

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

August 23, 2022

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:04 A.M. on the 23rd day of August, 2022 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 L. Johnson. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent; Deputy County Attorney, Adam Edmund; Caleb Johnson, Budget Coordinator and Mark Betson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. 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 Johnson, seconded by Stewart, approving the agenda and adding executive session per 24- hour notice re: legal matters. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart, moved to approve the August 09, 2022 minutes as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart, moved to pay all claims as submitted with the exception of claim #'s 22080160 in the amount of \$18.50 and 22080193 in the amount of \$1185.09 both payable to River A Holdings. Roll call vote: Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to pay River A Holdings a total of \$1203.59 re: claim #'s 22080160 & 22080193 respectively. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart and Johnson, with Rivera abstaining from the vote. Nays: None. Motion carried. Monthly fee/mileage reports of the various departments were reviewed and approved by general consent of the Board. There wasn't any correspondence for the Boards review. Public Comment ensued with Mark Betson questioning the number of miles maintained on county roads in Dawes County. Commissioner Stewart responded approximately 642 miles. Mr. Betson then asked how many miles would be graded/graveled this year. Mr. Yada responded approximately 30 miles. Mr. Betson asked how many employees the Roads Department has. Mr. Yada responded normally 16 employees. Board Reports ensued to wit: **Johnson:** Area Aging met with business as usual and are starting a new budget cycle and working on public relations; PADD didn't meet; OHD is working on pay plan and recruitment of new clients. Commissioner Johnson reported the Supreme Court Chief Justice visited the courts in Dawes County and liked the setup currently being used. **Stewart:** SWANN and Region 23 don't meet in August; NCAP is in full swing with Head Start open, the CEO search is down to Board offering the position to Brooke Smith contingent upon background check and regional office approval. Commissioner Stewart as Board President will meet with Auditors on August 24, 2022 re: NCAP's \$4,000,000.00 budget; NNDC will meet August 25, 2022 re: Audit; Communications will begin the process of forming a regional board which will take some time due to logistics involved. **Rivera:** Panhandle Public Health didn't meet; Region 1 met August 11, 2022 and ratified Agendas from the May & June meetings. In other business the Board briefly discussed the Opioid settlement.

At 9:34 A.M. Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Road updates included the following to wit: District 1-crews still building on Beaver Valley Road going east; District 2-crews finishing up on Hollibaugh Road, one of the trucks is down; District 3-crews working on roads due to rain received. The Crusher is up and running again, Murphy Tractor came out and repaired the Crusher. In other business the annual Highway Certification was presented for the Boards review and approval. Resolution No. 2022-12 was introduced by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, approving the annual certification and directing the Chairman to sign such. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. A petition request to trench in a water line under Four Mile Road, not Breakneck Road as stated on the agenda was reviewed by the Board. Discussion ensued with the Highway Superintendent. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve the petition request of Arden Van Beek to trench in a water line under Four Mile Road and direct the Chairman to sign such. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Highway Superintendent left the meeting. The 2022 Inventories of the Roads Department and Treasurer were reviewed. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve the inventories as presented.

Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. No action was taken on a resolution to transfer funds from Fund 2910 to Fund 2913.

At 10:00 A.M. Jenny Nixon, UNL Extension, Rob Eirich, Engagement Zone Coordinator and Soni Cochran, Extension Assistant, met with the Board. Jenny Nixon presented a flyer showing 4-H updates and informed the Board what a wonderful job Tessa Reece has done with the Dawes County 4-H program. She reported UNL froze wages for three (3) years but recently granted raises. The Extension budget will include the raise for Tessa Reece. Dawes County pays this full-time position through a contract with UNL. Internships will be paid for through Nebraska Extension this year. The Extension budget was briefly reviewed. In other business the Board reviewed an SDL request from Wild's Bar to host a wedding reception at the Cogdill Ranch on September 10, 2022. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart, moved to approve the SDL submitted by Wild's Bar. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:17 A.M. a motion to enter executive session regarding a legal matter was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. At 10:40 A.M. a motion to exit executive session with no action taken was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board recessed at 10:41 A.M.

At 1:04 P.M. the Board reconvened to regular session. Those present were Vic Rivera, Jake Stewart and Webb Johnson. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk, Caleb Johnson, Budget Coordinator and Marisa Beston, member of the public. 2022/2023 budgets were reviewed. Fund 651 Radio and Auto line items will be reduced and part paid for through ARPA funding. The motor grader line item in Roads was reduced to \$50,000.00 with \$270,000.00 of that expense being covered by ARPA funding. The semi-tractor line item was reduced to \$60,000.00. Other adjustments to various budgets were made throughout the meeting. Revenues were looked at and some adjustments were made based upon past performance. The Board recessed at 2:45 P.M. and reconvened to regular session at 2:55 P.M. The following resolutions were adopted to wit: Resolution No. 2022-13 was introduced by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart, increasing the restricted funds by 1%. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2022-14 was introduced by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, authorizing petty cash funds. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2022-15 was introduced by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, granting taxing authority to the Agricultural Society, Chadron and Crawford Fire Districts. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 P.M. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be held on September 13, 2022 beginning at 9:00 A.M. with the Commissioner Meeting followed by the Board of Equalization at approximately 9:20 A.M. Both meetings will be held in the Commissioner Room. The agenda will close at noon on September 08, 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: _____
Cheryl Feist
Dawes County Clerk

