

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, for their regular Business Meeting at the Courthouse in Red Cloud, Nebraska. The following Board Members were present for roll call: Dan Shipman (District One), Trevor Karr (District Two), TJ Vance (District 3), Tim Gilbert (District Four) and Gary Ratzlaff (District Five). The Board stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman, TJ Vance gave notice of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act Laws. Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Karr to approve minutes of the February 20, 2024 meeting. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Karr and Shipman. Abstaining: Gilbert. Nay or Absent: None. Motion was made by Karr, seconded by Ratzlaff to pay claims and payroll for the March 5, 2024 meeting. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 8:35am, Road Superintendent, Paul Stoner met with the board. Paul gave an update on the building structure in Inavale and projects they are working on.

At 9:00am, County Clerk, Abbey Harig presented roof proposals for the jail, Sheriff's office and the garage. After reviewing, a motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to accept cash bids for the jail and Sheriff's office and the bid for the garage. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr, and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 9:10am, Abbey then presented two resolutions. **Resolution 7-2024** to transfer \$177,431.54 from County General Fund (#100) to the County Road/Bridge Construction Fund (#800) as stated in the 2023-2024 Webster County Budget and **Resolution 8-2024** to transfer \$51,327.28 from County General Fund (#100) to the County Road/Bridge Fund (#300) as stated in the 2023-2024 Webster County Budget. A motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Gilbert to sign these resolutions. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 9:15am, Treasurer, Janet Knehans met with the board. A motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to go in CBOE. Janet presented Form 457, Application for Exemption for the Webster County Hospital. A motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to sign this. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried. A motion was then made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to go out of CBOE. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

Janet then presented a CD that was about to term with Cornerstone Bank. Janet presented options to reinvest this money. A motion was made by Gilbert, seconded by Shipman to reinvest this money for 6 months. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 9:20am, Noxious Weed Superintendent, Brian Pedersen met with the board to present his NDA evaluation. The board reviewed this.

At 9:25am, Abbey presented a general assistance application. The board reviewed and discussed this. A motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Ratzlaff to approve this. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried.

At 9:35am, Sheriff, Troy Schmitz met with the board to give updates on the new Sheriff's office. Troy went over plans and discussion was held on various parts of the building. The board decided to hold a special meeting, Friday, March 8, 2024 at 5:00pm.

At 10:20am, Assessor, Tami Scheuneman met with the board for a tax correction. A motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Gilbert to go back into CBOE. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried. Tami presented the tax corrections. A motion was made by Shipman, seconded by Karr to approve this. Voting in favor: Vance, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Karr and Shipman. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion carried. A motion was then made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Shipman to go out of CBOE.

At 10:25am, the board reviewed the District Court report and the Imprest Account. Abbey gave the board a brief overview of some of the findings from the Webster County Audit.

Total Wages - \$9576.38. **GENERAL FUND:** Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (Health)-\$214.09; AT&T Mobility (Phones)-\$518.58; At-Scene LLC (Software)-\$1130.00; Katie Bolte (Expense)-\$64.05; Business World Prod/Hastings (Supply)-\$35.22; Calkins Law Office (Contract)-\$250.00; Patrick Calkins (Expense)-\$98.00; Carpenter & Skalka Crt Reporting Inc (Misc)-\$78.75; CINTAS (Supply)-\$75.78; Clay County Sheriff's Dept (Housing)-\$65.00; S.S (Fica)-\$290.28; Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$489.90; First Concord Benefits (Buydown)-\$478.11; First National Bank Omaha (Supply)-\$375.27; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$1617.66; Hamilton Information Systems, Inc (Services)-\$845.10; Abbey Harig (Expense)-\$17.39; Elizabeth Janning (Expense)-\$148.74; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$587.85; Janet Knehans (Expense)-\$87.10; Lieske Law Firm (Counsel)-\$149.50; Madison National Life Ins Co, Inc (Life)-\$405.39; Meyer Laboratory, Inc (Supply)-\$295.00; Mips Inc (Fees)-\$2527.60; NE Assn of Co Ext Bds (Dues)-\$100.00; Nebraska State Patrol (Dues)-\$436.50; Alexa Pedersen (Expense)-\$71.96; Pierce Electronics (Supply)-\$1960.00; Point C Health (COBRA)-\$55.50; Red Cloud EMT's (Training)-\$533.50; City of Red Cloud (Utility)-\$1611.50; Sullivan Shoemaker P.C. L.L.O (Counsel)-\$1443.60; Superior Publishing Company Inc (Supply)-\$75.00; Theobald Law Office (Counsel)-\$3191.25; Thomas & Thomas Court Reporters LLC (Misc)-\$208.44; Thomson Reuters-West (Subscription)-\$192.11; UNL (Supply)-\$2795.02; Village Pharmacy (Supply)-\$58.96; Lindsay Waechter-Mead (Expense)-\$152.76; Web Co Clk of Dist Court (Fees)-\$47.47; Web Co Sheriff-Petty Cash Fund (Petty Cash)-\$109.10; Webster County Treasurer (Transfer)-\$51,327.28; Webster County Treasurer (Transfer)-\$177,431.54; Williams Exterminating, Inc (Pest Control)-\$88.00; Woodward's Disposal Service (Utility)-\$30.00. **ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:** City of Blue Hill (Utility)-\$146.23; Cencon of Kansas Utility Contractors (Supply)-\$1758.90; Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$13.99; First National Bank Omaha (Supply)-\$124.13; Fleetpride (Supply)-\$7.28; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$50.42; Linda Grummert (Prior Service)-\$57.00; Hometown Leasing (Lease)-\$89.86; Hometown Market (Supply)-\$7.79; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$2630.42; John Deere Financial (Supply)-\$708.72; Kully Pipe & Steel Supply)-\$19.72; LRNRD Rural Water Project (Utility)-\$26.40; Mips Inc (Fees)-\$112.25; Nebraska Machinery Company (Repairs)-\$945.63; Ben Pavelka Trucking, Inc (Repairs)-\$2153.85; R&M Disposal LLC (Utility)-\$63.00; Windstream (Phones)-\$88.70. **ROAD/BRIDGE CONST FUND:** L&M Contractors, Inc (Misc)-\$277,701.30. **MODERN RECORDS FUND:** Mips Inc (Fees)-\$143.61. **SELF-INSURED DENTAL FUND:** McCann-Carpenter Dental LLC (Dental)-\$236.20; RC Wilson & SA Wilson DDS, PC (Dental)-\$204.00. **BRIDGE BOND FUND:** Union Bank & Trust Company (Bond Payment)-\$213,086.63. **COUNTY BUILDING REMODELING FUND:** Farris Construction (Services)-\$58,300.00; Quad-C Consulting (Services)-\$900.00. **NOXIOUS WEED FUND:** NE Weed Control Assn/Region IV (Training)-\$150.00. **RC AMBULANCE SERVICE #1 FUND:** S.S. (Fica)-\$225.96; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$49.47; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$445.22; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc (Supply)-\$106.05; Metro-Billing Services (Services)-\$108.00. **BH AMBULANCE SERVICE #2 FUND:** Bound Tree Medical LLC (Supply)-\$231.96; CLIA Laboratory Program (Supply)-\$180.00; S.S. (Fica)-\$216.37; Metro-Billing Services (Services)-\$108.00.

Being no further business, Chairman TJ Vance adjourned the meeting at 10:30am. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 8:30am. A current agenda and complete minutes are on file in the County Clerk's Office and at www.co.webster.ne.us.

Dated this 5 day of March, 2024
Webster County Board of Commissioners

Abbey Harig
Webster County Clerk