

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

April 13, 2021

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 13th day of April, 2021 pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Jake Stewart. Board Members present were Vic Rivera and Levi Grant. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney; Doug Leeling and Luke Peebles, USDA APHIS. Per LB 898, Commissioner Stewart 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 Rivera, seconded by Grant, moved to approve the Agenda removing the appointment of Karl Dailey at 10:00 A.M. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Grant and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Grant, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the March 23, 2021 minutes as recorded with the following correction to wit: Local Emergency Planning Committee, not protection committee as recorded. Roll call vote, Ayes: Grant, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Grant, moved to approve all claims with the exception of claim #'s 21040065 in the amount of \$284.03 and #21040110 in the amount of \$3667.83 both payable to River A Holdings. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Grant. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Grant, seconded by Stewart, moved to pay claim #'s 21040065 in the amount of \$284.03 and #21040110 in the amount of \$3667.83 both payable to River A Holdings. Roll call vote, Ayes: Grant and Stewart with Rivera abstaining from the vote. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter from NIRMA. Luke Peebles informed the Board he has taken a position in Great Falls, MT. He thanked the Board for their support during his tenure in Dawes County. The Board wished him well in his new position. Road Updates ensued to wit: **District 2**-Commissioner Rivera presented a gravel contract with Chris Garrett and informed other Board members Mr. Garrett would like the area reseeded during the reclamation process. Shoulders are being pulled in District 2. Richard Anderson was hired in District 2 and will begin duties on April 19, 2021. **District 3**-Commissioner Grant reported he has visited with Steve Arner re: Arner Road; has a road closure request and North Whitney Lake Road will be temporarily closed to the Public. Doug Leeling spoke and expressed concern with all the individuals leaving the Roads Department, including himself. There needs to be something done about retention according to Leeling. Commissioner Stewart suggested he provide the County with an exit interview whereby he can relate these concerns and the Board will be able to follow-up. **District 1**-pulling shoulders the last three (3) weeks; Gary Bacon's last day with the Roads Department is April 15, 2021 and Redfern Road has a one (1) lane road over a box culvert. Commissioner Stewart also reported interviews will take place on April 27, 2021 in the afternoon for the Highway Superintendent position.

Brad Streeks approached the Board and presented bids for remodel of bathrooms at 250 Main Street and fertilization services for the courtyard. Two bids were received for the bathroom remodel to wit: Morford's Decorating-\$2800.00 and Reliable Painting-\$600.00. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Grant moved to direct Brad Streeks, Custodian, to pursue the remodel of bathrooms at 250 Main Street and the Board gave the go ahead on the fertilizer service. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Grant. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board recessed at 9:50 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 9:53 A.M. Commissioner Grant reported BO Auctions can do surplus auctions at a 15% fee and 10% buyers' fee. Discussion ensued but no action was taken by the Board. It was also noted that Big Iron and Purple Wave also provide auction services.

At 10:05 A.M. Rebecca Chasek, Public Defender and Katie Schenbeck, Administrative Assistant, met with the Board re: 2021-2022 budget. Rebecca Chasek reported a total of 2.8% increase in the budget which includes salaries, operating expense code updates, and an increase in office supply due to new printer, keyboards and a possible private server.

At 10:23 A.M. Dan Wordekemper, Weed Superintendent, met with the Board. He presented a job description for a Mower. Discussion ensued. The job will be posted. Also discussed was a Prairie Dog Resolution. Commissioner Rivera reminded those present this issue isn't going away. A policy is needed in Dawes County according to Rivera. He reported he has been in contact with Sheridan County and their

Prairie Dog policy is working well. Discussion ensued. The Prairie Dog resolution will be reviewed by the Dawes County Deputy County Attorney. No action was taken by the Board at this time.

At 10:30 A.M. Gary Bridges, VSO, met with the Board. He reported business has increased with January-March seeing transportation doubled. A permanent part-time Driver will need to be hired. The position would work 15 hours per week at \$12.00 per hour. The Board gave the ok to hire a permanent part-time driver. There are 519 active Veterans registered with the Veteran's Service Office in Chadron. Gary is working on completing his accreditation. April 26, 2021-April 30, 2021 the Veteran's Service Office will be closed so the VSO and Office Manager can attend continuing education classes.

