

## Johnson County Board of Commissioners

### January 14, 2025

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The Johnson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday January 14, 2025, County Commissioners present were David Borrenpohl District 1, Tim Weber District 2, Les Agena District 3.

Kathleen M. Nieveen County Clerk is recording the minutes.

Notice of the Johnson County Commissioner's meeting was sent to each post office in Johnson County, it was posted on the Johnson County Website at johnsoncounty.ne.gov and was sent to the Tecumseh Chieftain on Wednesday January 10, 2025.

The meeting was called to order by Katheen Nieveen County Clerk at 9:00 A.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in the room.

County Clerk Nieveen acknowledged that the open meetings act was posted by the entrance of the Johnson County Board Room.

County Clerk Nieveen disbanded the current Johnson County Board of Commissioners and called for nominations for Chairman of the Johnson County Board for 2025.

- A motion was made by Weber and was seconded by Agena to nominate David Borrenpohl as Chairman of the Johnson County Board of Commissioners for 2025. Yeas: Weber, Agena, Nays; none Abstain Borrenpohl. Motion carried.

County Clerk Nieveen then turned the meeting over to Chairman Borrenpohl.

- A motion was made by Weber and was seconded by Borrenpohl to nominate Les Agena as Vice-Chairman of the Johnson County Board of Commissioners for 2025. Yeas: Weber, Borrenpohl, Nays none Abstain Agena.
- A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Borrenpohl to nominate Tim Weber as Chairman of the Johnson County Board of Equalization for 2025. Yeas: Agena, Borrenpohl, Nays; none Abstain Weber, Motion Carried.
- A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Weber to nominate David Borrenpohl as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Equalization for 2025. Yeas: Agena, Weber, Nay: none Abstain Borrenpohl, Motion carried.
- A motion was made by Weber and was seconded by Agena to designate the Tecumseh Chieftain as the Official County Newspaper for 2025. Yeas: Weber, Agena, Borrenpohl, Nays; none motion carried.
- A motion was made by Weber and was seconded by Agena to approve and designate all banks in Johnson County Nebraska and NPAIT as depositories for county monies. Yeas: Agena, Weber, Borrenpohl, Nays; none motion carried.
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**AGENDA:** A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Borrenpohl to approve the agenda. Yeas: Agena, Weber, Borrenpohl, Nays; none motion carried.

**MINUTES:** A motion was made by Agena, and was seconded by Weber, to approve the minutes of December 31 2024, board meeting. Yeas: Agena, Weber, Borrenpohl, Nays; none motion carried.

**CLAIMS:** A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Weber to approve the bills as presented. Yeas: Agena, Weber, Borrenpohl, Nays; none motion carried. The following is a list of claims that were paid on funds as follows:

**GENERAL FUND: Payroll: \$53,387.47**

**Claims: \$ 94,971.38**

AFLAC – Insurance - 254.01, AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK – Federal & FICA Taxes - 16,591.53, AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP. Vision Insurance - 130.84, BENCHMARK GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS LLC – Meals at Jail School - 147.40, BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHEILD OF NE – Health Insurance - 17,255.04, BRINKMAN BROTHERS INC. – Cruiser Repairs - 380.07, MEGAN BUCKLEY – Public Defender Board Fees - 150.00, ANDREW K CAROTHERS – Public Defender Board Fees - 150.00, ALLISON L CASPERS – Prior Service - 96.00 CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT – Court Fees - 244.50, CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT – Appeals - 260.00, MIKE DAVISON - Mileage 199.66, DEPT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – Inmate Housing - 2,710.50, EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS – Jail & Office Supplies - 135.42, ERIN M. MCCARTNEY - 264.00, FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES – 3 Rooms at Convention - 1,124.55, FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP – HRA Fees - 323.69, DEBORAH GORACKE – Prior Service - 12.00, HASSELBALCH PHARMACY – Inmate Medical - 20.77 HIDDEN GEM BISTRO – Inmate Meals 12/23-1/5 no Sundays - 376.00, MICHELLE HUTT – Postage Reimbursement - 55.80, JOHNSON COUNTY PETTY CASH FUND – Courthouse & Jail Utilities, Trash Pickup - 2,655.38, JOHNSON COUNTY ROAD DEPT. Emergency Management & Sheriff’s Office Fuel - 9,498.63, KERNER ACE HARDWARE – Drill Bits - 15.98, VIRGINIA LAFLIN Prior Service - 36.00, LANCASTER COUNTY SHERIFF – Paper Service - 28.50, LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO - Insurance 88.52, STEVEN J MERCURE – Prior Service - 96.00, MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS – Scanner Rental - 40.00, MIPS INC. - Support, Scanner Reader & Jury list - 1,287.51, MORRISSEY, MORRISSEY, DALLUGE – Office Rent, 1/3 Utilities, ½ Phone & Internet, Secretary & Website Maintenance - 1,908.93, NE ASSN OF COUNTY ASSESSORS – Dues - 100.00, NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CNTR - 113.08, NE CLERKS OF DISTRICT COURT ASSN – Dues - 50.00, NEBRASKA DEPT. OF REVENUE State Taxes - 2,423.81, NEBRASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER – Academy Fees & Instructor Course - 390.00 NEBRASKA NOTARY ASSOCIATION – Dispatcher Notary Testing - 30.00, NEBRASKA.GOV – County Court Costs - 50.00, NESTOR & MERCURE ATTORNEYS – Public Defender Board Fees - 150.00, OTOE COUNTY SHERIFF – Vest Carrier - 850.00, MARGARET A PARRISH – Prior Service - 96.00, POSTMASTER – Stamps - 830.00, RETIREMENT PLANS DIV OF AMERITAS – Retirement - 8,487.66 REWOUND POWER MOTORS SALES & SERVICE – Sheriff’s Office Generator Repairs - 778.56, ELIZABETH SAMUELSON – Attorney Fees - 7,917.00, SCHENDEL PEST CONTROL – Pest Control - 54.00, LACIE SNYDER – Mileage - 65.66, TECUMSEH CENTRAL MARKET Inmate Meals & Groceries - 376.89, FIBER PLATFORM,LLC – Internet - 295.00, VANGUARD APPRAISALS,INC - Programming Fees 14,475.00, BARRY WEBER – Lodging Reimbursement - 126.90, WHERRY BROTHERS MORTUARY – Transport & Bag Fees - 670.00 WINDSTREAM – Elevator Phone - 70.59, KAREN ZUHLKE – Prior Service - 34.00

