

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

May 28, 2024

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session commenced at the hour of 9:03 A.M. on the 28th day of May, 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 Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent. 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 as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Stewart, seconded by Rivera to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2024 meeting. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Stewart, to approve all claims as submitted. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Stewart indicated for the record that insurance won't cover the roof due to age of roof. The Board will have the maintenance supervisor begin quarterly checks of the roof. Monthly fee/mileage reports of the various departments were approved by general consent of the Board. Public Comment ensued with Robert Wolvington informing the Board the auto gate on the East end of Table Road needs repair work. Ruts in the road making it difficult to move cattle. Table Rock will get rock this year. Board Reports ensued to wit: **Rivera**-Panhandle Public Health met May 09, 2024. The Director's evaluation was conducted as she is leaving her position. Insurance and renovation of the Hemingford office were also discussed. Region 1 met and discussed policy changes; the rest of the meeting was business as usual. SWANN met and approved the 24-25 budget along with bond agreements. Insurance of the party responsible for throwing away three (3) oxygen bottles causing damage to the building and an individual will cover the damages sustained. Rates are going to increase to pay for the new baler. **Stewart**-NCAP met and worked on personnel policy updates. Region 23 adopted the 24/25 budget and evaluation done on the Executive Director. NNDC met, business as usual. **Johnson**-Crawford Senior Citizens Board met, business as usual, meal count staying the same. Area Aging met in their new building with business as usual. PADD reviewed an audit proposal and ultimately went with CORE. OHD met, the State has eliminated the waiting list for services and the Executive Director's evaluation is coming up.

At 9:30 A.M. A petition request to install a gas line to 92 Mann Road by Black Hills Energy was reviewed by the Board. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the petition request of Black Hills Energy. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Possible closure of North Shore Road was discussed amongst board members and the Highway Superintendent. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to direct the Highway Superintendent to start process to close North Shore Road. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Road updates included the following to wit: District 1 working on Airport Road, hauling gravel which will go to the Airport and blading. District 2 working on Table Road, fixing bad spots in road and blading. District 3 blading all week, started work on a Squaw Creek working on drainage issues and building the intersection up. Pete will be working on a wooden structure located on East Bethel Road. In other business a surplus request was presented to the Board for review and approval. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the surplus request of the Roads Department as submitted and instructed the Highway Superintendent to advertise for those items that can be sold. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board recessed at 9:50 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 9:53 A.M.

At 10:00 A.M. Don Fryda, Gale Henry, JW Geiser, Sioux County Commissioner and Cliff Stehle joined the meeting. Discussion ensued amongst those present and the Board regarding the APHIS contract for predator control. A county program through inter-local agreement was discussed. Use of the Federal plane and a pilot was discussed at length. Tim Brewer, Gordon Trapper, joined the meeting. Other items of discussion included obtaining a vehicle, four-wheeler and supplies if an inter-local agreement is reached for predator control services. Many items need to be considered and looked into before any decision is made. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to appoint Webb Johnson as

representative for Dawes County regarding predator control services and to work with Sioux County. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. No action was taken on the AHPIS contract at this time. A.M. Mark Klemke, Mobius Communications presented a petition request to install fiber optic lines to the radar site located in Section's 20, 21 Township 30 Range 51 located on East Belmont Road. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the petition request of Mobius Communications and directing the Chairman to sign such. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:34 A.M. The Chairman declared the Public Hearing open regarding repurposing of CDBG funds. Also present was Bryan Venable, PADD Executive Director. The Chairman asked Mr. Venable to explain the purpose of said hearing. Mr. Venable indicated for the record the ED RLF will be discontinued, ceasing all current activities. The ED RLF's current program guidelines will still apply to existing projects and loans. Dawes County will re-purpose all program income in the ED RLF towards other qualifying CDBG activities. All program income funds remaining (if any) after the re-purpose project activities would be returned to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development. The scope of work planned includes the following: building construction of ADA restrooms for the Chadron Downtown Plaza at the intersection of Second and Main Streets in Chadron, NE; and, paving of approximately 10,000 sq ft of the parking lot at the Crawford Fire Hall located at 3450 Hwy 20 in Crawford, NE (the project). The total estimated cost is \$344,352, including \$2000 for construction management and \$3000 for general administration. The project will be funded with ED RLD program income of \$216,000 with \$92,900 coming from the city of Chadron and \$35,452 coming from the Crawford Fire District. Dawes County anticipates the project to be completed within 16 months. There being no input, suggestion or comment from those present the Chairman closed the public hearing at 10:43 A.M. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to direct the Chairman to sign Determination of Level of Revenue of the Environmental Assessment. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 24-13 was introduced by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, authorizing the Chairman to sign necessary paperwork and the application for CDBG funds. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board recessed at 10:48 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 10:55 A.M. The Board discussed the VSO hiring committee and having a commissioner participate. Commissioner Stewart volunteered to sit in on the hiring committee.

