

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

June 14, 2022

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:18 A.M. on the 14th day of June, 2022 pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Vic Rivera. Board Member present was Jake Stewart. Also present were Deb Lesmeister, Deputy Dawes County Clerk; Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent and Deputy County Attorney, Adam Edmund. Per LB 898, Commissioner Rivera announced posted information concerning the Open Meetings Act which is located on the Janitor's Door next to the American Flag. Copies of the Act are available upon request by anyone attending the meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Stewart, approving the agenda with the deletion of Trailer/Fork bids under items for the Roads Department. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the May 24, 2022 minutes with the following correction in regards to Region 23, it should have been Scott Ronkin, not Scott Konken. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed and motion by Commissioner Stewart to approve, seconded by Rivera. Roll call vote: Ayes: Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Additional comment by Commissioner Stewart was that there is a large amount of unpaid personal property that is delinquent and to contact the County Treasurer. Payroll and official's fee and mileage reports were reviewed and approved by general consent.

Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent met with the Board. He said grading is being done in all three districts and when moisture is received grading is a priority. In District #1 they are hauling rock on Beaver Valley Road, District #2 they are hauling rock on Hollibaugh Road and in District #3 they are hauling rock for Squaw Creek Road. He reported that the rock crusher has been very problematic and is broke down constantly. Murphy Tractor has acknowledged that it should have been gone through and serviced properly before it was delivered to Dawes County for use. Mr. Yada has been in contact with Mike Bateman, the salesman. Mr. Yada is also tracking hours, working and non-working for the rock crusher, which is sitting at the Goff pit. Trailer bids for the skid steer and lack of job applicants were also discussed. Mr. Yada left the meeting at 9:27 A.M.

Three tourism grants were reviewed. Crawford Senior Pro Rodeo for \$1,000.00, Chadron Chamber of Commerce for \$873.00 and Bands on Bordeaux for \$1,350.00. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera to approve the 3 grants as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Public Defender's Office submitted a request for permission to use a .gov email address. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera to approve the request. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rivera stated that he had attended a meeting held by Sioux County concerning USDA APHIS and Wildlife Services. He said that previously Sioux County and Dawes County were together in this program. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera to keep Dawes County and Sioux County together in this coverage. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Rivera signed the agreement on behalf of Dawes County.

Discussion was held on filling the position of Commissioner District #3. Mr. Edmund said the County Clerk, County Treasurer and the County Attorney will make the appointment of who will fulfill the term. They have 45 days by state statute to do so. The appointment will be made at a public meeting. Commissioner Rivera had a list of people who had expressed interest. Commissioner Rivera is to share the names he has and if anyone is interested in serving in this capacity they are to contact one of the three elected officials who will make the decision.

Jennifer Borie met with the Board to discuss the written HR proposal that was requested at the May 24, 2022 meeting. Discussion was held. The Commissioners had reviewed the proposal and questioned the pay structure for the services. The pay for this was structured as an amount for each pay period. Mr. Edmund said that due to employee classification this was not possible. However, there are four employees that are currently paid in this manner. It was stated that the Board can remove the

funding for employee wages at any time for budget purposes without notice. Commissioner Rivera stated “Let’s move on” and no action was taken.

Jean Andersen and Brittany Stetson with AFLAC met with the Board. They shared a handout that showed the tax benefit to the employer and also to the employee with using the AFLAC services. It is a supplement and at this time 57 Dawes County employees are participating. She explained the savings and also shared a free service of bill saver that is provided by AFLAC to all employees at no cost. They thanked to Board and exited the meeting.

Brad Streeks, Custodian met with the Board to go over sprinkler bids. He had only 1 bid from Down’s Services for expanding the sprinkler system on courthouse grounds but 2 different versions. This bid would service the southwest corner of the grounds from the small shed south and west and up to south paved parking area and outside the sidewalks at a cost of \$16,318.65 and the other version would be for \$10,541.18 with lesser area covered being inside the sidewalks. He also said that he had a bid from Chadron Glass for windows at 250 Main Street. Commissioner Stewart clarified that the window project at 250 Main would be ARPA funding. Commissioner Stewart made a motion, seconded by Rivera to receive the bids. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. These items may be reviewed and discussed at budget time.

Sam Wellnitz, Treasurer entered the meeting at 10:15 A.M. to discuss a previous county tax sale. The Treasurer’s deed on this property was done and had not gone into foreclosure status. It was stated that taxes must be collected but that interest in certain situations may be written off. He will confer with Mr. Edmund about this particular parcel.

