

The regular meeting of the Dundy County Commissioners was held on April 1st, 2024 in the Commissioner's meeting room. The notice of this meeting was published in the March 20th, 2024 issue of the Benkelman Post.

Present: Commissioners Scott Olson, Tom Richard, Aaron Keiser, Clerk Miles Preston, Assessor Tish Burrell, Treasurer Penny Denny, Extension Officer Wendy Vanderford, Teresa Delorme, County Attorney Arlan Wine, Karen Baker, Sheriff Ryan King, Chief Deputy Tom Jones, Marc Fanning, Zoning and Comm. Center Admin Pam Reichert, Michelle Smith, Monica Peterson, Sye Tecker, Tim Smith, DCH Admin Kris Mathews

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 Dundy County Commissioner's Meeting Room.

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

Ayes: Unanimous

Motion by Keiser to approve the March 18th Commissioner meeting minutes, with the addition that cameras and camera footage for the Court House are to be under the control of the Dundy County Sheriff's Office, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Unanimous

The board discussed the county ambulance purchase invoice from Fyr-Tek

Motion by Olson to approve the claims as submitted, seconded by Keiser.

Ayes: Unanimous

CLAIMS:FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
100	AFLAC	EMPE AM/FM PRE	\$ 348.26
100	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH-102791	\$ 7,631.53
100	BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF NEBRASKA	DENTAL-102791	\$ 323.27
100	EFTPS	FEDERAL TAXES	\$ 10,699.93
100	FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP, LLC	EMPE PRETAX FL	\$ 65.00
100	FIRST CONCORD "HSA"	HSA COUNTY PMT	\$ 634.20
100	LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.	EMPE LIFE INSU	\$ 34.30
100	NORTH AMERICA BENEFITS CO	#NIS0003 UNIT#	\$ 74.60
100	NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENT	EMPE CHILD SUP	\$ 384.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	\$ 1,706.04
100	NATIONAL INSURANCE SERVICES (NIS)	NIS SUPPLEMENT	\$ 95.51
100	PREMIUM PROCESSING - COLONIAL	COLONIAL COUNT	\$ 72.97
100	RETIREMENT PLANS DIVISION AMERITAS	EMPE RET	\$ 5,551.80
100	VISION SERVICE PLAN (CT)	EMPE VISION IN	\$ 67.03
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	63852940 58	\$ 992.81
100	CITY OF BENKELMAN	C&D FEB EXPENS	\$ 1,723.02
100	CROWNE PLAZA	6565	\$ 289.90
100	DAS STATE ACCT - CENTRAL FINANCE	1409356	\$ 1,559.20
100	EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	8895874-0	\$ 48.52
100	HEARTLAND JUVENILE SERVICES ASS.	#9229889409	\$ 139.00
100	HILTON OMAHA	#349786036	\$ 260.00
100	HOMETOWN LEASING	32798058	\$ 119.04
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY	22150632	\$ 130.81
100	JONES, THOMAS	MEAL REIMB	\$ 19.78
100	KING, RYAN	HOTEL REIMB	\$ 749.70
100	LECC/CA ASSOCIATION	2024SPRNG CONF	\$ 400.00
100	MEDICAL AIR SERVICES ASSOCIATION	1782540	\$ 287.50
100	NEBRASKA DEPT OF LABOR UC FUND	#0160460008	\$ 196.30
100	NEBRASKA JUVENILE JUSTICE ASS.	#65FE2AA35ED58	\$ 175.00
100	NEBRASKA STATE PATROL	1411618	\$ 361.50
100	NELMS, SUE	CLEANING	\$ 280.00
100	PENGUIN MANAGEMENT, INC.	77573	\$ 2,172.00
100	PRESTON, MILES	W/C MEETING	\$ 111.22
100	PURSLEY, BETTYE	RETIREMENT	\$ 12.00

100	QUILL CORPORATION	37675878	\$	993.39
100	REICHERT,PAM	PHONE/COMPUTER	\$	253.68
100	SCOOP MEDIA LLC	RENEW CO COURT	\$	190.00
100	SPAHN,ASHLEY,K, LAW OFFICE OF	2,787,327,895	\$	2,400.00
100	VANDERFORD, WENDI	COMMUNICATIONS	\$	18.00
100	WIESE CARPENTRY	GROUNDS CONTRT	\$	997.50
100	WILSON,DONALD D	2023010	\$	7,400.00
100	DEPUTIES, DISPATCH,OFFICIALS	WAGES	\$	47,776.50
200	AFLAC	EMPE AM/FM PRE	\$	287.82
200	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH-102791	\$	4,347.92
200	BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF NEBRASKA	DENTAL-102791	\$	122.85
200	CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES	EMPE GARNISHME	\$	201.37
200	EFTPS	FEDERAL TAXES	\$	4,152.94
200	FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP, LLC	EMPE PRETAX FL	\$	15.00
200	LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.	EMPE LIFE INSU	\$	31.33
200	NORTH AMERICA BENEFITS CO	#NIS0003 UNIT#	\$	76.66
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	\$	625.78
200	NATIONAL INSURANCE SERVICES (NIS)	NIS SUPPLEMENT	\$	30.83
200	PREMIUM PROCESSING - COLONIAL	COLONIAL COUNT	\$	116.69
200	RETIREMENT PLANS DIVISION AMERITAS	EMPE RET	\$	2,174.35
200	VISION SERVICE PLAN (CT)	EMPE VISION IN	\$	48.10
200	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	61934696 13	\$	322.94
200	MEDICAL AIR SERVICES ASSOCIATION	1782540	\$	150.00
200	NORTHWEST FIRE EXTINGUISHER	83631	\$	380.00
200	SOUTHWEST PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	913546003	\$	199.69
200	SOUTHWEST WELDING LLC	WELD GRADER	\$	383.00
200	ROAD WORKERS	WAGES	\$	20,077.50
650	JT ROCKS	GRAVEL	\$	1,677.00
990	HAIGLER COMMUNITY FOUNDATION	PROMO REIMB	\$	1,625.00
2700	FYR-TEK	INV#1749AMB-9	\$	217,928.00

