

CHADRON, NEBRASKA
March 26, 2019
DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:02 A.M. on the 26th day of March, 2019 pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Rivera. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney and Jerry Schumacher. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Lindy Coleman, Assessor, joined the meeting. 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 Stewart, approving the Agenda. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, approving the minutes of the March 12, 2019 meeting with the following correction to wit: The Board left executive session at 12:10 P.M. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, approving all claims with the exception of claim# 19030227 payable to River A Holdings in the total amount of \$11,439.80 and directing the Clerk to recode claim# 19030199 payable to Western Community Health Resources in the amount of \$665.00. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to pay claim #19030227 payable to River A Holdings in the total amount of \$11,439.80. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson and Stewart with Rivera abstaining from the vote. Nays: None. Motion carried. Public Comment ensued with Lindy Coleman, Assessor, presenting the Board with information received from DNR (Department of Natural Resources) re: reports of structural damages and an offer of assistance to the County. The Board directed Ms. Coleman to contact media sites to let the public know where to go to report structural damages from the recent storm. Jerry Schumacher informed the Board he appreciates what the Commissioners have addressed during the recent storm. He went on to inform the Board that Goffena Road has water across it and the red rock is gone. He indicated another culvert needs installed and the current culvert on Goffena Road is running water high. He then requested per the Open Meetings Act that a copy of all correspondence that will be addressed be available for the Public at each meeting. A letter received from Casey Schuhmacher was read aloud by Commissioner Stewart. The letter addressed the timeliness of declaring a disaster in Dawes County and flooding issues. Mr. Schuhmacher also supports evening meetings whereby individuals can come and address road concerns. He also suggested the Board look at publically interviewing candidates for the next Highway Superintendent. Kerri Rempp, The Chadron Record, joined the meeting in progress. Board reports ensued to wit: Johnson-the majority of his Boards didn't meet due to weather, however; Area Aging met in special session to approve the annual plan. Stewart-NNDC met, discussed real estate closure re: sale of property to Fuller Construction. SWANN-discussed storm issues, property assessments were done and mailed out to individuals. The Board encourages those with assessments to come in and pay them. NCAP-selected an Auditor for a five (5) year contract and the Headstart program has locked into a non-compete grant. Region 23-Emergency Declarations were discussed and prepared re: recent storm/flooding. Rivera-Region 1 met and discussed lowering asking price of an office building. The Board chose not to lower the asking price of the building they are selling. The 2019/2020 budget was adopted and policy updates were finished.

At 9:42 A.M. Karl Dailey, Sheriff and Steve Crile, Jail Administrator, met with the Board. Mr. Dailey asked if the Board has had time to think about the idea of holding female prisoners. Discussion ensued. Mr. Crile reported the two (2) female individuals previously interested in working for the Jail Facility has since moved onto other jobs. He reported Job Corp has agreed to any necessary modifications in the Jail Facility to enable holding of female prisoners. Mr. Crile indicated they will not move forward with hiring two (2) female prisoners until such time the Board approves the change in the Jail Facility. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to direct the Jail Facility to hire two (2) female Jailers to allow Dawes County Jail Facility to start holding female prisoners. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Don Mandelko joined the meeting. Road

Department issues were discussed. Mr. Mandelko reported after the water quits running on Mayflower Road south of Paul Mandelko's place, the road needs to be opened. He also reported a culvert needs installed on Mayflower Road and he would be willing to install it if needed. Larry Hankin, Interim Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting in progress. Mr. Mandelko asked Mr. Hankin what the Road Crew Members are doing. Mr. Hankin informed Mr. Mandelko crew members are patching holes. He also went on to inform those present the Roads Department is working to get main artery roads opened back up. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, authorizing the Interim Highway Superintendent to hire and/or do what's necessary to address current road issues due to flooding. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board appreciates the patience of area citizens in light of the recent storm and flooding. Crews are working on opening main artery roads. They also appreciate the work of the Interim Highway Superintendent and Crew Members.

At 10:18 A.M. Darrin Crowell, VSO, met with the Board. He informed the Board he wants to do away with the Administrative Assistant position in his budget. The current secretarial position will take on additional duties in the office and become Office Manager. A job description detailing responsibilities of the Office Manager was shared with the Board. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to accept and approve the Office Manager job description and create the Office Manager position. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Discussion then ensued regarding pay grade for this position. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to pay the Office Manager position \$15.25 per hour. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Dan Wordekemper joined the meeting. He presented a bid from Fuller Construction in the amount of \$656.00 to gravel the front area around the weed department building. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to authorize up to four (4) loads of crushed concrete to be hauled to the Weed Department shop. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:35 A.M. Jenny Nixon, UNL Extension and Tessa Reece, 4-H Assistant, met with the Board. Ms. Nixon indicated a new Board Member needs appointed to the Extension Board. Julie Downing has expressed an interest in serving on this Board. She has completed all the necessary paperwork and submitted it for review by the Commissioners for final approval. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to appoint Julie Downing to the Extension Board. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Ms. Nixon reported Leah Grimm has left employment with UNL and they are currently in the process of hiring a Learning Child Educator. Tessa Reece presented updates surrounding the 4-H program. As of today's date there is seventy-eight (78) area youth enrolled in 4-H programs. Nine (9) of those youth are new to the 4-H program. Her goal is to get 200 youth involved with 4-H. She's also been involved with the After School Program projects and the Connect the Dots program. Through the Connect the Dots program a career exploration day is scheduled for area students on April 16, 2019 from 8:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. A County Board Member was encouraged to attend the career exploration day as a Government representative. UNL resources available to assist individuals due to flooding was also shared with the Board.

