

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

July 23, 2024

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session commenced at the hour of 9:02 A.M. on the 23rd day of July, 2024 pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Webb Johnson. Board Members present was Jake Stewart and Vic Rivera. Also, present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk and Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney. 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 addition of a job description for the Predator Control position with 24-hour notice. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The minutes of the July 09, 2024 Commissioner meeting were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Stewart to approve the minutes as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve all claims with the exception of claim #24070202 payable to River A Holdings in the total amount of \$320.95. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve claim #24070202 payable to River A Holdings in the total amount of \$320.95. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart and Johnson with Rivera abstaining from the vote. Correspondence acknowledged by the Board included a newsletter from NCAP and notice of update to the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Monthly fee/mileage reports of the various departments were approved by general consent of the board.

At 9:30 A.M. Public Comment was opened by the Board Chairman. No one from the public was present. The Board ensued with Board reports to wit: **Rivera-SWANN** met July 11, 2024. Budgets were reviewed, insurance was renewed through LARM at five percent (5%) discount. Resolution No. 2024-05 was adopted removing assessments, the rest of the meeting was business as usual. **Stewart-NCAP** met, RFPs were sent out regarding new structure for the Alliance HeadStart program. The CEO's annual performance evaluation was conducted. They are gearing up for school to start. NNDC met and went over loans, it was noted that CDBG funds have been spent out and returned to Dawes County. Rob Bila was elected to serve on the NNDC Board. Region 23 met and went over fire/rescue calls conducted in four (4) counties. **Johnson**-The majority of his boards didn't meet due to property valuation protest hearings. He did receive an email from Bryan Venable, PADD. There wasn't any report from Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent. In other business the Board reviewed the audit engagement letter. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to accept the letter of engagement for the 2024 audit at a cost of \$18,000.00. and directing the Chairman to sign such. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Two (2) Visitor Promotion Grants were reviewed to wit: Chadron Chamber in the amount of \$316.94 and Crawford Area Fund in the amount of \$838.00. Upon review, Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve both grants as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The next order of business was the Predator Control Interlocal Agreement between Dawes and Sioux counties for predator control services. Upon more review and discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, to move forward with the Interlocal Agreement between Dawes and Sioux counties, the job description and directing the Chairman to sign such. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Clerk was instructed to have the Roads Secretary publish notice of an opening for Predator Control position. The Board recessed at 9:47 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 10:05 A.M. The 10:00 A.M. appointment didn't show. Discussion ensued regarding a road name change request. The Board reiterated the fact that the fire department has the current address. As no one appeared to brief the board about the road name change no action was taken by the Board.

At 10:15 A.M. Gregg Mooney, NACO, introduced himself to the Board. He is a benefits committee member. He explained how NACO came up with a sixteen (16) tier premium package which resulted in lower fees for Dawes County this year. He will be taking over the Ogallala office. April Grant joined the meeting. The Board recessed at 10:24 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 10:26 A.M.

At 10:27 A.M. Chris Dean, April Grant, Sheriff Jeff Johns and Chief Deputy Lee Sayaloune joined the meeting. Discussion ensued regarding Crawford Law Enforcement. Commissioner Rivera indicated he called this discussion because both sides have been lacking on responsibilities relevant to the contract. He suggested the contract be redone. The original contract called for quarterly meetings and to date not one has been held according to Rivera. April Grant indicated for the record that some council members weren't privy to the meeting held with the mayor. She is all for revisiting the Crawford Law Enforcement Agreement. Adam Edmund, Deputy Attorney, indicated this is a beneficial agreement and needs to remain in place. Commissioner Rivera thanked the Sheriff's Department for their presence at the Crawford 4th of July festivities. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Stewart, moved to enter executive session to discuss personnel at 10:36 A.M. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. At 11:30 A.M. a motion to reconvene to regular session with no action taken during executive session was made by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Rivera. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 11:31 A.M. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be held on August 13, 2024 beginning at 9:00 A.M. with a Board of Equalization meeting, followed by the Commissioner meeting at approximately 9:20 A.M. Both meetings will be held in the Commissioner Room. The agenda will close at noon on August 08, 2024. **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

Webb L. Johnson, Chairman

July 23, 2024 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	\$ 2,042.48
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 13,332.75
100	CHARLES ANDERSON	\$ 307.80
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-TREASURER	\$ 38.26
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$ 211.20
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-WEED	\$ 297.08
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-250 MAIN ST	\$ 107.37
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-342 MAIN ST	\$ 56.30
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-451 MAIN ST	\$ 42.93
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 39,763.06
100	JENNIFER BORIE	\$ 41.80
100	BRANDT COURT REPORTING	\$ 257.15
100	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$ 323.48
100	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO	\$ 2,933.54
100	CELESTE CATTIN	\$ 39.58

