

The regular meeting of the Dundy County Commissioners was held on August 21st, 2023 in the Commissioner's meeting room. The notice of this meeting was published in the August 16th, 2023 issue of the county paper.

Present: Commissioners Scott Olson, Tom Richard, Aaron Keiser, Clerk Miles Preston, Karen Baker, County Attorney Arlan Wine, Wendi Vanderford, County Sheriff Clinton Smith, Pam Reichert, County Treasurer Penny Denny, Benkelman Mayor Tammy Buffington, Chief Deputy Ryan King, Sheriff CJ Smith, Jason Frederick

Chairman Olson called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Chairman Olson announced the location of the Open Meetings Act poster in the Commissioner's Meeting Room.

Motion by Keiser to approve the agenda for this meeting, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Unanimous

Motion by Richard to approve the August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Commissioner Meeting minutes, seconded by Olson

Ayes: Unanimous

Motion by Keiser to approve all claims as submitted, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Unanimous

Commissioners reviewed Village of Haigler Interlocal Law Enforcement Agreement with Dundy County Sheriff's Office.

Motion by Richard to approve Resolution 76-2023-13, Haigler Interlocal Law Enforcement Agreement with Dundy County Sheriff's Office, seconded by Keiser.

Ayes: Unanimous

Tammy Buffington submitted the City of Benkelman Law Enforcement Interlocal Agreement with Dundy County Sheriff's Office. Will carry previous agreement and amount until the end of November, and finalize agreement December 4<sup>th</sup>. Discussed agreement costs with the Board and Sheriff. Tammy discussed C&D disposal fee waiver for demolition project.

Sheriff Smith discussed the Sheriff's Office Firearms inventory. Discussed Prairie State Communications estimate for law enforcement equipment installation, approved estimate.

Discussed surplus process for county vehicles; two county roads dept. pickups and Ag. Extension office van. Will wait until inventories are completed to address surplus list on September 6<sup>th</sup>. Will decide in September on surplus and sale process.

Discussed County Roads skid steer lease. Called Neil Coleman from Bobcat to discuss bid.

Road worker discussion tabled until later in the meeting.

Discussed Southwest Weed Management programs and letter of support.

Motion by Olson to approve letter of support for Southwest Weed Management, seconded by Keiser.

Ayes: Unanimous

Discussed Prairie Plains CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) program,

Motion by Olson to approve Prairie Plains CASA agreement, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Unanimous

Kristina Collier from Lincoln Federal discussed submitting a Depository Form with Dundy County to allow consideration for deposit of county funds with Lincoln Federal. Will add Lincoln Federal to list of approved Depository institutions.

County Treasurer Penny Denny discussed donations for K-9 unit costs. Auditor relayed to Penny that the funds donated for a K-9 unit must be in a separate Fund within the county budget. County will create K-9 Fund for receipt of donations and expenditures pertaining solely to K-9.

Motion by Richard to enter executive session to discuss County Road Workers, seconded by Olson.

Ayes: Unanimous

County Attorney Arlan Wine delivered the County Attorney's report, discussed damage to phones and copier from lightning strike, will submit claim to NIRMA. Attempted to contact Dave Stolz to discuss the

most recent PSAC meeting and Sheriff Smith's involvement, left a message for Stolz to call Chairman Olson back.

Entered Executive Session at 9:58 A.M. to discuss County Road matters.

Motion by Keiser to exit executive session, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Unanimous

Returned to Open Session at 10:24 A.M.

Discussed county road resignation and hiring new road worker during closed session.

Participated in a Teams call with Cody of EZ-IT Solutions regarding Cyber-Security and IT support for Dundy County.

LaNetta Carlock discussed the Haigler Foundation budget and expenses.

Motion by Keiser to recess the meeting at 12:02 until 1:00 P.M., seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Unanimous

Reconvened meeting at 1:05 P.M.

Present: Scott Olson, Tom Richard, Aaron Keiser, Miles Preston, Dan Miller, Karen Baker, Penny Denny, Pam Reichert, Ryan King

Commissioners conducted a budget workshop for County budgets with Dan Miller CPA.

With no further business, Chairman Olson adjourned the meeting at 4:58 P.M. The next regular meeting of the Dundy County Commissioners will be held on August 21st, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

These minutes are not the official record and may be corrected. A copy of the approved minutes is available to The Public in the Dundy County Clerk's Office. Any resolutions contained herein are available for viewing at the Dundy County Clerk's Office.

/s/ Miles Preston

County Clerk

/s/ Scott Olson

Chairman