

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETINGS

February 12, 2024

The Red Willow County Board of Commissioners and the Board of Equalization met in the Commissioners' Room in the courthouse on February 12, 2024. A notice of the meetings was published in the McCook Gazette and posted on the County's website. The combined agenda was e-mailed to each commissioner and the news media, uploaded on the County's website, and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Ted Gans called the Board of Commissioners meeting to order with the following members present: Commissioners Ted Gans, Randy Dean and Charles Fritsche. Gans informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to approve the agendas with the removal of consent agenda item 5. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Chairman Gans offered the floor for Citizens' Comments. No one was present.

Chairman Gans recessed the Commissioners' meeting at 9:15 a.m. for the Board of Equalization.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING: Chairman Randy Dean called the Board of Equalization meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. with the following members present: Commissioners Ted Gans, Randy Dean and Charles Fritsche. Dean informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

Assessor Kristi Korell joined the Board to make recommendations on applications for tax exemptions on real and personal property. Korell explained that every four years nonprofits must reapply for tax exemptions. There were three new ones this year. She is recommending that the Board approve all of the applications.

The Board will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on the applications for tax exemptions on real and personal property March 11, 2024, at 9:15 a.m.

Chairman Dean adjourned the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:21 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING: (Reconvened)

Chairman Gans reconvened the Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:21 a.m.

A motion was made by Fritsche, seconded by Dean, to approve the following items on the consent agenda: 1) minutes from the previous Board of Commissioners and Board of Equalization meetings, 2) accounts payable claims in the amount of \$480,381.01, 3) Resolution No. 1508, Book 24, Page 15, to Add New Solor Regulations to Zoning Plan, 4) One-Year Audit Engagement Letter with Donald D. Wilson, CPA. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

The Board discussed county road maintenance and crack sealing. Gans had some leads on suppliers, but the Board needs to decide which roads need repaired the worst.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to set March 11, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. as the date and time to open bids for county road maintenance and crack sealing on approximately 30 miles using ARPA funds. Roll Call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

A motion was made by Fritsche, seconded by Dean, to recess the regular meeting and enter into a public hearing at 9:45 a.m. to receive public comments on the One and Six-Year Road Plan. Roll Call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Kevin Petross with Miller & Associates joined the Board as they reviewed a map of the roads involved in the plan. There are six locations on the plan.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to adjourn the public hearing at 9:50 a.m. and reconvene the regular meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to adopt Resolution No. 1506, Book 24, Page 13 to Adopt the 2024 One and Six-Year Road Plan, with the deletion of Project C73(188). Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Kent Meyers with Frenchman Valley Co-op joined the Board to discuss supplying the County with fuel. FVC will write off the County's past due amount, and will provide fuel to the County at .13 below pump price using the pump cards.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to set February 26, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. to review informal bids for a backhoe. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

The Board considered a request for financial assistance with burial costs from Herrmann-Jones Funeral Home.

A motion was made by Fritsche, seconded by Dean, to decline the request. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: 1) NACO – Educational Opportunities for Noxious Weed Control Superintendents, 2) City of McCook – Notice of Hearing re 409 West 1st St, 3) Nebraska Commission of Law Enforcement re Scheduled Jail Inspection, 4) Donald D. Wilson, CPA – Withdraw of Federal Single Audit Services.

The following reports were reviewed and placed on file: 1) Sheriff's Monthly Revenue Report, 2) Clerk's Monthly Revenue Report, 3) District Court Clerk's Monthly Revenue Report, 4) 2022/2023 Audit Report, 5) Attestation Compliance Audit.

The following claims were allowed:

Abbreviations for this legal: S Supplies; SF Sheriff Fees; SC Services & Charges; LF Legal Fees; M Mileage, Meals, Meetings; D Dues, Reg. or Subs; DN Donation; R Rent; RF Refund; T Taxes; TR Training; MH Mental Health Hearing; I Insurance; BP Bond Payment; LP Lease/Loan Payment; C Contract Labor; WF Witness Fees