100	CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC	\$ 454.99
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$ 620.54
100	CRITES,SHAFFER,CONNELY,WATSON,HARF	\$ 3,165.00
100	CULLERS LAW OFFICE	\$ 1,070.00
100	CULLIGAN-CO ATTORNEY	\$ 16.95
100	CULLIGAN-DIST COURT	\$ 20.85
100	CULLIGAN-PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$ 16.95
100	CVSOAN TREASURER	\$ 60.00
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$ 748.00
100	DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT	\$ 299.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 467.00
100	DOUGLAS,KELLY,OSTDIEK,OSSIAN,BRODER	\$ 2,110.00
100	EAKES,INC	\$ 581.25
100	AUDREY M LONG	\$ 687.00
100	EMBASSY SUITES LINCOLN	\$ 321.00
100	FIRE & ICE MECHANICAL	\$ 293.78
100	FIRST BANKCARD/DISTRICT COURT	\$ 184.79
100	FIRST BANKCARD/PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$ 394.16
100	FIRST BANKCARD/VANCE HAUG	\$ 195.57
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 23,459.01
100	FNIC	\$ 50.00
100	JANICE GERMAN	\$ 15.00
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 229.04
100	GRP & ASSOCIATES,INC	\$ 48.00
100	HARRIS SALES COMPANY INC	\$ 389.99
100	HAUSER'S GRAB N GO LLC	\$ 842.32
100	ANDRE HENLEY	\$ 400.00
100	INTRALINKS,INC	\$ 588.40
100	KCSR-AM	\$ 110.00
100	LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	\$ 5,390.00
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$ 24.08
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES,LLC	\$ 6.09
100	NE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	\$ 90.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 3,349.88
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$ 1,909.10
100	CANDACE NOLLETTE	\$ 15.00
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$ 196.82
100	PENNINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$ 60.00
100	PESTS GO	\$ 120.00
100	PIP MARKETING, SIGNS AND PRINT	\$ 142.96
100	QUALITY TIRE	\$ 760.84
100	REGIONAL WEST MEDICAL CENTER	\$ 2,025.05

100	MALYCHANH SAYALOUNE	\$ 219.24
100	SCOTT ROBERTS ELECTRIC INC	\$ 193.37
100	SIMMONS OLSEN LAW FIRM,PC	\$ 2,525.00
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$ 5,828.80
100	ST. LOUIS COUNTY SHERIFF	\$ 65.00
100	STOCKMEN'S DRUG	\$ 68.18
100	THOMSON WEST PAYMENT CENTER	\$ 1,876.00
100	TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE	\$ 75.00
100	UNITED STATES TREASURY	\$ 3,022.52
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-WEED	\$ 82.39
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 266.96
100	WESTERN PATHOLOGY CONSULTANTS INC	\$ 1,325.00
100	WESTFIELD PHARMACY INC	\$ 143.25
100	XEROX CORPORATION/SHERIFF	\$ 75.64
100	YELLOW ROBE CONSULTING INC	\$ 1,500.00
200	AFLAC	\$ 506.23
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 1,408.55
200	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$ 348.94
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 1,327.40
200	BUETTNER CONSTRUCTION	\$ 5,480.00
200	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$ 125.00
200	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$ 46.61
200	CONTRACTORS MATERIALS	\$ 655.10
200	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$ 11.90
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 75.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 4,081.89
200	FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER,INC	\$ 581.26
200	FRANK PARTS COMPANY	\$ 64.99
200	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$ 4,099.00
200	KCSR-AM	\$ 75.00
200	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$ 6.09
200	MONTANA CSED SDU-WAGE WITHOLDING	\$ 165.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 906.69
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$ 44.55
200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$ 14,192.93
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$ 118.49
200	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$ 320.95
200	VERIZON CONNECT NWF,INC-ROADS	\$ 194.28
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 96.87
200	WESTCO	\$ 18,352.28
200	XEROX CORPORATION/ROADS	\$ 123.93

990	AFLAC	\$ 33.38
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 91.20
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 111.26
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 188.78
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 39.88
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 10.08
2500	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$ 1,458.24
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 4.50
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 18.10
2910	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 157.50
2910	INTRALINKS,INC	\$ 156.99
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 4.15