

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

February 25, 2025

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 25th day of February, 2025 pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Vic Rivera. Board Members present were Walter Juhlin and Jake Stewart. Also, present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent; Clifford Stehle, Mr. & Mrs. John Mai; Terry Curtiss, Atty; Ben Schuckman; Nelson Stephens; Sam Wellnitz, Treasurer; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney. Joining the meeting later were Josi Anthony and Amy Patra, Atty. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Per LB 898, Commissioner Rivera 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 Juhlin, moved to approve the agenda. Roll call vote, Ayes: Juhlin, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Minutes of the February 11, 2025 Commissioner Meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Juhlin, moved to approve the minutes as published with the following corrections to wit: the motion approving the petition request of Charlie Littrel to remove an overhead structure was seconded by Commissioner Stewart and roll was called, add the word he and Agricultural Board wasn't interested in parking lot with cement, not camping spots as recorded. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Juhlin. Nays: None. Motion carried. Monthly fee/mileage reports of the various departments were approved by general consent of the Board. Claims were reviewed. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Juhlin, moved to approve all claims as submitted. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Juhlin and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Juhlin, moved to pay all claims with the exception of claim #25020201 payable to River A Holdings in the total amount of \$295.45. Roll call vote, Ayes: Juhlin, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Juhlin, moved to pay claim#25020201 to River A Holdings in the total amount of \$295.45. Roll call vote, Ayes: Juhlin and Stewart with Rivera abstaining from the vote. Nays: None. Motion carried. Monthly fee/mileage reports of the various departments were approved by general consent of the board. There wasn't any correspondence to be acknowledge by the Board. Josi Anthony joined the meeting in progress.

Public Comment ensued with Terry Curtiss, Atty, who represents John Mai. He presented a survey of the county right-of-way on Road No. 50 and discussed the section line. Amy Patra, Atty, joined the meeting in progress. John Mai spoke and reported the overlay on the current document shared with the board is over ten (10) years old. He informed the board he plans to build a fence line in the right-of-way after the structure is removed to keep cattle off the road. He also reported someone did some hand excavating in the right-of-way and he would like to know who did this. Ben Schuckman indicated there are two (2) different reference points. The Bosse section line isn't recognized by the courts. Amy Patra, Atty, representing the Schuckman's would like the opportunity to go review documents surrounding the Road No. 50 case to provide a legal opinion to her clients. Terry Curtiss indicated for the record the section line was corrected with survey done by Bosse. The 1863 actual survey marker was found by Donald Brush, Surveyor. The courts acted on an erroneous survey according to Curtiss. Mr. Mai indicated the county has never maintained Road No. 50 and if the county is so concerned with safety, why is there a cottonwood tree in the right-of-way? Mr. Mai also asked about a turn around on a dead-end road. Deputy County Attorney, Adam Edmund, indicated this is an on-going discussion and will continue. Mr. Schuckman and Mr. Mai will discuss a turn around.

Board Reports ensued to wit: **Stewart**-NW Community Action met; they are still in the process of dealing with grant close offs from the Federal Government. The finance committee

oversees eighteen (18) Federal Grants. **Juhlin**-PADD met with business as usual. Area Aging met and are looking at a shortfall in finances; they don't want to close any facilities. **Rivera**-Region 1 Behavioral Health met, they appointed a Regional Administrator and physical Director. They elected officers and business as usual.

At 9:30 A.M. Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent, reported all districts are grading roads. Commissioner Stewart reported a portion of Slim Buttes Road is in bad shape. Pete is getting pits ready for the crusher. Mr. Yada presented a quote received from Coatings Co. Inc. in the amount of \$114,400.00 to seal cracks on Airport, Table Center, Dunlap and Country Club roads. Mr. Yada is going to work with the city of Chadron on the crack sealing project to save some money. He informed the board his equipment repair/labor line items are running out of budget authority. Quotes to transport the crusher/stacker were reviewed. Quotes presented ran \$45000.00; \$9000.72 and \$8,000.00 respectively. Raises for roads employees will be given to all road department employees. The Board recessed at 9:54 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 10:00 A.M.

