 23 EMERGENCY SERVICES	\$4,680.00
100	SCOTTS BLUFF CO DETENTION CENTER	\$510.00
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$80.00
100	SMITH,KING AND FREUDENBERG,PC	\$778.80
100	SOURCEGAS	\$61.65
100	THOMSON WEST PAYMENT CENTER	\$480.00
100	UNIVERSITY OF NE-LINCOLN CAR RENTAL	\$244.56
100	USDA,APHIS,WILDLIFE SERVICES	\$4,758.00
100	VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE	\$1,682.05
100	WAHLSTROM FORD INC	\$16,000.00
100	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$160.20
100	MICHELLE WHETHAM	\$14.84
200	ACCELERATED RECEIVABLES SOLUTIONS	\$243.38
200	AFLAC	\$186.20
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$785.77
200	ARMADILLO EQUIPMENT & PARTS,INC	\$629.64
200	BOB'S WELDING & REPAIR	\$121.80
200	CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES,INC	\$198.00
200	CAT FINANCIAL SERVICES/12H GRADER	\$1,500.00
200	DAWES COUNTY INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$1,301.88
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$92.50
200	DAWES COUNTY WEED	\$4,061.58
200	EAGLE CHEVROLET BUICK & PONTIAC	\$196.88
200	FARM PLAN	\$274.15
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$2,262.09
200	G&H DISTRIBUTING OF RAPID CITY, INC	\$309.42
200	HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	\$25.00
200	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$398.40
200	HOLIDAY INN	\$169.90
200	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY,INC	\$8.49
200	J & A TRAFFIC PRODUCTS	\$145.00
200	NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	\$163.75
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$453.29
200	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$162.00
200	QWEST	\$167.90

200	QWEST	\$17.46
200	SOURCEGAS	\$34.02
200	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$53.58
990	CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$3,750.00
990	LAMAR OUTDOOR ADVERTISING	\$340.00
990	NEBRASKA LIFE PUBLISHING, INC	\$490.00
990	NEBRASKA TRANSPORT CO,INC	\$237.77
990	RAPID CITY JOURNAL	\$655.35
1900	DAWES CO TREASURER/VETERANS AID	\$250.00
2910	ACTION COMMUNICATIONS INC	\$22.13
2910	BEST BUY BUSINESS ADVANTAGE ACCT	\$459.98
2910	QWEST	\$402.77
2910	TONY SERBOUSEK	\$150.00
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$149.00
5400	AFLAC	\$15.25
5400	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$61.67
5400	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$61.85
5400	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$89.20
5400	CHADRON EXPRESS LUBE	\$63.33
5400	DAWES COUNTY INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$60.69
5400	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$13.00
5400	EXPRESS AUTO SALVAGE	\$1,928.69
5400	FARM PLAN	\$14.87
5400	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$368.74
5400	HERITAGE SEED COMPANY, INC.	\$1,335.80
5400	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY,INC	\$21.72
5400	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$71.10
5400	NORM'S CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	\$37.26
5400	BECKY PAULSEN	\$43.01
5400	QUALITY TIRE	\$30.00
5400	SHELL FLEET PLUS/WEED	\$903.01
5400	STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$57.32

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