

## CHADRON, NEBRASKA

July 14, 2020

### DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session, was commenced at the hour of 9:15 A.M. on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020 pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Vic Rivera. Board Members present were Jake Stewart and Webb Johnson. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk and Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney. Per LB 898, Commissioner Rivera announced the location of posted information concerning the Open Meetings Act. Copies of the Act are available upon request by anyone attending the meeting. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart, moved to approve the Agenda. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart, moved to approve the June 23, 2020 Commissioner's Meeting and June 29, 2020 Emergency Meeting minutes as published with the following corrections to wit re: June 23, 2020 meeting, the Inheritance Fund payback for Insurance premium to NIRMA total is \$102,205.00 with two (2) payments of \$51,102.50 scheduled and budget authority was granted from the Miscellaneous General Fund. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart, moved to approve all claims with the exception of claim# 20070073 in the total amount of \$282.48 payable to River A Holdings. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to pay claim#20070073 in the amount of \$282.48 payable to River A Holdings. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson and Stewart with Rivera abstaining from the vote. Nays: None. Motion carried. Stacy Swinney and Dan Wordekemper joined the meeting. Correspondences acknowledged by the Board included the NCAP Newsletter and the 2020 Community Wildfire Plan comment period.

At 9:20 A.M. Public Comment ensued Stacy Swinney commenting on all the work done on Deadhorse Road. He asked when gravel is scheduled on Deadhorse Road. Commissioner Stewart indicated next spring. He also expressed concern with the procedures being used in the VSO hiring process. Commissioner Stewart shared a thank you received from Deb Cottier relevant to the bench and tree installed in the Courtyard honoring Les Mann, former Chadron Record Editor.

At 9:50 A.M. Dan Wordekemper, Weed Superintendent, met with the Board. He presented a surplus request for the Boards review and approval. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve the surplus request of the Weed Department. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. One sealed bid was received in the amount of \$400.00 for equipment on surplus in the Weed Department. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to accept the sealed bid of \$400.00 for surplus weed equipment. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board recessed at 9:55 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 10:00 A.M.

At 10:00 A.M. The advertised public hearing scheduled to commence at 10:00 A.M. was declared open by the Board Chairman for public input. Also present was Jeff Kelley, PADD. Mr. Kelley will administer the repurposing of the CDBG funds. Commissioner Stewart read aloud the Notice of Public Hearing on repurposing of CDBG Program Income. Karen Eisenbarth joined the meeting in progress. Mr. Kelley reported no construction can begin until such time a letter of approval from the Department of Economic Development has been received by the County. The notice read aloud will become a permanent part of these minutes. Deb Cottier will continue to administer the remaining revolving loan portion originally set up until such time all loans have been paid back to the CDBG grant. There being no one from the Public present the Chairman declared the Public Hearing closed at 10:20 A.M. In other business the Board reviewed and approved by general consent monthly fee/mileage reports of the various departments. In other business Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, directed the Vice Chairman to prepare all documents relevant to COVID reimbursements. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to ratify the Vice Chairman's signature on the Cooperative Law Enforcement Agreement between the Dawes County Sheriff and Job Corp. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The 2020 Audit engagement letter was reviewed by the Board. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, directing the Chairman to sign the 2020 Audit engagement letter. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera,

Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board recessed at 10:26 A.M. to conduct a quarterly jail inspection. The Board reconvened to regular session at 10:45 A.M. Mark Magnuson, Jody Applegarth and Katie Schenbeck, HR Director joined the meeting.

At 10:46 A.M. Jody Applegarth met with the Board re: SWANN Assessment. He read aloud a letter. His recent tax payment was denied by the Treasurer's Office due to a SWANN Assessment. He wasn't aware there was a SWANN assessment against him. He feels the Treasurer's Office and SWANN were negligent in notifying him. He is concerned a sheriff's auction would leave him homeless. He has a vested interest in this area. Problems with SWANN begin in 2000 when he and his wife went "green". He also read aloud a paper entitled "New Policies" he feels the Board should implement. He also showed the Board two (2) manuals of correspondence he has kept since 2000. Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney, reported the principal amount due to SWANN is \$1470.85 for tax years 2010-2014. Mr. Edmund indicated for the record he would be willing to work with Mr. Applegarth to resolve the issue. Mr. Applegarth feels the Board should resolve the issue to avoid litigation. Discussion ensued. Dean and Margaret Applegarth briefly joined the meeting and indicated for the record the property on SWANN assessment is part of the Applegarth Family Trust.