At 11:00 A.M. The Chairman declared the Public Hearing open regarding policy updates for the General Assistance Program. Kami Wills, HR Director, went over the revised policies. At 11:14 A.M. there being no one from the public present for input, questions, etc. the Chairman declared the Public Hearing closed. The policy updates will be officially approved at the April 27, 2021 Commissioner meeting.

At 11:35 A.M. Sam Wellnitz, Treasurer, presented Resolution No. 2021-14 for the Boards approval. Commissioner Stewart read aloud Resolution No. 2021-14 establishing an accounting code to receipt in COVID American Rescue Plan Funds. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Grant, moved to adopt Resolution No. 2021-14. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Grant and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board recessed at 11:43 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 11:49 A.M. A motion to enter executive session at 11:50 A.M. for personnel with the State Auditor's Office was made by Commissioner Rivera and seconded by Commissioner Grant. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Grant and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. At 12:17 P.M. a motion to reconvene to regular session with no action taken during executive session was made by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. In other business the Board reviewed two (2) Travel Board Grants to wit: Classics in the Park in the amount of \$2243.00 and Ride the Ridge in the amount of \$928.00 to be held June 19, 2021. Commissioner Grant, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve both grants as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Grant. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board reviewed and approved by general consent all fee/mileage reports submitted by Officials. Resolution No. 2021-13 was introduced by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Grant, authorizing/acknowledging the Register of Deeds checking account with a \$100.00 balance and disbursement of copy fees to the Treasurer. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Grant and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. A communications surplus was reviewed by the Board. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Stewart, accepting the surplus request of Communications and recycling the equipment due to no use to Public. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart and Rivera, with Grant abstaining from the vote. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 12:21 P.M. there being no further business to come before the Board the Chairman adjourned the meeting. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be held on April 27, 2021 beginning at 9:00 A.M. The meeting will be held in the Commissioner room. The Agenda will close at noon on April 08, 2021. **All Resolutions adopted by the Dawes County Board of Commissioners are available for public inspection during normal business hours of the County Clerk's Office.**

ATTEST: _____
Cheryl Feist
Dawes County Clerk

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

April 13, 2021 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; 2501=CDGB Fund 2700=Inheritance Fund; 2910-911=Emergency Communications; 2913=Wireless Communications; 4600= Bond Payment Fund.

FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
100	AFLAC	\$1,596.96
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$11,057.57
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-SHERIFF	\$608.47
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-TREASURER	\$26.50
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$230.76
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$769.46
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$33,959.89
100	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$15.84
100	CARROT-TOP INDUSTRIES,INC	\$79.49
100	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO	\$4,401.90
100	CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC	\$137.91
100	CENTURYLINK	\$565.75
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$32.49
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$1,348.18
100	CHADRON MEDICAL CLINIC	\$447.00
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$492.82
100	ROBERTA COLEMAN	\$30.88
100	CONNECTING POINT	\$199.71
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$565.82
100	CRAWFORD COMPANION ANIMAL CLINIC	\$75.00
100	CULLIGAN-ASSESSOR	\$48.00
100	CULLIGAN-CO ATTORNEY	\$10.00
100	CULLIGAN-DIST COURT	\$24.00
100	DAWES COUNTY COURT	\$251.00
100	DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT	\$439.00
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$330.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$682.00
100	DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF	\$23.72
100	DOUGLAS,KELLY,OSTDIEK,OSSIAN,BRODER	\$384.00
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	A ELLIOTT LAW	\$1,080.00
100	FIRE & ICE MECHANICAL	\$446.24
100	FIRST BANKCARD/PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$280.86
100	FIRST BANKCARD/VETERANS	\$107.40
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$18,785.82
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$2,126.93
100	GREGORY'S INSURANCE INC	\$50.00

