

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

August 22, 2023

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session commenced at the hour of 9:00 A.M. on the 22nd day of August, 2023 pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Webb Johnson. Board Members present were Vic Rivera and Jake Stewart. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk, Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney and Justin Brown, Midpoint Solar. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Per LB 898, Commissioner Johnson announced the location of the Open Meetings Act located on the door by the United States Flag. Copies of the Act are available upon request. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the agenda noting the following correction to wit: Roger Suhr, not Robert Suhr. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Correspondence acknowledged by the Board included a letter from the Nebraska Crime Commission reporting the last Jail inspection was found to be in full compliance and a letter from NIRMA re: roof inspections. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Stewart, to approve the minutes of the August 08, 2023 as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson and Rivera with Stewart abstaining from the vote. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to pay all claims with the exception of claim #23080212 payable to River A Holdings in the total amount of \$45.00. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to pay claim #23080212 payable to River A Holdings in the total amount of \$45.00. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart and Johnson, with Rivera abstaining from the vote. Nays: None. Motion carried. There being no public comment, the Board reviewed and approved by general consent the monthly fee/mileage reports of the various departments. Board Reports ensued to wit: Rivera: Region 1 Behavioral Health met and working from home was discussed. Some counties previously on board have backed out. Commissioner Rivera reported there aren't enough Commissioners on board with him anymore. Stewart: NCAP is working on a change of scope for the Head Start program, preparing for review monitoring, construction is almost complete at the Head Start program and they are looking to fill one home visitor for the school year. Johnson: Aging Office met and it was business as usual, Hamilton and Associates are doing the audit for the Aging Office. The Senior Center in Harrison received damage from a recent storm. PADD didn't meet and OHD met with business as usual, client numbers are consistent and one client found a job

At 9:30 A.M. Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Road updates included the following: District 1 is grading and will start hauling rock to Stockade Road and East Dakota Junction project is done. District 2 washouts being filled in and rock is being hauled to Table Center Road. District 3 crews are working on Squaw Creek Road and a few blowouts are being fixed. Pete is installing culverts on East Dakota Junction and Lemmon Roads. He is also finishing up at the Bolek pit and work will be done on Horseshoe, Breakneck and Deadhorse Roads respectively. The Road No. 50 site line study required will be conducted by Baker and Associates. The study should be completed sometime next week. Water permits were approved by the State as well. In other business a motion was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, approving the State Print Shop for printing postcards relevant to LB 644. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. An appointment to the Area Aging Advisory Council was discussed. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to appoint Barb Richards to the Area Aging Advisory Council. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:00 A.M. per published notice the Chairman called the public hearing open regarding a conditional use permit submitted by Midpoint Solar to hear concerns, suggestions, etc. Jasmine Spencer-Brown presented the conditional use permit paperwork. Justin Brown, Midpoint Solar, reported the project will be a field of solar panels across areas in rural Dawes County. He also went over the terms of the conditional use permit with the Board. There being no one from the public present the Chairman closed the hearing at 10:10 A.M. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, approving the Conditional Use Permit request of Midpoint Solar and Hollibaugh's. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:10 A.M. Roger Suhr met with the Board. He reported this past early spring he visited with Commissioner Stewart and the Highway Superintendent regarding repairs on Davenport Road. At that

time, he was under the impression that repairs were scheduled for Davenport Road. Damage to the road was caused by Dawes County Road Crews in semi-tractors going down Davenport Road. There is no longer a base and it was impossible to pass without a 4-wheel drive this past Spring. He's paying premium taxes and deserves premium service according to Suhr. Road erosion is causing huge cracks in the road and he's concerned an accident will happen. He also reported he has issues with the maintainer grading the road. The Board thanked Mr. Suhr for coming in. In other business the Board preliminary started reviewing budgets. Restricted Funds were reviewed. Commissioner Stewart was temporarily excused from the meeting. The Board recessed at noon and reconvened at 1:00 P.M. Those present were Webb Johnson, Vic Rivera, Cheryl Feist and Caleb Johnson, Budget Coordinator. Review of restricted funds continued. The Board then began the process of going through individual budgets. Commissioner Stewart re-joined the meeting at 2:00 P.M. After several hours of budget reviews, the proposed tax increase will be \$109,100.00 with a proposed tax asking of \$4,183,048.82 and a new proposed levy of .376973. The regular budget hearing will take place on September 26, 2023. The following resolutions were adopted during the budget workshop to wit: Resolution No. 2023-21 was introduced by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, re: tax allocation to miscellaneous districts. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2023-22 was introduced by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, re: Allowable increase of restricted funds by 1%. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2023-23 was introduced by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Stewart, re: Authorization/Re-Authorization of Petty Cash Funds. 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 5:30 P.M.