At 10:45 A.M. Caleb Johnson met with the Board to discuss a budget proposal. He presented a brief overview of his qualifications. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart, moved to hire Caleb Johnson as Dawes County's Budget Coordinator pending approval of a letter of engagement. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. A Tourism Grant presented by Prehistoric Prairies Discovery Center in the amount of \$1500.00 was reviewed. Upon review, a motion was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, approving the Tourism Grant in the amount of \$1500.00 Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Monthly fee/mileage reports of the various departments were reviewed and approved by general consent of the Board.

At 11:15 A.M. the Board recessed to conduct a quarterly jail inspection. At 12:10 P.M. the Board reconvened to regular session.

At 12:11 P.M. there being no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be April 09, 2019 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 at the Courthouse. A

current agenda is available at the Clerk's Office during normal business hours but will close at 12:00 P.M., April 04, 2019. **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

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

March 26, 2019 the following claims were audited, allowed and warrant orders drawn on the respective accounts: Key for claims: 100=General Fund; 200=Roads Fund; 650=HwyBridgeBuyback 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	\$1,471.24
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$10,162.38
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$155.96
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-WEED	\$63.75
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$236.98
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$32,364.72
100	CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC	\$95.85
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-CLERK	\$12.82
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-CO ATTORNEY	\$20.59
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-COMMISSIONERS	\$5.34
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-COUNTY COURT	\$33.60
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-DISTRICT CT	\$23.73
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-E 911	\$5.34
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-EXTENSION	\$27.36
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-PUBLIC DEFEND	\$18.29
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-SHERIFF	\$37.62
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-TREASURER	\$27.39
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-WEED	\$5.34
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$4.94
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$687.88
100	CULLERS LAW OFFICE	\$1,932.00
100	CULLIGAN-ASSESSOR	\$56.00
100	CULLIGAN-CO ATTORNEY	\$22.00
100	CULLIGAN-DIST COURT	\$30.00
100	CULLIGAN-PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$22.00
100	D&S MARKET,LLC	\$2,937.73
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$296.04
100	DAWES COUNTY ASSESSOR	\$50.00

100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$612.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/VANCE HAUG	\$98.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/VETERANS	\$144.56
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$16,557.39
100	TIMOTHY FLICK	\$14.60
100	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$313.99
100	INTRALINKS,INC	\$111.24
100	KONE,INC	\$2,319.12
100	NE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	\$84.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,959.29
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$197.64
100	NOSSAMAN PETIT LAW FIRM,PC	\$851.55
100	PESTS GO	\$35.00
100	PETERSEN DRUG	\$160.09
100	QUILL CORPORATION	\$403.98
100	SCOTTS BLUFF CO DETENTION CENTER	\$7,405.00
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/SHERIFF	\$451.05
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-WEED	\$84.83
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$219.76
100	WALMART COMMUNITY-TREASURER	\$52.41
100	WALMART COMMUNITY-VETERANS	\$24.75
100	WESTERN CARTOGRAPHERS	\$246.00
100	WESTERN COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES	\$665.00
100	JON WORTHMAN LAW OFFICE	\$732.60
100	XEROX CORPORATION/E911	\$488.99
100	XEROX CORPORATION/TREASURER	\$122.80
100	XEROX CORPORATION/VETERANS OFFICE	\$123.98
200	AFLAC	\$331.40
200	JARROD ALLEN	\$1,604.48
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$1,394.17
200	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$1,494.19
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$2,156.07
200	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-DIST #1 ROADS	\$21.82
200	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$61.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$55.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$4,217.72
200	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	\$250.23
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$900.95
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS	\$402.70
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$124.37
200	NEWMAN SIGNS,INC	\$1,616.70

200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$15,127.51
200	NORTHERN TRUCK EQUIPMENT CORP	\$77.40
200	NORTHWEST AUTO BODY & PAINT	\$930.81
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$421.02
200	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$11,439.80
200	STAR-HERALD	\$599.67
200	JACOB STEWART	\$57.50
200	TITAN MACHINERY	\$41,330.00
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$109.91
200	WESTCO	\$2,374.20
990	AFLAC	\$39.78
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$70.33
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$98.11
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$200.77
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$41.94
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$8.78
995	MICHAEL KESSELRING	\$18.27
2500	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$3,474.61
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$3.38
2910	CENTURYLINK	\$60.83
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$14.26
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$3.31
2913	CENTURYLINK	\$259.33