GENERAL FUND Accurate Controls Inc SC 656.00 Adams County Sheriff SF 96.40 Ambience Counseling Center LLC SC 540.00 Applied Connective Technologies SC 2,411.96 AT&T Mobility SC 400.02 Black Hills Energy SC 2,134.73 B Street Auto Spa S 164.05 Centec Cast Metal Products S 818.84 City Of Indianola SC 160.00 City Of McCook SC 5,950.15 Ruby Collins M 429.47 Community Hospital SC 2,761.96 Consolidated Management Company S 9,780.90 Penelope Cooper S 101.61 Cummins Sales And Service S 654.51 Justin M Daake LF 4,772.50 Randy Dean M 616.40 Dept Correctional Svcs SC 180.70 Jasmine Dimas S 18.65 Eakes Office Solutions S 1,770.07 Farrells Pharmacy Inc S 3,942.76 Frenchman Valley Co-Op SC 806.37 Law Offices Of Tana M Fye LF 12.50 Georgia Time Recorder Co., Inc S 305.68 Goodwin Siegfried LLC LF 1,237.50 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 1,691.16 Tammie Hilker C 142.50 Brandi Hilton-Hagemann M 947.73 Hitchcock County Sheriff SF 19.37 Hometown Leasing R 1,135.70 James M Stevens SC 5,360.00 Donna Kircher M 174.20 Lincoln County Sheriff SF 34.50 Masonic Temple Craft Inc R 495.00 McCook Gazette SC 1,307.85 McCook Humane Society Inc DN 350.00 McCook Utilities SC 401.55 Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc SC 129.00 Mid-American Research Chemical Corp S 1,374.40 Mid States Organized Crime Info D 100.00 MIPS Inc SC 11,734.53 Mousel Brooks Schneider & Mustion LF 3,700.70 NACEB D 100.00 Ne County Assessors Association D 75.00 Ne Assoc Of County Treasurers D 50.00 Nebraska Public Power District SC 2,225.42 Nebraska Safety & Fire Equipment SC 473.00 Nebraska Public Health Environment S 105.00 Nicks Distributing Inc S 406.18 Nkc Tire SC 92.95 Lori O'Dea S 39.05 Physicians Laboratory PC SC 2,621.00 Srk Enterprise LLC S 480.00 Quadiant Leasing USA, Inc R 242.97 Quality Urgent Care PC S 6,723.46 Quill Corporation S 444.64 Radiology Services PC SC 10.67 Redfield Direct LLC SC 1,657.22 Reward Committee D 2,500.00 Red Willow County Court LF 411.00 Red Willow County District Court LF 298.00 Clerk Of District Court Petty Cash S 203.55 Red Willow County Sheriff SF 240.90 Scottsbluff Corporate SC 308.46 Shred-It USA SC 176.08 Michael T Simmonds D 119.16 Adriann Smith M 7.10 Ashley K Spahn LF 450.00 Tk Elevator Corporation SC 495.33 Tinker Tom S 111.95 20/20 Technologies LLC SC 2,499.00 Urbom Law Offices PC LF 428.60 US Bank S 1,919.20 US Postmaster S 87.00 Verizon Wireless SC 55.06 Village Of Bartley SC 40.00 Walmart S 134.03 Ryan R Wilcox LF 7,500.00 Donald D Wilson CPA C 9,600.00 Delton Young SC 55.00 TOTAL 113,207.90 ROAD FUND Ag Valley Co-Op S 1,803.09 B W Telcom SC 44.39 C & K Distributors S 379.34 Cambridge Telephone Company SC 51.84 City Of McCook SC 30.71 Diamond Vogel Paint Center S 30.35 Fowlers LLC S 1,513.50 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 41.22 Kully Pipe & Steel Supply S 688.81 Lingo Communications SC 18.01 Lords Inc S 671.18 Malleck Oil Company S 15.83 McCook Utilities SC 76.36 Mittens S 2,136.90 Modern Farm Equipment Corp S 357.05 Nebraska Public Power District SC 68.60 Paulsen Inc S 6,634.88 Quality Urgent Care SC 100.00 Ruggles Truck & Trailer Sales LLC S 95.00 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply S 1,383.84 Titan Machinery S 523.29 Village Of Bartley SC 119.25 Welding Plus SC 135.19 Westside Welding SC 69.00 Winzer S 475.64 TOTAL 17,463.27 HIGHWAY BUYBACK FUND Miller & Associates Consulting Eng C 5,747.00 TOTAL 5,747.00 VISITORS FUND Honorbound It SC 25.00 Maly Marketing SC 660.00 McCook Economic Development Corp D 2,500.00 Nebraska Game & Parks S 1,250.00 Carol E Schlegel C 4,091.67 US Bank S 497.84 TOTAL 9,024.51 FAIR FUND Ace-Yuma SC 167.28 Akrs Equipment S 50.20 Black Hills Energy SC 1,553.71 Bluffs Facility Solutions S 129.49 C & K Distributors S 9.24 Cardmember Services S 1,142.48 D & S Hardware S 86.63 Eakes Office Solutions S 281.90 Frenchman Valley Co-Op S 140.00 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 157.67 John Deere Financial S 164.57 McCook Chamber Of Commerce D 300.00 McCook Gazette SC 3.71 McCooknet Internet Service SC 44.00 McCook Utilities SC 304.37 Nebraska Public Power District SC 1,607.01 Srk Enterprise LLC S 1,657.50 Regalia Manufacturing Co S 559.24 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply S 185.99 Walmart S 148.00 TOTAL 8,692.99 INSURANCE FUND Lucent Health Solutions LLC I 45,140.24 Principal Life Insurance Company I 3,447.87 TOTAL 48,588.11 ARENA FUND Black Hills Energy SC 5,707.87 McCook Utilities SC 414.66 Nebraska Public Power District SC 1,119.46 Rapid Fire Protection Inc SC 2,089.00 Shawn Smith S 822.12 TOTAL 10,153.11 ARPA FUND NMC Exchange LLC S 250,740.00 Samway Floor Covering & Furniture SC 6,871.46 Abraham Weber SC 1,243.40

Donald D Wilson CPA C 4,200.00 TOTAL 263,054.86 HEALTH FUND Applied Connective Technologies SC 105.00 Brandy Bird M 148.81 Change Healthcare Solutions LLC SC 106.43 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 296.08 Hometown Leasing R 86.12 Amber Kotschwar M 26.20 McCook Gazette SC 30.09 Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp S 862.67 Pathology Services PC SC 881.62 Sanofi Pasteur Inc S 192.19 US Bank S 364.37 TOTAL 3,099.58 WASTE FUND C & K Distributors S 126.21 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 71.43 McCook Utilities SC 48.40 Nebraska Public Power District SC 330.44 20/20 Technologies LLC SC 643.93 Verizon Wireless SC 29.27 TOTAL 1,349.68 GRAND TOTAL 480,381.01.

Chairman Gans adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 10:55 a.m. to February 26, 2024.

Ted Gans
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Randy Dean
Chairman, Board of Equalization

Attest: Penelope Cooper
County Clerk