

## CHADRON, NEBRASKA

August 24, 2021

### DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:00 A.M. on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 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; Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent; Wayne Fisher; Gary Fisher; Mark Betson and Tim Mashler. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Per LB 898, Commissioner Stewart announced posted information concerning the Open Meetings Act is located on the door in the Commissioner Room by the United States Flag. Copies of the Act are available upon request by anyone attending the meeting. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Grant approving the agenda noting the following changes to wit: 24- hour notice to add resolutions relevant to budget workshop and the Agricultural Society resolution/budget. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Grant and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Rivera to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2021 meeting with following correction to wit: UNL cannot increase payment for an Intern to 75% of the position as requested by the Board but will pay 57% of the Internship with Dawes County paying 43% of the Internship. Roll call vote, Ayes: Grant, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Rivera to approve all claims as presented with the exception of claim#'s 21080168 payable to River A Holdings in the total amount of \$46.99 and claim#21080203 payable to River A Holdings in the total amount of \$7,743.71. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Grant. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Grant, seconded by Stewart, moved to pay claim#'s 21080168 payable to River A Holdings in the total amount of \$46.99 and claim#21080203 payable to River A Holdings in the total amount of \$7,743.71. Roll call vote, Ayes: Grant and Stewart with Rivera abstaining from the vote. Nays: None. Motion carried. Public Comment ensued with Mark Betson reporting Dawes County has lost population. According to preliminary population numbers for Dawes County we stand at 8,357. He also reported the East side embankment of West Ash Bridge located on Belmont Road needs addressed. There being no correspondence Board reports ensued to wit: **Grant**-No report; **Rivera**-Region 1 cancelled meeting, no report for Panhandle Public Health. **Stewart**-NCAP the new board room is being finished up; Head Start is looking for kids and the program is ready to go. RFPs went out for a new Head Start vehicle and Wahlstrom Ford was awarded the bid; Region 23 will participate in a Communications Center meeting to be held on August 25, 2021 commencing at 10:00 A.M. in Crawford, NE. Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent, presented Road Updates to wit: **District 1**-grading, fixing blowouts and will start work on Ormehser Road. **District 2**-working on Squaw Mound Road, fixing blowouts and Pete Emerson has been at the Furman pit doing work. **District 3**-fixing blowouts, working on Haynes Road. Commissioner Grant indicated for the record that Haynes Road needs gravel as kids are traveling this road for school. In other business the Board and Highway Superintendent discussed salaries of the Construction Chief/Crusher Manager and District Crew Chiefs. Commissioner Grant asked Mr. Yada what his thoughts were re: salaries. Mr. Yada indicated he feels \$19.00 p/h across the Board for Construction Chief/Crusher Manager and District Crew Chiefs. Commissioner Rivera expressed concern with equal pay amongst the Construction Chief/Crusher Manager and District Crew Chiefs. He indicated for the record the Construction Chief/Crusher Manager has more responsibilities than District Crew Chiefs. The Budget will be reviewed today and a decision made re: salaries. The Board reviewed a surplus request of the County Attorney's Office for a Fellows Shredder that does not work. Commissioner Grant, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the surplus request of the County Attorney. Roll call vote, Ayes; Stewart, Rivera and Grant. Nays: None. Motion carried. The County Attorney's 2021 Inventory was reviewed by the Board. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Grant, moved to approve the 2021 Inventory of the County Attorney. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Grant and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. An addendum to the Crawford Law Enforcement Agreement was reviewed by the Board. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Grant, moved to approve Addendum #2 setting the amount needed at \$207,192.00 for fiscal year 2021-2022 for Crawford Law Enforcement services. Roll call vote, Ayes: Grant, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board reviewed and approved by general consent the monthly fee/mileage

reports of the various departments. A motion to enter executive session at 10:40 A.M. for performance evaluations was made by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Grant. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Grant. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Grant, seconded by Rivera, moved to reconvene to regular session with no action taken during executive session at 11:25 A.M. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Grant and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board recessed at 11:30 A.M.

At 12:05 P.M. the Board reconvened to regular session and roll was called. Present was Commissioners Stewart, Rivera and Grant. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk and Caleb Johnson, Budget Coordinator. Erin Kampbell, UNL Extension joined the meeting. The Board reviewed all budgets submitted by the various departments. The County Clerk was directed to contact DHHS at the State level to renew the MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) between the State and Dawes County re: rental fees for the Chadron DHHS office. Erin Kampbell left the meeting. The following resolutions were adopted by the Board relevant to budget to wit: Resolution No. 2021-20 introduced by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Rivera, approving the tax allocation requests of the Agricultural Society; Chadron Fire District and Crawford Fire District for budget year 2021-2022. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Grant. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2021-21 was introduced by Commissioner Grant, seconded by Rivera, authorizing Petty Cash Funds in the Clerk and County Court Offices. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Grant and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2021-22 introduced by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Grant, increasing restricted funds by 1% for fiscal year 2021-2022. Roll call vote, Ayes: Grant, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The 2020-2021 tax request for Dawes County was \$3,972,723.64 with the 2021-2022 tax request being \$3,972,112.80.