At 10:57 A.M. Cactus Shumway met with the Board. Also present was Lindy Coleman, Assessor and Jennifer Van Vleet, Office Clerk. Mr. Shumway requested the Board have the County Surveyor do a survey in the SW1/4 of Section 12, Township 32, Range 49 to get an appropriate survey of the East-West lines to establish where property line is located and to clarify for the Assessor where the corner should be. He reported in 1972 a Morrison survey showed where the original corner was set. Curd measured later and couldn't find the corner; however, according to Shumway Bosse located Curd's corner. Bosse never filed the survey done for John Mai in 11-32-49. In speaking with County Surveyor, Don Brush, Mr. Shumway didn't feel like Mr. Brush was interested in surveying the area due to the possibility of survey equipment being off and obviously the people living in the area have accepted the survey's done. Commissioner Stewart asked why the County Surveyor wasn't invited to the meeting. Commissioner Johnson indicated for the record he would get a hold of Don Brush to discuss the issue with him before any survey can be done.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 A.M. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be held on June 11, 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 June 06, 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

May 28, 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	\$ 1,862.78
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 12,298.54
100	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$ 219.60
100	AT&T MOBILITY	\$ 451.08
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-WEED	\$ 68.36
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-250 MAIN ST	\$ 325.86
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-342 MAIN ST	\$ 251.55
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-451 MAIN ST	\$ 42.73
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 42,510.92
100	JENNIFER BORIE	\$ 52.50
100	BOSSIER PARISH SHERIFF & EX OFFICIO	\$ 60.00
100	MANDY BRICE	\$ 52.50
100	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO	\$ 2,902.24
100	CENTURYLINK	\$ 594.08
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$ 246.75
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$ 559.03
100	CHADRON MOTOR COMPANY	\$ 38,065.00
100	CHADRON PLUMBING,INC	\$ 957.43
100	CHEYENNE CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE (NE)	\$ 50.00
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$ 491.98
100	CULLERS LAW OFFICE	\$ 800.00
100	CULLIGAN-CO ATTORNEY	\$ 16.95
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$ 748.00
100	DAWES CO TREAS/DELINQUENT PP TAXES	\$ 155.51
100	DAWES COUNTY CLERK PETTY CASH FUND	\$ 62.10
100	DAWES COUNTY COURT	\$ 620.00
100	DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT	\$ 355.00
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$ 98.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 392.00
100	DOUGLAS,KELLY,OSTDIEK,OSSIAN,BRODER	\$ 3,546.93
100	DOWNES RURAL SERVICE	\$ 1,218.16
100	FIRST BANKCARD/ROBERTA COLEMAN	\$ 110.62
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 20,610.39
100	FISHER ROOFING COMPANY INC.	\$ 44,985.00
100	JANICE GERMAN	\$ 52.50

100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 75.92
100	HARRIS SALES COMPANY INC	\$ 135.69
100	VANCE E HAUG	\$ 427.59
100	HENCEY PLUMBING & HYDRONICS,INC	\$ 195.00
100	HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS-NORTH PLATTE	\$ 214.00
100	HOLIDAY INN-KEARNEY	\$ 374.85
100	HOME HAVEN FURNITURE AND APPLIANCE	\$ 1,098.00
100	INTRALINKS,INC	\$ 2,569.37
100	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-BUILDING	\$ 3.19
100	JEFFREY JOHNS	\$ 232.02
100	JUSTICE DATA SOLUTIONS,INC	\$ 3,000.00
100	LEDEQUIPPEDCOM CORP	\$ 1,479.75
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$ 27.24
100	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES,LLC	\$ 6.02
100	MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT	\$ 6.00
100	JEANIE MELTON	\$ 67.11
100	NCRAAO 2024 CONFERENCE	\$ 600.00
100	NE COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION	\$ 550.00
100	NE DEPT OF REVENUE-PROPERTY ASSESS	\$ 75.00
100	NE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	\$ 90.00
100	NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	\$ 105.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 2,848.67
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$ 168.17
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$ 13.62
100	CANDACE NOLLETTE	\$ 166.45
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$ 169.37
100	PESTS GO	\$ 33.18
100	QUILL CORPORATION-COUNTY COURT	\$ 224.98
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/WEBSITE	\$ 86.53
100	RODAK LAW OFFICE	\$ 330.00
100	DAWN SAYALOUNE	\$ 303.25
100	MALYCHANH SAYALOUNE	\$ 193.03
100	STUNTCAMS LLC	\$ 4,227.00
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-WEED	\$ 82.25
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 257.09
100	XEROX CORPORATION/E911	\$ 337.76
100	XEROX CORPORATION/VETERANS OFFICE	\$ 127.04
100	385 XPRESS LUBE	\$ 217.45
200	AFLAC	\$ 436.29
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 1,372.88
200	BLACK HILLS ENERGY-ROADS	\$ 499.37

200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 1,415.46
200	CHADRON ARBOR BARBER TREE SERVICE	\$ 3,493.75
200	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$ 155.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 75.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 3,850.55
200	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 185.88
200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$ 261.80
200	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$ 6.02
200	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES,INC	\$ 110.00
200	MONTANA CSED SDU-WAGE WITHOLDING	\$ 165.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 865.98
200	PHILLIPS F & T INC	\$ 1,839.50
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 96.87
990	AFLAC	\$ 33.38
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 82.64
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 119.07
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 154.69
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 30.58
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 10.08
1100	PICTOMETRY INTERNATIONAL CORP	\$ 44,769.09
2580	CORE CPAS PC	\$ 118.00
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 4.50
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 18.27
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 4.19
2910	TAC10,INC	\$ 20,425.00