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

August 23, 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	AFFINITY THERAPY ASSOCIATES, LLC	\$375.00
100	AFLAC	\$1,713.41
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$10,810.92
100	AT&T MOBILITY	\$399.77
100	BAUERKEMPER'S INC-WEED	\$26.94
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-TREASURER	\$44.55
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$241.72
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-WEED	\$946.52
100	SHERRI BLOME	\$375.00
100	BLOOM	\$79.00
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$40,946.45
100	BOB BARKER COMPANY INC	\$122.70
100	BRANDT COURT REPORTING	\$2,921.50
100	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$203.97
100	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO	\$3,493.76
100	CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC	\$104.27
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$255.00
100	CONNECTING POINT	\$168.60
100	CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY	\$98.30
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$550.34
100	CRITES,SHAFFER,CONNEALY,WATSON,HARF	\$1,085.00
100	CULLERS LAW OFFICE	\$420.00
100	CULLIGAN-CO ATTORNEY	\$16.50
100	CULLIGAN-DIST COURT	\$13.00
100	CULLIGAN-HR	\$28.00
100	CULLIGAN-PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$23.00
100	CULLIGAN-SHERIFF	\$10.50
100	CULLIGAN-WEED	\$19.50
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$199.88
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$696.00
100	A ELLIOTT LAW	\$175.30
100	FIRST BANKCARD/E-911	\$71.03
100	FIRST BANKCARD/EXTENSION	\$214.07
100	FIRST BANKCARD/PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$131.70
100	FIRST BANKCARD/ROBERTA COLEMAN	\$44.70
100	FIRST BANKCARD/VETERANS	\$400.00
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$18,352.69
100	GRP & ASSOCIATES,INC	\$47.00
100	HARRIS SALES COMPANY INC	\$216.22
100	HI-TECH CAR CARE	\$117.28
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY,INC	\$140.99

100	INTRALINKS,INC	\$4,691.42
100	KCSR-AM	\$220.00
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES,LLC	\$14.51
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$22.36
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES,LLC	\$5.99
100	NE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	\$93.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$2,357.09
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$30.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$2,619.33
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$205.16
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$401.00
100	PESTS GO	\$35.00
100	PETERSEN DRUG	\$162.35
100	QUILL CORPORATION-COUNTY COURT	\$109.66
100	RAMADA INN-KEARNEY	\$231.00
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/EXTENSION	\$5.19
100	REGIONAL WEST MEDICAL CENTER	\$538.30
100	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$18.50
100	S&J IMPORT	\$261.49
100	SECRETARY OF STATE/NOTARY DIVISION	\$30.00
100	SIMMONS OLSEN LAW FIRM,PC	\$3,100.00
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$5,765.63
100	STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICES INC	\$825.00
100	VINTAGE MASONARY	\$5,932.00
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$253.32
100	XEROX CORPORATION/E911	\$505.21
100	XEROX CORPORATION/SHERIFF	\$75.64
100	XEROX CORPORATION/TREASURER	\$283.99
100	385 XPRESS LUBE	\$74.07
200	AFLAC	\$422.12
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$1,245.59
200	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$58.44
200	BEGUIN PROPANE	\$802.49
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$1,434.02
200	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$125.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$75.00
200	FIRST BANKCARD/ROADS	\$15.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$3,536.95
200	FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER,INC	\$11,323.13
200	GRIMM'S PUMP AND INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY	\$112.37
200	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$140.00
200	KCSR-AM	\$275.00

200	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$5.99
200	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES,INC	\$35.00
200	MONTANA CSED SDU-WAGE WITHOLDING	\$165.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$795.56
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$99.49
200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$9,479.75
200	NORTHWEST AUTO BODY & PAINT	\$347.18
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$79.03
200	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$1,185.09
200	STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$335.44
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$103.60
200	WESTCO	\$10,643.86
200	XEROX CORPORATION/ROADS	\$103.00
990	AFLAC	\$13.20
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$80.23
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$114.52
990	FIRST BANKCARD/TOURISM	\$333.37
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$156.76
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$32.88
990	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/VISITOR PROMO	\$12.44
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$9.78
2501	CONSTRUCTIVE PLAYTHINGS	\$21,380.00
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$3.38
2910	CENTURYLINK	\$58.66
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$13.81
2910	INTRALINKS,INC	\$368.33
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$3.25
2913	CENTURYLINK	\$250.06