Gary Bridges, VSO approached the Board at 10:25 A.M. with an appointment letter. The Veteran’s Board has made the recommendation that John Duecker will be the replacement for Darrel Marshall who passed away. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera to appoint John Duecker to the Veterans Board. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Kami Wills and Nancy Swanson of Mobius Communications met with the Board. They have a grant for \$10,000.00 that they request monies for that will bring fiber optic cable to Fort Robinson. Presently there is cable going to the golf course in Crawford. Ms. Swanson stated that the cost of cable is approximately \$25,000.00 per mile. The grant is due by July 1, 2022 and the project would not be done until summer of 2023. No decision was made.

The Board took a break at 10:40 A.M. and returned within 3 minutes.

A scheduled appointment for Dan Wordenkemper at 12:00 was not kept due to the meeting progressing quickly and Commissioner Stewart not being able to reach Dan to come earlier. The appointment was for the purpose of security fencing for the Weed shop. The Deputy Clerk was instructed to receive that information and forward it to the Commissioners. After the meeting had adjourned Mr. Wordenkemper came at 11:00 A.M. for his 12:00 P.M. appointment.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 A.M. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be held on June 28, 2022 beginning at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioner Room. The agenda will close at noon on June 23, 2022. **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: _____
Deb Lesmeister
Deputy Dawes County Clerk

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

June 14, 2022 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; 2910-911=Emergency Communications; 2913=Wireless Communications; 4600= Bond Payment Fund

FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
100	ACTION COMMUNICATIONS INC/SHERIFF	\$240.00

100	AFLAC	\$1,513.62
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$11,014.05
100	AT&T MOBILITY	\$398.51
100	BAUERKEMPER'S INC-WEED	\$115.90
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$251.45
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$35,309.25
100	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$887.14
100	CARROT-TOP INDUSTRIES,INC	\$280.34
100	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO	\$3,848.88
100	CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC	\$32.00
100	CENTURYLINK	\$529.59
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$156.24
100	CHADRON MEDICAL CLINIC	\$321.00
100	CHADRON MOTOR COMPANY	\$386.87
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$587.59
100	COAST TO COAST COMPUTER PRODUCTS	\$129.99
100	ROBERTA COLEMAN	\$60.03
100	CONNECTING POINT	\$236.22
100	CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY	\$206.79
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$568.53
100	CRITES,SHAFFER,CONNELY,WATSON,HARF	\$1,180.00
100	CULLERS LAW OFFICE	\$590.00
100	CULLIGAN-ASSESSOR	\$47.50
100	CULLIGAN-CO ATTORNEY	\$23.00
100	CULLIGAN-DIST COURT	\$19.50
100	CULLIGAN-HR	\$28.00
100	CULLIGAN-SHERIFF	\$138.00
100	DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT	\$233.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$628.00
100	DEPT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES	\$140.86
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	A ELLIOTT LAW	\$323.00
100	CHERYL FEIST	\$377.30
100	MICHAEL FELTON	\$525.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/CHERYL FEIST	\$48.47
100	FIRST BANKCARD/HR DEPT	\$106.41
100	FIRST BANKCARD/PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$378.02
100	FIRST BANKCARD/ROBERTA COLEMAN	\$289.11
100	FIRST BANKCARD/VETERANS	\$8.20
100	FIRST BANKCARD/WEED DEPT	\$164.72
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$18,634.56
100	FP MAILING SOLUTIONS	\$110.85

100	BRYAN GRANT	\$90.00
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$362.68
100	HARRIS SALES COMPANY INC	\$154.86
100	HENCEY PLUMBING & HYDRONICS,INC	\$138.65
100	INTRALINKS,INC	\$1,355.44
100	KCSR-AM	\$330.00
100	KONE,INC	\$2,636.28
100	MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	\$81.30
100	MIPS INC	\$3,857.52
100	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$214.10
100	NACEB	\$100.00
100	NACO	\$1,383.23
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$2,428.22
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$30.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$132.31
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$1,386.11
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CO ATTORNEY	\$471.88
100	NIRMA	\$103,976.00
100	NKC TIRE	\$966.04
100	NOSSAMAN PETIT LAW FIRM,PC	\$363.28
100	OFFICE DEPOT CREDIT PLAN	\$13.56
100	PETERSEN DRUG	\$46.83
100	POSTMASTER	\$100.00
100	RADIOLOGY IMAGING OF NEBRASKA,LLC	\$67.00
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/EXTENSION	\$113.64
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/WEBSITE	\$99.00
100	TESSA REECE	\$380.25
100	SADDLE ROCK ONE STOP	\$692.27
100	SHERIDAN COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT	\$32.70
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$5,643.36
100	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$18.86
100	TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE	\$75.00
100	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES,INC	\$898.00
100	UNIVERSITY OF NE-LINCOLN-WAGES EXT	\$10,214.02
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$98.33
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/E911	\$165.98
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$234.09
100	WAHLSTROM FORD INC	\$255.21
100	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$462.50
100	XEROX CORPORATION/E911	\$511.05
100	XEROX CORPORATION/SHERIFF	\$75.64
100	XEROX CORPORATION/TREASURER	\$262.39

