

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

November 26, 2024

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session commenced at the hour of 9:07 A.M. on the 26th day of November, 2024 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; Walter Juhlin, Commissioner Elect Sam Wellnitz, Treasurer. 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. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the agenda adding discussion of NPERS make-up contributions/personnel, Pledge of Allegiance, 24-hour notice email received regarding Crawford Fire Hall letter and CDBG re-use funding. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Minutes of the November 12, 2024 Commissioner Meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the minutes noting the following correction to wit: 13,095 hours, not 13,095 miles as recorded. 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#'s 24110215 in the amount of \$103.33 and 24110248 in the amount of \$7676.28 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 \$7779.61. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart and Johnson, with Rivera abstaining from the vote. Nays: None. Motion carried. Representatives of Murphy Tractor joined the meeting. Monthly fee/mileage reports of the various departments were approved by general consent of the Board. There being no one for Public Comment, Board reports ensued to wit: **Rivera**-Panhandle Public Health met, bids were discussed. Kim Engel is retiring and Jessica Davies will assume Kim's responsibilities. Region 1 met with business as usual, the audit came back and was good. SWANN met, claims and budget were reviewed, a presentation via zoom regarding their audit was conducted, Winter hours start December 1st and run through April 1st. Individuals can check their website for new hours. A baler report was shared and its 60% built. **Stewart**-Safety Committee met, no recommendations for Board. NNDC met with a presentation by Golden Shovel re: redesign of websites. LB840 funding paid for website upgrades. Commissioner elect Walter Juhlin asked if there is any CDBG re-use funding left as the Crawford Fire Hall is looking to install an electronic sign. Commissioner Stewart indicated they would need to look at other funding sources for the sign project. Commissioner Stewart will look into a grant through Region 23 for the signage. NCAP met, they went through commercial appraisals on all NCAP buildings and the Head Start grant has started. Region 23 discussed a new CD at Homestead Bank for a better rate and discussed area fires in all four counties. **Johnson**-Area Aging met, audit in progress, discussed ARPA funding and will not meet in December. PADD was business as usual and OHD-went over audit which was good, group home has four (4) people living in it. No alarm system was a huge concern so the Board awarded OHD the funds to install an alarm system.

At 9:36 A.M. Road updates included all Districts are grading as allowed. Rock is being hauled on West Ash Creek and River roads. The Stumph pit will be finished up on reclaiming. Mr. Yada presented a bid from Murphy Tractor to do repairs on a 1998 JD Motor Grader. The estimate came in high at \$68,000.00 but could end up costing less. They won't know what all they are getting into regarding repairs until such time they can get into the transmission to find out what all is needed in repairs. This is the only back-up blade the County has. Timeframe will be a couple of weeks for the repairs. Mr. Bateman of Murphy Tractor presented several different bids for a new motor grader. NMC will also submit bids. No action was taken by the Board at this time. Jeff Johns, Sheriff and Clint Bruhn joined the meeting. Commissioner Rivera discussed Road 50 obstruction. He visited with County Attorney, Vance Haug, who recommended the County file a contempt of court complaint. He asked for input from Board members. Discussion relevant to the obstruction will be addressed at the December 10, 2024 Commissioner meeting. At 10:04 A.M. a motion to enter executive session re: NPERS contribution payback and personnel was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. At 10:13 A.M. a motion to reconvene to regular session

with no action taken was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. A county vehicle purchase was discussed. Commissioner Stewart indicated for the record he will be trading in the 2011 Ford Explorer on another vehicle. To date, he has found one (1) vehicle he is looking at. The vehicle in question is a 2015 Ford Expedition with 30,000 miles. No action was taken until such time Commissioner Stewart has the opportunity to look at other vehicles. The Safe room project for the Assessor's Office was discussed. Chadron Glass has the windows in for the project and Dierksen Enterprises will begin work on the safe room December 09, 2024. Most of the work will be done after hours and on weekends. The Board recessed at 10:21 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 10:28 A.M.

At 10:30 A.M. the Chairman declared the Public Hearing regarding CDBG re-use funding for Crawford Fire Hall to hear support, opposition, etc. regarding Crawford Fire Hall's request for additional CDBG re-use funding. In an email received, Commissioner Stewart reported they are requesting additional CDBG re-use funding to complete the Fire Hall project. To date, PADD has paid \$74,256.00, Crawford Fire Hall has paid \$37,128.00 with a balance of \$46,835.00 needed to complete the project. Discussion ensued. At 10:36 A.M. a motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Stewart. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Stewart, moved to award Crawford Fire Hall \$46,835.00 for their approved CDBG re-use funding project through PADD. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 10:07 A.M. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be held on December 10, 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 December 05, 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

November 26, 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	\$ 2,009.85
100	ALLIANCE FAMILY DENTAL LLC	\$ 305.00
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 12,587.80
100	AT&T MOBILITY	\$ 451.80
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-PREDATOR CONTROL	\$ 211.37
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$ 243.89
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-WEED	\$ 47.15
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-250 MAIN ST	\$ 58.96
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-342 MAIN ST	\$ 41.87
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-451 MAIN ST	\$ 42.77
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 40,363.46