100	GWORKS	\$13,841.50
100	HARRIS SALES COMPANY INC	\$272.57
100	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$15.00
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY,INC	\$130.94
100	INTRALINKS,INC	\$495.43
100	VICTOR KING	\$1,120.00
100	KONE,INC	\$3,992.00
100	MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	\$70.46
100	MIPS INC	\$3,368.78
100	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$253.19
100	NEBRASKA COUNTY ASSESSOR'S ASSOC	\$50.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$2,509.44
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$30.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$235.84
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$1,796.65
100	NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIP INC	\$664.83
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$30.95
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/COUNTY COURT	\$56.97
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/DISTRICT CT	\$67.98
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/SHERIFF	\$281.18
100	OFFICE DEPOT CREDIT PLAN	\$80.15
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$230.00
100	PESTS GO	\$35.00
100	PLATTE COUNTY SHERIFF	\$6.59
100	QUADIENT LEASING USA,INC	\$1,650.00
100	QUILL CORPORATION	\$398.80
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$522.15
100	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$284.03
100	SADDLE ROCK ONE STOP	\$1,103.45
100	SECRETARY OF STATE/NOTARY DIVISION	\$30.00
100	SHERIDAN COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT	\$38.75
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$5,632.96
100	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$6.77
100	TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE	\$75.00
100	TWIN CITY ROOFING	\$392.85
100	UNIVERSITY OF NE-LINCOLN INTERNET	\$1,200.00
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$97.19
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$225.28
100	WALMART COMMUNITY-TREASURER	\$40.36
100	WALMART COMMUNITY-VETERANS	\$15.11
100	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$462.50
100	XEROX CORPORATION/VETERANS OFFICE	\$127.27

200	AFLAC	\$323.31
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$1,307.02
200	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$497.20
200	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$536.84
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$1,066.08
200	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$29.24
200	CENTURYLINK	\$32.26
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$120.45
200	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$103.10
200	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$118.80
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$75.00
200	FIRST BANKCARD/ROADS	\$195.24
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$3,975.00
200	FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER,INC	\$3,961.85
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING,INC	\$53.50
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$56.42
200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$303.62
200	KCSR-AM	\$275.00
200	LINWELD-RAPID CITY	\$39.22
200	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$38.18
200	MONTANA CSED SDU-WAGE WITHOLDING	\$165.00
200	MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT CO,INC	\$147,500.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$941.00
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$292.84
200	NEWMAN SIGNS,INC	\$250.01
200	NKC TIRE	\$137.00
200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$41,556.86
200	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$517.04
200	POWERPLAN	\$72.02
200	QUALITY TIRE	\$773.56
200	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$3,667.83
200	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$1,595.78
200	STATE OF NEBRASKA	\$645.00
200	TRANSOURCE TRUCK & EQUIPMENT,LLC	\$43.41
200	VIAERO WIRELESS-ROADS	\$144.72
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$111.10
200	WESTCO	\$5,950.06
200	21ST CENTURY EQUIPMENT	\$59.50
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$80.67
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$94.74
990	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$4.42
990	DAWES CO TREAS/TOURISM BENEFITS PAY	\$5,734.77

990	FIRESPRING PRINT INC	\$2,724.28
990	FIRST BANKCARD/TOURISM	\$160.36
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$166.03
990	KCSR-AM	\$600.00
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$37.94
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$9.32
995	CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$3,750.00
995	CRAWFORD AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$1,750.00
2500	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$5,652.94
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$3.38
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$14.14
2910	INTRALINKS,INC	\$62.50
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$3.33
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$890.00

- CHADRON, NEBRASKA
April 13, 2021
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 8:59 A.M. on the 13th day of April, 2021 and published pursuant to public notice as required by law and or posted. The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Jake Stewart. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners Rivera and Grant. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Cheryl Dunn, Deputy Assessor; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney and Doug Leeling. 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 Grant, seconded by Rivera, adding valuation protest dates and approving the Agenda. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Grant and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Grant approving the March 09, 2021 minutes as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Grant, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Deputy County Assessor presented tax correction #'s 5145-5150 for the Boards review and approval. After review of said tax correction Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Grant, moved to approve tax correction #'s 5145-5150 and directed the Chairman to sign such. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Grant. Nays: None. Motion carried. Board of Equalization Valuation Protest Hearing dates were discussed. Dates have been set for July 19-21, 2021. Sam Wellnitz, Treasurer, presented a vehicle exemption renewal for Camp Norwesca for two (2) vans. Commissioner Grant, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the vehicle exemption renewals for a Ford O-Line Econoline and Free star van. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Grant and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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 May 11, 2021 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, May 06, 2021. 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 Commissioners Room located in 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

**DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF
EQUALIZATION**