100	XEROX CORPORATION/VETERANS OFFICE	\$269.58
200	AFLAC	\$415.27
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$1,334.82
200	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$248.39
200	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$39.30
200	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$389.25
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$1,226.02
200	CENTURYLINK	\$16.83
200	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$523.06
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$121.85
200	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$123.68
200	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$216.40
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$75.00
200	FIRST BANKCARD/ROADS	\$107.39
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$3,771.62
200	FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER,INC	\$141.66
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING,INC	\$53.50
200	HERITAGE SEED COMPANY, INC.	\$21.00
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$631.96
200	KCSR-AM	\$330.00
200	MATHESON LINWELD INC	\$39.22
200	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES,INC	\$6.25
200	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$152.15
200	MONTANA CSED SDU-WAGE WITHOLDING	\$165.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$865.80
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$99.72
200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$18,632.85
200	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$34.90
200	PHILLIPS F & T INC	\$2,090.50
200	POWERPLAN	\$1,775.60
200	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$1,382.32
200	STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$431.68
200	TRANSOURCE TRUCK & EQUIPMENT,LLC	\$151.24
200	VERIZON CONNECT NWF,INC-ROADS	\$194.28
200	VIAERO WIRELESS-ROADS	\$142.04
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$103.67
200	WESTCO	\$18,413.09
200	XEROX CORPORATION/ROADS	\$119.08
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$82.20
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$97.90
990	CHADRON CENTENNIAL INC	\$3,000.00
990	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$8.84

990	FIRST BANKCARD/TOURISM	\$562.98
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$169.57
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$36.40
990	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/VISITOR PROMO	\$11.40
990	KERRI REMPP	\$12.48
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$9.79
995	HOMESLICE MEDIA GROUP,LLC	\$3,444.90
2580	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$6.75
2580	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$22.56
2580	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$4.67
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$3.38
2910	CENTURYLINK	\$32.46
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$13.86
2910	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$157.50
2910	INTERSTATE ALL BATTERY CENTER	\$81.45
2910	INTRALINKS,INC	\$1,999.82
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$3.26
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$890.00
2913	CENTURYLINK	\$292.15

CHADRON, NEBRASKA
June 14, 2022
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 9:00 A.M. on the 14th day of June, 2022 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: Commissioner Rivera and Commissioner Jake Stewart. Also present was Deb Lesmeister, Deputy Dawes County Clerk; Lindy Coleman, Assessor; Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent and Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Per LB 898 the Vice Chairman announced the location of posted information concerning the Open Meetings Act. The poster can be found on the door next to the United States Flag. Copies of the Act are available upon request by anyone attending the meeting or requesting a copy. Commissioner Rivera expressed condolences on behalf of Dawes County to the family of Levi Grant who passed away and was Commissioner for District #3. Commission Stewart extended sympathy to Commissioner Vic Rivera and family as his mother recently passed away. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera to accept the agenda with the addition of an item dealing with the LB644 postcard information. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Stewart to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2022 meeting, seconded by Rivera. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Tax corrections #5190, 5191 and 5192 were presented by Assessor Lindy Coleman. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera to accept tax correction #5190-5192. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Discussion ensued on the LB644 postcards. They may be mailed to taxpayers to inform them if there is going to be an increase in the levy limit for certain entities. After discussion Lindy Coleman and Jake Stewart were in agreement to stay with MIPS for the printing of such postcards if the need arises.

There being no further business to be conducted by the Dawes County Board of Equalization, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:17 A.M. The next meeting will be held on July 12, 2022 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, July 07, 2022. 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: _____
DEB LESMEISTER
DEPUTY DAWES COUNTY CLERK

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF
EQUALIZATION