**ROAD FUND: Payroll: \$16,589.26**

**Claims: \$ 93,170.38**

A STREET AUTO PARTS, INC – Parts - 1,778.68, AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK – Federal & FICA Taxes - 5,032.99, AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP. – Vision Insurance - 52.85, BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS, INC – Parts - 157.24, BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHEILD OF NE – Health Insurance - 6,343.10, BRINKMAN BROTHERS INC. – Parts & Labor - 1,031.52, FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES – Room at Convention - 249.90, GOTTULA PROPANE SERVICES,INC – Fuel - 8,679.40, JOHNSON COUNTY PETTY CASH FUND – Barn Utilities 759.10, KERNER ACE HARDWARE – Shop Supplies - 8.99, LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO – Insurance - 87.78,MAINELLI WAGNER & ASSOCIATES, INC. – October & November Consulting - 4,580.86, MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS – Rock - 47,633.30 MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO – Signs - 135.00, RANDALL MOSS – Prior Service - 84.00, NEBRASKA DEPT. OF REVENUE – State Taxes - 715.25, JOHN RADEMACHER – Prior Service - 48.00, RETIREMENT PLANS DIV OF AMERITAS – Retirement - 2,518.63

ORVILLE SPECKMANN – Prior Service - 120.00, TECUMSEH CHIEFTAIN – Time Sheets - 260.00, WESSELS TRUCKING – Hauling - 12,893.79

**REGISTER DEEDS PRESERVATION & MOD. FUND**

MIPS INC. – Register of Deeds & Deeds Online - 278.28

**INHERITANCE TAX FUND**

**Claims: \$9,338.77**

BERGGREN ARCHITECTS – Invoice #22 - 8,213.77, MARVIN PLANNING CONSULTANTS – Comprehensive Plan - 1,125.00

**911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND**

GEOCOMM, INC -Dispatch Map License Fee - 4,456.00

**AMBULANCE SERVICE FUND**

**Claims: \$2,449.79**

HMKB BILLING, LLC – Contract Billing - 2,051.79, TECUMSEH RESCUE – Non-Emergency Transfers & Program Certification – 398.00

- A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Weber to approve the IRS Standard mileage rate for business use in 2025 at 70 cents per mile. Yeas: Agena, Weber, Borrenpohl, Nays; none motion carried.
- A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Weber to approve Resolution No. 25-1 a Resolution for the Subdivision of the E ½ of the SE ¼ Section Thirty-Four (34), Township Six (6), North Range Ten (10 Easts of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. Less Tracts, Johnson County, Nebraska Yeas: Agena, Weber, Borrenpohl, Nays; none motion carried.
- The board acknowledged the Johnson County Treasurer Semi-Annual Statement from July 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024 in accordance with State Statute #77-1745
- A motion was made by Weber and was seconded by Agena to lower the Drug Fund Balance \$500.00 per auditor suggestion and to deposit the \$500.00 into County General. Yea: Weber, Agena, Borrenpohl, Nays; none motion carried

A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Weber to go into closed session at 10:02 a.m. The purpose of the closed session was to receive advice from legal counsel on a personal matter for the protection of the public’s interest. Yeas: Agena, Weber, Borrenpohl, Nays; none motion carried.

A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Weber to come out of closed session at 10:39 a.m. Yeas: Agena, Weber, Borrenpohl, Nays; none motion carried.

Josh Sterkel County Sheriff was present at the meeting to inform the board that the new Drango is in earlier than expected and that it will be detailed by Jones Automotive in the next few months. Discussion was held on the selling of the 2017 Ford Explorer; Josh will get that moving. Also discussed was new computers for vehicles Josh found a Grant that will cover the cost and will proceed with that.

Matt Schardt Highway Supt. Discussed with the board new water rates in Sterling, Rock Hauling, Engineering Services, and presented to the board the 2024 County Road Year in Review.

The Johnson County Board of Commissioners adjourned the meeting at 11:30 A.M.

The board will meet again in regular session on Tuesday January 28, 2025, at 9:00 A.M. All board meetings are open to the public; the agenda is kept current and available at the County Clerk’s Office.

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David Borrenpohl, Chairman

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Kathleen M. Nieveen, County Clerk