

CHADRON, NEBRASKA
December 26, 2017
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 26th day of December, 2017 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 Rivera. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk. 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 Johnson, seconded by Rivera, amending the Agenda to include a quarterly jail inspection. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2017 meeting with the following correction in wording to wit: the crusher is at Eleson pit and crews are stripping to prepare the pit. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed by the Board. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve all claims as submitted. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. There being no correspondence or Public Comment, Board reports were as follows: Rivera-No Report; Johnson-Commissioner Johnson informed those present a juvenile detention center was discussed amongst Panhandle Commissioners at the NACO Conference. If the project is pursued Dawes County's share would be approximately \$74,000.00 annually. He also reported he toured ACE Irrigation re: headwall on culvert on Lemmon Bridge. Stewart-No Report.

At 9:26 A.M. Jenny Nixon, UNL Extension, presented a letter with potential candidates who have expressed an interest in serving on the Extension Board. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to re-appoint Lori Oetken and appoint Kaci Swinney to the Extension Board for a term of three (3) years. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The next order of business was the joinder agreement with Madison Life to offer life insurance and long term disability to those employees not on Blue Cross, Blue Shield. The County will pay all premiums associated with this benefit. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, directed the Chairman of the Board to sign the joinder agreement with Madison Life. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board reviewed and approved by general consent monthly fee/mileage reports submitted by the various departments. The Board recessed at 9:42 A.M. to conduct a quarterly jail inspection. The Board reconvened to regular session at 10:01 A.M.

At 10:02 A.M. Larry Hankin, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Discussion ensued regarding going to bid re: Lemmon Road and two (2) projects on Egan Road. Mr. Hankin reported Scottsbluff County has accepted an alternative bid for the projects. The Lemmon Road project will take priority over the two (2) Egan Road projects. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to direct the Highway Superintendent to go to bid on the Lemmon Road and two Egan Road projects. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The gravel crushing bid was discussed. The bid would be for crushing asphalt at Hawthorne's and gravel at Brun's pit. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to direct the Highway Superintendent to go to bid for crushing asphalt and gravel. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The scheduling of a pre-meeting with area residents regarding the One & Six Year Road Plan was discussed. The pre-meeting will be scheduled the third (3rd) week in January 2018. Road Updates included the following to wit: All crews are blading, plowing snow and doing maintenance on equipment. District 1-repaired the auto gate at the intersection of Table and Bordeaux Roads; District 2-Dirt will be hauled to cover a water pipe on Country Club Road located north of Hudson's; District 3-crews removed a wood structure on Squaw Creek Road at Stetson's and installed a temporary 4' culvert which will be replaced this Spring. The Crusher is set up at Eleson's and the pit has been stripped. The last order of business before the Board was setting salaries of Elected Officials. Those present were Larry Hankin, Celeste Cattin and Shellie Decker. Commissioner Stewart indicated for the record he would like to see Elected Officials salaries set at \$46,000.00 and froze for four (4) years. Commissioner's Johnson and Rivera

recommended \$46,442.00 annually beginning January of 2019. This would equate to a total 4.5% increase for all four (4) years. Mr. Hankin discussed Highway Superintendents salaries across the State. He reminded the Board that bridge inspections are a part of his job and not paid out separately like done in other counties. He is the fourth lowest paid Highway Superintendent in the State. The Board will take this under consideration during budget negotiations. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to set Elected Official's salaries at \$46,442.00 beginning in January 2019 which equates to a total 4.5% increase over the course of four (4) years. Commissioners will remain at 50% of the Elected Officials for the next four years. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson and Rivera, Nays: Stewart. Motion carried. A salary resolution will be drafted and adopted at the January 09, 2018 Commissioner Meeting.

At 11:00 A.M there being no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be January 09, 2018 beginning at 9:00 A.M. with a Board of Equalization Meeting, followed by the Commissioner Meeting at approximately 9:20 A.M. Both meetings will be held in the former County Courtroom located in the basement of the Courthouse. A current agenda is available at the Clerk's Office during normal business hours but will close at 12:00 P.M., January 04, 2018.