Motion by Keiser to approve the County Credit Card application through Pinnacle Bank and updated spending limits and department head signatures, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Unanimous

Motion by Richard to approve and sign Letter of Engagement for Don Wilson to conduct the audit for Dundy County, approving charge from \$7,400 to \$8,200, seconded by Keiser.

Ayes: Unanimous

Terry Delorme discussed county road business and wanted it noted in the record that the work done at Roundtree's that was passed along to the Commissioners was not received as a complaint. Discussed frustration of a lack of cost-of-living adjustment for Dundy County road workers since 2022.

Motion by Keiser to enter executive session at 9:07 to discuss county road employees with Teresa Delorme and the County Attorney, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Unanimous

Motion by Keiser to exit Executive Session at 9:34 AM, seconded by

Ayes: Unanimous

Motion by Keiser to accept the letter of resignation from Teresa Delorme, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Unanimous

Marc Fanning discussed the road conditions at Rd 72287 and Ave 348. He stated that oftentimes the maintenance at that location is missed and he has grown frustrated with the situation. He stated that he also mows the ditches in that area.

Pam Reichert discussed the PSAP grant application recently completed. Discussed South Central/Panhandle Nebraska 911 Regional Interlocal Agreement; it's been signed but needs a point of contact. Discussed the Code Red bill and confusion surrounding that invoice: Fire Chief Relgene Zimbleman received a delinquent notice, but Pam Reichert was of the understanding that the invoice

was not paid out of the Communication Center budget. Invoice is being paid out of Miscellaneous General. Pam discussed ongoing training needs for employees to become jail certified. Discussed PSAP technical security audit of NCIC, NCJIS, and other 911 center processes. Auditor stated that the security of the Dispatch Center was unacceptable. Pam stated that there would need to be a security door installed in the Dispatch Center separating the Dispatch Center from the rest of the Courthouse. Pam requested that the Dispatch Center remain under independent control rather than returning to the control of the Sheriff at this time to maintain stability. Pam discussed Zoning updates: Ne Dept. of Natural Resources is providing guidance on three current flood plain applications. Pam discussed an EMS situation regarding a wreck last week: during the series of events the ambulance was advised to turn around three different times by three different individuals, including an EMT and a Haigler firefighter. Pam had sent a message about the situation to Kris Jardine and the two had a disagreement. Pam wanted to make it clear that she has no intentions of telling the Haigler Fire Department how to manage their matters, but that EMS must respond to any scene that may have a patient or an individual that needs to sign a refusal of care form, and if they cannot confirm that there are no patients they will still be responding to the scene.

Penny Denny delivered the County Tax Sale Report of properties sold for delinquent taxes.

Arlan Wine delivered the County Attorney's report.

Ryan King delivered the County Sheriff's report. Olson asked the status of King's residence, King stated he has his move-in agreement, but the current tenants are still living at the location due to issues with the residents moving into their new residence. Monica Peterson raised concerns with the interim sheriff's residence and the Board's agreement to continue his interim sheriff status. She stated taxpayers are concerned and feel that the Sheriff needs to live in the county. Sheriff King stated that he understands the concerns and is attempting to resolve the situation within the best of his ability, but his options are limited until the current tenants move out.

Tim Smith discussed a request from the public for some kind of signage at the ball diamond to indicate the presence of children at play near the roadway of the baseball diamond location. Tim stated the City would install the signage and split the cost with the county if the county agreed to pay half of the signage cost.

Karen Baker stated that she is working on the Safety Committee: she needs a worker from each Road Shop to be on the committee.

Kris Mathews thanked the board for the purchase of the trailer to transport equipment that will be loaned to maintain the hospital parking lot. Mid-Plains Community College is establishing a distance learning center in Benkelman, at an office space next to the grocery store.

With no further business, Chairman Olson adjourned the meeting at 10:54 P.M. The next regular meeting of the Dundy County Commissioners will be held on April 15th, 2024 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
Clerk

/s/ Scott Olson
Chairman