100	JENNIFER BORIE	\$ 196.10
100	ROBERT M BRENNER LAW OFFICE	\$ 3,760.00
100	MANDY BRICE	\$ 97.50
100	BRUCE BUMP	\$ 190.01
100	CAPITAL ONE NA	\$ 57.06
100	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO	\$ 3,299.40
100	CASPER MEDICAL IMAGING PC	\$ 1,436.46
100	CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC	\$ 94.57
100	CENTURYLINK	\$ 508.07
100	CERNY'S BODY SHOP	\$ 463.83
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$ 246.85
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$ 234.00
100	CHADRON GLASS & WINDOWS,INC	\$ 50.00
100	CHADRON MOTOR COMPANY	\$ 548.32
100	CHARM-TEX INC	\$ 891.02
100	ARON CHRISMAN	\$ 27.35
100	CLINICAL LABORATORY OF BLACK HILLS	\$ 2,339.00
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$ 1,276.20
100	CRITES,SHAFFER,CONNEALY,WATSON,HARF	\$ 1,630.00
100	CULLERS LAW OFFICE	\$ 770.00
100	CULLIGAN-PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$ 10.00
100	CVSOAN TREASURER	\$ 100.00
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$ 748.00
100	DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT	\$ 184.00
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$ 94.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 467.00
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 21,137.72
100	FNIC	\$ 50.00
100	JANICE GERMAN	\$ 97.50
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 2,553.81
100	HARRIS SALES COMPANY INC	\$ 235.71
100	HAUSER'S GRAB N GO LLC	\$ 833.29
100	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE-PREDATOR	\$ 50.47
100	ROBERT A JORDAN	\$ 20.00
100	KCSR-AM	\$ 440.00
100	PHILLIP LEWIS	\$ 25.02
100	LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	\$ 7,220.00
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$ 25.77
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES,LLC	\$ 6.15
100	LYNN PEAVY COMPANY	\$ 265.77
100	MICROTEL INN & SUITES OF KEARNEY	\$ 428.00

100	MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	\$ 1,678.60
100	NACO	\$ 160.00
100	NE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	\$ 93.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 2,998.84
100	NEBRASKA SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION	\$ 119.00
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$ 49.48
100	CANDACE NOLLETTE	\$ 97.50
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$ 197.63
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$ 247.45
100	PESTS GO	\$ 35.00
100	MARTHA QUAY	\$ 90.58
100	QUILL CORPORATION-COUNTY COURT	\$ 118.74
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/WEED	\$ 289.00
100	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$ 103.33
100	JESSICA M SANFORD	\$ 97.50
100	MALYCHANH SAYALOUNE	\$ 137.98
100	SIMMONS OLSEN LAW FIRM,PC	\$ 2,525.00
100	TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE	\$ 75.00
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-PREDATOR CONTROL	\$ 206.12
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-WEED	\$ 82.32
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 279.30
100	SAM WELLNITZ	\$ 40.20
100	WESTCO	\$ 24.00
100	WYOMING FIRST AID & SAFETY SUPPLY	\$ 220.03
100	XEROX CORPORATION/SHERIFF	\$ 75.64
200	AFLAC	\$ 506.23
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 1,281.59
200	BEGUIN PROPANE	\$ 333.92
200	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-ROADS	\$ 556.02
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 1,272.82
200	CENTURYLINK	\$ 27.12
200	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$ 155.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 75.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 3,422.14
200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$ 418.69
200	KAISER TIRE MOBILE SERVICE	\$ 284.50
200	KAISER TIRE,LLC	\$ 650.00
200	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$ 6.15
200	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES,INC	\$ 35.00
200	MONTANA CSED SDU-WAGE WITHOLDING	\$ 165.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 754.59

200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$ 49.60
200	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/ROADS	\$ 463.80
200	NKC TIRE	\$ 26.99
200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$ 36,811.82
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$ 111.40
200	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$ 7,676.28
200	STACY SWINNEY	\$ 3,137.59
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 90.70
200	WESTCO	\$ 20,634.29
990	AFLAC	\$ 33.38
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 81.09
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 111.26
990	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$ 9.44
990	CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$ 80.75
990	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$ 4.76
990	DAWES CO TREAS/TOURISM BENEFITS PAY	\$ 6,783.09
990	FIRST BANKCARD/TOURISM	\$ 139.25
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 150.16
990	FUR TRADE DAYS,INC	\$ 4,000.00
990	KCSR-AM	\$ 385.00
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 29.35
990	PLACER LABS INC	\$ 4,250.00
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 10.08
995	HOMESLICE MEDIA GROUP,LLC	\$ 2,938.18
1150	BEAR GRAPHICS,INC	\$ 358.89
2501	DANIELSON CONSTRUCTION	\$ 74,256.00
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 4.50
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 18.10
2910	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 213.38
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 4.15