At 10:00 A.M. Caleb Johnson, Budget Coordinator, met with the Board. He reported LB 34 will have an effect on budgets. There are two (2) Legislative bills that will affect LB 34 and they are LB's 220/260 respectively. The Inheritance Fund is also before the Legislature again. Mr. Johnson will send out 2025/2026 budget worksheets in April.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 10:21 A.M. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be held on March 11, 2025 beginning at 9:00 A.M. with a Board of Equalization meeting, followed by the Commissioner meeting. Both meetings will be held in the Commissioner Room. The agenda will close at noon on March 06, 2025. **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

Vic Rivera

February 25, 2025 the following claims were audited, allowed and warrant orders drawn on their 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	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 12,372.54
100	AT&T MOBILITY	\$ 545.73
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-TREASURER	\$ 29.40
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-WEED	\$ 83.80
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-WEED	\$ 180.85
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-250 MAIN ST	\$ 568.91

100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-342 MAIN ST	\$ 380.27
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-451 MAIN ST	\$ 46.53
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 41,869.39
100	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO	\$ 3,085.71
100	CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC	\$ 419.40
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$ 117.00
100	ROBERTA COLEMAN	\$ 20.00
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$ 709.24
100	CRITES,SHAFFER,CONNEALY,WATSON,HARF	\$ 1,960.00
100	CULLIGAN-CO ATTORNEY	\$ 23.90
100	CULLIGAN-DIST COURT	\$ 34.75
100	CULLIGAN-SHERIFF	\$ 20.85
100	CULLIGAN-WEED	\$ 6.95
100	DANIELSON CONSTRUCTION	\$ 600.00
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$ 748.00
100	DAWES CO TREAS/NPERS PAY BACK 651	\$ 56.38
100	DAWES COUNTY COURT	\$ 685.00
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF MISC	\$ 10.00
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$ 14.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 467.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER/TITLES	\$ 10.00
100	DOUGLAS,KELLY,OSTDIEK,OSSIAN,BRODER	\$ 2,180.00
100	DRIVERS LICENSE GUIDE CO	\$ 33.95
100	EAKES,INC	\$ 57.80
100	FIRE & ICE MECHANICAL	\$ 80.00
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 20,856.99
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 2,353.04
100	HARRIS SALES COMPANY INC	\$ 243.55
100	HAUSER'S GRAB N GO LLC	\$ 560.53
100	HOLIDAY INN-KEARNEY	\$ 419.85
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY,INC	\$ 174.60
100	INTRALINKS,INC	\$ 936.96
100	LA SIGN & SCREEN PRINTING	\$ 70.00
100	LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	\$ 1,925.00
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$ 22.57
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES,LLC	\$ 6.17
100	LISA MERRITT	\$ 43.32
100	NE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	\$ 93.00
100	NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	\$ 105.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 2,811.77
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$ 1,637.69

100	NEBRASKA WEED CONTROL ASSOCIATION	\$ 150.00
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$ 221.37
100	NOSSAMAN PETIT LAW FIRM,PC	\$ 4,106.25
100	PESTS GO	\$ 35.00
100	QUILL CORPORATION-COUNTY COURT	\$ 195.98
100	QUILL CORPORATION-DISTRICT COURT	\$ 159.14
100	MALYCHANH SAYALOUNE	\$ 441.47
100	KATHLEEN SCHENBECK	\$ 18.50
100	SCOTT ROBERTS ELECTRIC INC	\$ 22.20
100	STUDIO 308 LLC	\$ 75.00
100	TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE	\$ 75.00
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-PREDATOR CONTROL	\$ 82.31
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-WEED	\$ 82.28
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 275.60
100	WAHLSTROM FORD INC	\$ 2,450.00
100	WYOMING FIRST AID & SAFETY SUPPLY	\$ 111.00
100	XEROX CORPORATION/SHERIFF	\$ 75.64
100	XEROX CORPORATION/VETERANS OFFICE	\$ 138.67
200	AFLAC	\$ 506.23
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 1,220.92
200	BEGUIN PROPANE	\$ 1,488.20
200	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-ROADS	\$ 1,952.97
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 1,381.01
200	BRAD'S TRUCK SERVICE	\$ 17,483.35
200	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$ 43.23
200	DAKOTA BATTERY & ELECTRIC	\$ 693.18
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 75.00
200	EAGLE CHEVROLET BUICK & PONTIAC	\$ 762.21
200	EDDIE'S TRUCK CENTER	\$ 105.74
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 3,106.21
200	FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER,INC	\$ 2,159.36
200	GODFREY BRAKE SERVICE & SUPPLY, INC	\$ 61.78
200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$ 680.85
200	KAISER TIRE,LLC	\$ 682.00
200	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$ 6.17
200	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES,INC	\$ 5.00
200	MONTANA CSED SDU-WAGE WITHOLDING	\$ 165.00
200	MSC INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO	\$ 185.04
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 658.92
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$ 114.71
200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$ 2,283.72

200	NORTHERN TRUCK EQUIPMENT CORP	\$ 1,349.10
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$ 599.49
200	PHILLIPS F & T INC	\$ 9,823.11
200	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$ 295.45
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 100.78
990	AFLAC	\$ 33.38
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 78.88
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 111.26
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 140.00
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 25.09
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 10.08
2500	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$ 2,778.04
2585	WAHLSTROM FORD INC	\$ 26,050.00
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 4.50
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 18.17
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 3.84
2913	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	\$ 21,840.00