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: _____
Cheryl Feist
Dawes County Clerk

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December 26, 2017 the following claims were audited, allowed and warrant orders drawn on the respective accounts: Key for claims: 100=General Fund; 200=Roads Fund; 650=Hwy Bridge Buyback Program Fund; 990=Visitor's Fund; 1100=Reappraisal Fund; 1150=Preservation & Modernization 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	\$931.85
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$9,043.78
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$598.95
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$33,853.99
100	JENNIFER BORIE	\$34.39
100	BRANDT COURT REPORTING	\$1,961.41
100	WESTON BURCH	\$12.63
100	CENTURYLINK	\$17.86
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-CLERK	\$12.00
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-CO ATTORNEY	\$19.51
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-COMMISSIONERS	\$4.97
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-COUNTY COURT	\$25.80
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-DISTRICT CT	\$22.02
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-EXTENSION	\$23.68
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-PUBLIC DEFEND	\$39.12
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-SHERIFF	\$42.97
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-TREASURER	\$24.49
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-WEED	\$4.97
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$21.19
100	CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$85.00
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$107.96
100	CRITES, SHAFFER, CONNEALY, WATSON, HARF	\$835.00
100	CULLIGAN-PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$21.50

100	D&S MARKET,LLC	\$1,608.37
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$296.04
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$457.00
100	ENGRAVERS	\$92.00
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$15,229.35
100	GRANT-MILLER COMMUNICATIONS,INC	\$38.75
100	LEAH GREMM	\$26.08
100	JESS TATE HAGMAN	\$32.53
100	RUSSELL W HARFORD	\$338.00
100	VANCE E HAUG	\$98.00
100	MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	\$75.88
100	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$45.00
100	MIPS INC	\$1,507.39
100	NE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	\$90.00
100	NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	\$105.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,559.47
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE/LEVY	\$25.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$230.57
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$201.71
100	NORTHWESTERN HEATING AND COOLING	\$107.00
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$341.93
100	PETERSEN DRUG	\$890.94
100	LOREN POURIER	\$14.24
100	PRIDE	\$50.00
100	TROY QUAY	\$75.00
100	QUILL CORPORATION	\$182.50
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$217.95
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/WEED	\$359.42
100	REGIONAL WEST PHYSICIANS CLINIC	\$500.00
100	VIC RIVERA	\$325.28
100	CASEY JOHN SCHUHMACHER	\$11.88
100	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$11.46
100	THIBAULT,SUHR, & THIBAULT,INC	\$213.51
100	UNIVERSITY OF NE-LINCOLN CAR RENTAL	\$247.67
100	MICHAEL T VARN,ATTORNEY AT LAW	\$751.52
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/SHERIFF	\$549.10
100	VETERANS INFORMATION SERVICES	\$25.00
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-WEED	\$99.49
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$252.15
100	WALMART COMMUNITY-VETERANS	\$91.19
100	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$462.50
100	WESTERN PATHOLOGY CONSULTANTS INC	\$2,000.00
100	DAN WORDEKEMPER	\$28.03
100	XEROX CORPORATION/E911	\$75.10
100	XEROX CORPORATION/VETERANS OFFICE	\$105.37
200	ACTION COMMUNICATIONS INC	\$3,736.14
200	AFLAC	\$270.58
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$1,118.24
200	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$428.08
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$2,097.45
200	BUD'S RADIATOR,INC	\$298.00

200	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-DIST #1 ROADS	\$26.96
200	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$125.00
200	CONTRACTORS MATERIALS	\$132.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$55.00
200	FASTENAL COMPANY	\$1,336.68
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$3,406.57
200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$399.17
200	MICHAEL TODD AND COMPANY,INC	\$1,523.90
200	MSC INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO.	\$39.21
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$568.95
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$125.78
200	NEBRASKA SAFETY CENTER @ UNK	\$195.00
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$147.26
200	ROCKY MOUNTAIN AIR SOLUTIONS	\$202.57
200	SCOTT ROBERTS ELECTRIC INC	\$73.84
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$112.09
200	WESTCO	\$17,531.37
990	AFLAC	\$15.47
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$66.96
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$88.17
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$219.11
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$40.18
1900	VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE	\$216.32
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$3.38
2910	CENTURYLINK	\$34.94
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$16.50
2910	INTRALINKS,INC	\$333.63
2910	NE EMERGENCY SERVICE COMM	\$15.00
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$3.35
2910	SLEUTH SOFTWARE	\$4,725.00
2910	USDA FOREST SERVICE	\$1,107.09
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$1,039.00
2913	CENTURYLINK	\$110.63