At 11:10 A.M. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart, moved to enter executive session for legal matters. Roll call vote, Ayes; Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. At 11:30 A.M. a motion to reconvene to regular session with no action taken was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 11:31 A.M. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to enter executive session for legal matters. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. At 11:55 A.M. a motion to reconvene to regular session with no action taken was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 11:56 A.M. Darrell Marshall met with the Board. Also present was Alan Connell and Darrin Crowell, VSO. Mr. Marshall expressed concern with keeping the VSO position open until such time the current VSO sells his home. He went on to say he witnessed a candidate discussing the job opening. Mr. Crowell indicated for the record the reason the job was already advertised and applications taken was to eliminate any waiting periods. All present agreed the candidates selected for interviews are ready for the interview process. Alan Connell indicated its out in the community how many candidates' applications were received and how many will be interviewed. He reported HR should take over the process. Discussion ensued. Going forward the general consensus was to start the interview process with HR being on board.

At 12:16 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 July 28, 2020 beginning at 9:00 A.M. The meeting 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., July 23, 2020. **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. Also available during normal business hours are copies of any reports submitted by entities.**

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cheryl Feist  
Dawes County Clerk

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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**July 14, 2020 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	\$1,569.44
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$10,807.63
100	CHARLES ANDERSON	\$1,060.00
100	AV-TECH ELECTRONICS,INC	\$241.50
100	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$24.95
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-SHERIFF	\$627.42
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-WEED	\$246.19
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$125.67
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$34,599.06
100	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$404.00
100	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO	\$2,987.49
100	CELESTE CATTIN	\$38.70
100	CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC	\$120.57
100	CENTURYLINK	\$1,199.53
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$67.41
100	CHADRON GLASS & WINDOWS,INC	\$90.00
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$662.69
100	COLONIAL RESEARCH CHEMICAL	\$434.87
100	CONNECTING POINT	\$85.25
100	CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY	\$241.50
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$382.71
100	CULLIGAN-ASSESSOR	\$36.00
100	CULLIGAN-CO ATTORNEY	\$10.00
100	CULLIGAN-DIST COURT	\$18.00
100	CULLIGAN-SHERIFF	\$28.50
100	CULLIGAN-WEED	\$6.00
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$200.16
100	DATASPEC INC	\$898.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$682.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$10.00
100	SHELLIE DECKER	\$89.94
100	DOCU-SHRED LLC	\$100.00
100	DOLLAR GENERAL	\$25.15
100	DOUGLAS,KELLY,OSTDIEK,OSSIAN,BRODER	\$3,982.96
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	FIRE & ICE MECHANICAL	\$490.11
100	FIRST BANKCARD/EXTENSION	\$30.78
100	FIRST BANKCARD/HR DEPT	\$10.75
100	FIRST BANKCARD/PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$176.40
100	FIRST BANKCARD/WEED DEPT	\$39.86
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$19,666.11
100	GALLS	\$213.55

100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$367.09
100	HARRIS SALES COMPANY INC	\$80.05
100	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$1,148.45
100	INTRALINKS,INC	\$382.50
100	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-BUILDING	\$58.80
100	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-WEED	\$71.06
100	MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	\$81.30
100	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$449.98
100	MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	\$616.50
100	MIPS INC	\$3,354.78
100	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$253.66
100	MPH INDUSTRIES,INC	\$85.05
100	NE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	\$140.50
100	NE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER	\$150.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$2,521.01
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$32.50
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$96.62
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$2,302.64
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CO ATTORNEY	\$37.36
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/SHERIFF	\$81.99
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$210.22
100	NOSSAMAN PETIT LAW FIRM,PC	\$60.45
100	OFFICE DEPOT CREDIT PLAN	\$621.66
100	PARIS FISHER AUTO SALES	\$9,995.00
100	PETERSEN DRUG	\$41.39
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$554.80
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/DIST COURT	\$16.79
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/EXTENSION	\$67.94
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/TREASURER	\$766.50
100	RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEMS	\$81.17
100	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$282.48
100	SADDLE ROCK ONE STOP	\$560.74
100	MALYCHANH SAYALOUNE	\$77.21
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$5,579.40
100	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$164.84
100	SHANE TEICHMEIER	\$280.00
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$67.39
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/E911	\$188.98
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$232.12
100	WALMART COMMUNITY/ASSESSOR	\$10.88
100	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$462.50
200	AFLAC	\$385.27
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$1,276.37