The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be held on September 14, 2021 beginning at 9:00 A.M. with a Board of Equalization meeting followed by the regular Commissioner meeting at approximately 9:20 A.M. Both meetings will be held in the Commissioner room. The agenda will close at noon on September 09, 2021. The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 6:30 P.M. **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**  
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**August 24, 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	ACTION COMMUNICATIONS INC/SHERIFF	\$2,078.46
100	AFLAC	\$1,640.65
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$10,083.88
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-WEED	\$516.37
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$30.25
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$38,814.89
100	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO	\$2,646.85
100	CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC	\$109.39
100	CENTURLINK LONG DIST-CLERK	\$14.43
100	CENTURLINK LONG DIST-TREASURER	\$31.28

100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-WEED	\$5.93
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$783.40
100	CHADRON PLUMBING,INC	\$190.00
100	CONNECTING POINT	\$242.21
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$35.00
100	CRITES,SHAFFER,CONNELY,WATSON,HARF	\$960.00
100	CULLERS LAW OFFICE	\$660.00
100	CULLIGAN-CO ATTORNEY	\$10.00
100	CULLIGAN-DIST COURT	\$18.00
100	CULLIGAN-HR	\$21.00
100	CULLIGAN-PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$22.00
100	CULLIGAN-WEED	\$50.00
100	WENDY C CUTTING	\$484.75
100	CVSOAN TREASURER	\$60.00
100	KARL DAILEY	\$122.50
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$296.04
100	DAWES COUNTY COURT	\$680.85
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$690.50
100	DEPT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES	\$3,629.60
100	DOUGLAS,KELLY,OSTDIEK,OSSIAN,BRODER	\$192.00
100	EAGLE CHEVROLET BUICK & PONTIAC	\$26.91
100	A ELLIOTT LAW	\$190.00
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$17,494.11
100	FNIC	\$50.00
100	GALLS	\$13.99
100	GARDNER,LOUTZENHISER & RYAN,PC	\$2,635.00
100	GWORKS	\$9,000.00
100	HARRIS SALES COMPANY INC	\$162.20
100	HI-TECH CAR CARE	\$80.76
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY,INC	\$130.94
100	INTRALINKS,INC	\$55.00
100	MENTAL HEALTH ALLIANCE	\$160.00
100	MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	\$681.00
100	MORRILL CO COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	\$144.00
100	NE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	\$93.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$2,306.11
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$2,550.30
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/PUBLIC DEFEND	\$24.88
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$203.94
100	PETERSEN DRUG	\$438.15
100	QUALITY TIRE	\$50.00
100	MARTHA QUAY	\$11.96

100	QUILL CORPORATION	\$123.95
100	REGIONAL WEST MEDICAL CENTER	\$2,074.25
100	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$46.99
100	SADDLE ROCK ONE STOP	\$1,282.53
100	SIMMONS OLSEN LAW FIRM,PC	\$2,812.50
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$5,807.68
100	SMITH,KING AND SIMMONS,PC	\$1,651.40
100	STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICES INC	\$294.00
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-WEED	\$81.26
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$243.74
100	WESTERN PATHOLOGY CONSULTANTS,PC	\$1,000.00
100	XEROX CORPORATION/E911	\$463.54
100	XEROX CORPORATION/SHERIFF	\$81.36
100	XEROX CORPORATION/TREASURER	\$133.11
100	XEROX CORPORATION/VETERANS OFFICE	\$133.82
200	AFLAC	\$444.40
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$1,109.73
200	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$2,250.00
200	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$33.78
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$1,451.72
200	BRAD'S TRUCK SERVICE	\$2,302.46
200	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-DIST #1 ROADS	\$5.93
200	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$165.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$75.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$2,924.19
200	INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE	\$951.50
200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$41.57
200	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES,INC	\$70.00
200	MONTANA CSED SDU-WAGE WITHOLDING	\$165.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$624.19
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$53.23
200	NKC TIRE	\$37.00
200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$6,228.35
200	NORTH AMERICAN TRUCK AND TRAILER,IN	\$752.11
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$97.46
200	QUALITY TIRE	\$942.00
200	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$7,743.71
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$132.54
200	WESTCO	\$11,888.20
200	TAYLOR WOHLERS	\$350.00
200	XEROX CORPORATION/ROADS	\$100.88
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$67.10

990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$97.89
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$144.12
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$30.95
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$9.78
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$3.38
2910	CENTURYLINK	\$32.74
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$14.13
2910	GWORKS	\$367.50
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$3.32
2913	CENTURYLINK	\$294.71
2913	GWORKS	\$3,307.50