The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be held on September 12, 2023 beginning with Board of Equalization Meeting at 9:00 A.M. and 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 07, 2023. **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 22, 2023 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	AFLAC	\$1,850.54
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$10,836.53
100	AT&T MOBILITY	\$399.14
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-EXTENSION	\$58.73
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-TREASURER	\$33.00
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$252.48
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-WEED	\$770.42
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$132.79
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$39,589.07
100	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$67.00
100	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO	\$1,819.37

100	CELESTE CATTIN	\$39.90
100	CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC	\$606.46
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$29.12
100	CHADRON MOTOR COMPANY	\$515.53
100	CHADRON VISION CENTER INC	\$224.00
100	CRITES,SHAFFER,CONNELLY,WATSON,HARF	\$1,110.00
100	CULLERS LAW OFFICE	\$1,290.00
100	CULLIGAN-ASSESSOR	\$54.00
100	CULLIGAN-CO ATTORNEY	\$16.50
100	CULLIGAN-DIST COURT	\$19.50
100	CULLIGAN-HR	\$21.50
100	CULLIGAN-PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$16.50
100	CULLIGAN-SHERIFF	\$6.50
100	CULLIGAN-WEED	\$13.00
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$748.00
100	DAWES CO TREAS/DELINQUENT PP TAXES	\$9.83
100	DAWES COUNTY COURT	\$1,154.00
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$34.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$392.00
100	EAGLE CHEVROLET BUICK & PONTIAC	\$26,660.00
100	AUDREY M LONG	\$814.00
100	EXPRESS BODY AND AUTO REPAIR INC	\$85.00
100	FIRE & ICE MECHANICAL	\$9,811.43
100	FIRST BANKCARD/EXTENSION	\$35.94
100	FIRST BANKCARD/VETERANS	\$764.99
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$18,791.26
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$2,049.86
100	GRP & ASSOCIATES,INC	\$91.00
100	HARRIS SALES COMPANY INC	\$197.91
100	HAUSER'S GRAB N GO LLC	\$932.88
100	HI-TECH CAR CARE	\$105.89
100	INTRALINKS,INC	\$3,349.50
100	LANCASTER COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT	\$6.69
100	JEFFREY LAWRENCE	\$47.83
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES,LLC	\$17.28
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$23.97
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES,LLC	\$5.82
100	MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	\$1,637.07
100	MIPS INC	\$56.25
100	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$218.79
100	NACO	\$300.00
100	NE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER	\$10.00

100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$2,546.64
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$2,130.49
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CO ATTORNEY	\$69.29
100	NORFOLK LODGE AND SUITES,LLC	\$98.00
100	ANDREW NORMAN	\$39.43
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$198.51
100	NOSSAMAN PETIT LAW FIRM,PC	\$5,707.27
100	PETERSEN DRUG	\$525.97
100	QUALITY TIRE	\$64.88
100	QUILL CORPORATION-COUNTY COURT	\$57.58
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/DIST COURT	\$130.00
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/EXTENSION	\$26.22
100	LARRY W RISING	\$41.79
100	RODAK LAW OFFICE	\$820.00
100	JOSEPH RUIZ	\$512.75
100	MALYCHANH SAYALOUNE	\$776.10
100	TRAVIS SCHIAFFO	\$175.00
100	SCOTTS BLUFF CO DETENTION CENTER	\$8,990.00
100	SERVICE MATTERS CLEANING	\$259.50
100	SIMMONS OLSEN LAW FIRM,PC	\$4,372.79
100	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$44.25
100	STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICES INC	\$500.00
100	TIMOTHY J TIDYMAN	\$10.35
100	ROSALENE B TOLLMAN	\$62.09
100	ANGELA TOOF	\$2,675.00
100	TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE	\$75.00
100	TREE DOC	\$1,575.00
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-WEED	\$82.52
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$276.83
100	XEROX CORPORATION/SHERIFF	\$75.64
100	XEROX CORPORATION/TREASURER	\$143.31
100	XEROX CORPORATION/VETERANS OFFICE	\$262.14
100	YELLOW ROBE CONSULTING INC	\$1,500.00
200	AFLAC	\$435.92
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$1,214.58
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$1,220.76
200	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$4,002.89
200	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$190.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$75.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$3,791.05
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING,INC	\$70.00

200	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$4,184.00
200	KCSR-AM	\$275.00
200	ROCKY LEMMON	\$60.00
200	MATHESON LINWELD INC	\$65.57
200	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$76.02
200	MONTANA CSED SDU-WAGE WITHOLDING	\$165.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$873.87
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$55.95
200	NKC TIRE	\$777.10
200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$9,216.07
200	NORTHWEST AUTO BODY & PAINT	\$3,022.20
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$109.99
200	PHILLIPS F & T INC	\$3,679.25
200	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$45.00
200	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$1,165.19
200	VERIZON CONNECT NWF,INC-ROADS	\$388.56
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$74.45
200	WESTCO	\$17,809.38
200	XEROX CORPORATION/ROADS	\$96.24
990	AFLAC	\$33.38
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$83.11
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$119.07
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$159.60
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$33.37
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$10.08
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$4.50
2910	CENTURYLINK	\$66.20
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$18.59
2910	INTRALINKS,INC	\$137.50
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$4.42
2913	CENTURYLINK	\$234.70