200	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$348.00
200	BIERSCHBACH EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY,INC	\$366.06
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$1,187.62
200	BRAD'S TRUCK SERVICE	\$3,763.50
200	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$5,253.30
200	CENTURLINK	\$144.28
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$118.65
200	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$124.30
200	DALE'S TIRE AND RETREADING,INC	\$9,412.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$75.00
200	FIRST BANKCARD/LARRY HANKIN	\$0.96
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$3,863.76
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING,INC	\$53.50
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$6.99
200	INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE	\$83.51
200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$448.44
200	KAY-HUNTER RANCHES,LLC	\$19,880.00
200	KCSR-AM	\$165.00
200	LITTREL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	\$1,450.00
200	MATHESON LINWELD INC	\$38.49
200	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES,INC	\$110.00
200	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$38.18
200	MONTANA CSED SDU-WAGE WITHOLDING	\$171.87
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$853.34
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$102.82
200	NKC TIRE	\$216.94
200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$4,760.23
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$76.90
200	POWERPLAN	\$651.72
200	QUALITY TIRE	\$275.00
200	RON'S REPAIR SHOP	\$10.00
200	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$1,460.73
200	STATE OF NEBRASKA	\$2,764.00
200	STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$56.72
200	TOOF'S DIESEL REPAIR	\$13,082.73
200	VERIZON CONNECT NWF,INC-ROADS	\$194.28
200	VIAERO WIRELESS-ROADS	\$139.88
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$125.94
200	WESTCO	\$14,295.97
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$71.09
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$94.74
990	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$6.46
990	FIRST BANKCARD/TOURISM	\$215.84

990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$163.68
990	FORT ROBINSON CENTENNIAL,INC	\$1,414.65
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$36.56
990	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/TOURISM	\$16.99
990	NEBRASKA TRAVEL ASSOCIATION	\$150.00
990	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/VISITOR PROMO	\$10.37
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$9.32
995	EAGLE COMMUNICATIONS INC	\$87.50
995	POST PLAYHOUSE	\$30,000.00
2500	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$2,257.38
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$3.38
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$14.24
2910	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$195.00
2910	INTRALINKS,INC	\$475.00
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$3.33
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$999.00

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CHADRON, NEBRASKA

July 14, 2020

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Board of Equalization in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:04 A.M. on the 14th day of July, 2020 and published pursuant to public notice as required by law and or posted. The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Vic Rivera. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners Johnson and Stewart. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Lindy Coleman, Assessor; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney. 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 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 June 09, 2020 minutes as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. There being no tax corrections the County Assessor distributed valuation protest materials to Board Members to review prior to hearings which are scheduled to begin on July 20, 2020 at 342 Main Street in the Conference room.

There being no further business to be conducted by the Dawes County Board of Equalization, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:14 A.M. The next meeting will be held on August 11, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. A current Agenda to the Board of Equalization proceedings is kept on file in the County Clerk's office during normal business hours for inspection, but the Agenda will close by 12:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 06, 2020. The Agenda may be modified to include items of emergency nature. The meetings of the Dawes County Board of Equalization are open to the public. The meeting will be held in the former County Courtroom located in the basement of the Courthouse. Disclaimer: A complete text of all resolutions passed by the Board of Equalization is available upon request in the County Clerk's office during normal business hours.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CHERYL FEIST  
 DAWES COUNTY CLERK

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