

Johnson County Board of Commissioners March 28, 2023

The Johnson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday March 28, 2023. County Commissioners present were, David Borrenpohl District 1, Ted Evans District 2, and 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 Friday March 24, 2023.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Evans at 8:15 A.M.

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

AGENDA: A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Borrenpohl to approve the agenda. Yeas: Borrenpohl, Agena, Evans, Nays; none motion carried.

MINUTES: A motion was made Agenda and was seconded by Borrenpohl to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2023, board meeting. Yeas: Borrenpohl, Agena, Evans, Nays; none motion carried.

A motion was made by Borrenpohl, and was seconded by Agena to approve the claims as presented. The following claims were paid on funds as follows: Yeas: Borrenpohl, Agena, Evans, Nays; none motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Payroll: 44,748.60

Claims: \$ 157,311.20

AFLAC – Insurance - 217.44, AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK – FICA & Federal Taxes - 15,036.39, AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP. Vision Insurance - 129.57, ARAMARK – Rugs - 48.18, BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHEILD OF NE – Health Insurance - 9,922.57, CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC. – Copiers - 1,114.90, CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS – Internet - 149.99, CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS Phones/Internet & HD Converters - 917.28, DAS STATE ACCTING - CENTRAL FINANCE – Radio Usage - 112.00, DOLLAR GENERAL-Supplies - 103.11, EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS – Supplies – 2,197.35, FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP – Cafeteria Plan & Flex Spending - 153.65, GB AUTO SERVICE, INC – Oil Change - 84.58, IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY – Training - 750.00, JOHNSON COUNTY HOSPITAL – Inmate Visits - 580.83, JOHNSON COUNTY PETTY CASH FUND – Postage & Black Hills Utilities for Courthouse & Jail - 1,933.64, JOHNSON COUNTY TREASURER – Transfer - 104,448.04, KERNER ACE HARDWARE – Supplies - 24.35 LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO – Insurance - 12.28, MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INSURNACE CO. – Insurance - 125.15 KENNETH MANDL – Mileage - 68.12, NACO – Registration - 40.00, NARTEC – Testing Supplies - 188.10, NE REGIONAL INTEROPERABILITY NETWRK – PSAP/Radios - 2,400.00, NEBRASKA DEPT. OF REVENUE – State Taxes - 2,355.39, PRODUCTION CREEK SPECIALTY ADVER. – Hoodies - 43.00, PROFESSIONAL CHOICE RECOVERY, INC - 242.48, QUILL CORP. – Supplies - 125.96 RETIREMENT PLANS DIV OF AMERITAS – Retirement – 7,096.53, KRISTINE RIEKENBERG- Grand Jury Transcripts - 707.00, SECRETARY OF STATE NOTARY DIVISION – Notary Fees - 30.00, SMPC LLC – Emails & Support - 54.00, SOARIN GROUP, LLC IT & Support - 1,416.50, THE LEADERSHIP CENTER – Lodging - 976.46, U.S. CELLULAR – Tower Rent - 525.60, U.S. CELLULAR Internet/Phones - 112.89, VERIZON WIRELESS – Phones/Tablets - 530.67, WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF – Ramos Boarding 1,820.00, WINDSTREAM – Landline Phones - 517.20

ROAD FUND: Payroll: 13,389.90

Claims: \$ 101,506.20

AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK – FICA & Federal Taxes - 4,023.76, AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP. – Vision Insurance - 21.28

BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHEILD OF NE – Health Insurance - 11,918.93, FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP – Flex Spending - 38.46 GARTNER TRANSPORT, INC – Parts - 91.11, GOTTULA PROPANE SERVICES, INC – February & March Fuel - 22,116.26, JOHNSON COUNTY PETTY CASH FUND – OPPD Cook Barn Black Hills Utilities Barn - 742.06, LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO – Insurance - 87.78, MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS – Rock - 28,378.39, MELLAGE TRUCK & TRACTOR – Parts - 199.49, NACO Registration - 40.00, NEBRASKA DEPT. OF REVENUE – State Taxes - 583.82, NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER – Sterling & Crab Orchard 105.82, NMC,INC – Labor - 3,787.52, RETIREMENT PLANS DIV OF AMERITAS – Retirement - 2,266.97, TURNBULL AG TIRES – Tires/Repairs - 2,415.00, U.S. CELLULAR – Internet - 183.90, VERIZON WIRELESS – Tablet - 40.01, VILLAGE OF STERLING - Utilities 12.00, WINDSTREAM – Landline Phones - 137.80, YANT TESTING,SUPPLY & EQUIPMENT,INC – Replace Fuel System - 24,315.84

VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND

JOHNSON COUNTY NE HISTORICAL SOC. – Payment - 1,058.25

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

TK ELEVATOR CORPORATION – Elevator Repairs - 4,424.40

911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

JOHNSON COUNTY PETTY CASH FUND – OPPD 911 Tower - 42.85

AMBULANCE SERVICE FUND

HMKB BILLING, LLC – Contract Billing - 1,287.04

Amanda Burki Emergency Manager reported that she has been doing CPR Classes for local Departments, she is trying to organize a LEPC Meeting, and updated the board on the Drone that the County will be receiving with Federal Dollars.

Sheriff Byron Klauenberg updated the board on a new dispatch system and will be attending the meeting of the Pawnee County Board to ask them for cost sharing of this project. Discussed was the spare trucks at the Sheriff's office and it was decided to trade them in. Sheriff Klauenberg reported that the garage door on the Sheriff's office needs paint and he will have individuals who need to complete community service do that job.

Fuel bids were opened and placed on file in the County Clerk's Office one bid was received from Gottula Propane Service Inc.

A motion was made by Borrenpohl and was seconded by Agena to approve the bid from Gottula Propane Services Inc. as follows:

Tecumseh Shop Unleaded with 10% Ethanol \$2.999, Diesel Low Sulfur #2 on Road \$3.549

Cook, Crab Orchard, Elk Creek, and Sterling Shops: Diesel Low Sulfur #2 off Road \$3.249.

Yeas: Agena, Borrenpohl, Evans, Nays; none motion carried.

Chairman Evans opened the public hearing on the one- and six-year road plan at 9:04 A.M.

The board reviewed the plan with Highway Supt. Schardt.

Chairman Evans closed the public hearing at 9:11 A.M.

A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Borrenpohl to accept and adopt the Johnson County One- and Six-year Road plan. Yeas; Agena, Borrenpohl, Evans, Nays; none motion carried.

Highway Supt. Schardt also informed the board that the County Bridge Match project did not get priority.

Discussion on the City ponds at the fairgrounds was discussed. Matt has been asked for help from the county with dirt building for a trap shooting area. The board thought that they should contact the City and the Fair board first.

Chairman Evans opened the hearing on the Special Use Permit filed by RDJ Auto Sales in Section 25-6-10. Danny and Artis Fisher were present. Danny informed the board of the nature of the business.

Chairman Evans closed the hearing at 9:43 A.M.

A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Borrenpohl to approve the Special Use Permit. Yeas: Agena, Borrenpohl, Evans, Nays; none motion carried.

Austin Partridge Director, Public Finance FNCM was present at the meeting to discuss bond structure and interest rates, and to explain how this process works.

A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Borrenpohl to go into closed session at 10:15 A.M. Yeas: Agena, Borrenpohl, Evans, Nays; none motion carried.

The purpose of the closed session was to review the recommendation from the Grievance Board

A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Borrenpohl to come out of closed session at 10:15 A.M. Yeas: Agena, Borrenpohl, Evans, Nays; none motion carried.

A motion was made by Agena and was seconded by Evans to accept the recommendation of the Grievance Board findings. Yeas; Agena, Evans, Nays; none Abstain: Borrenpohl, motion carried.

The board discussed doing split shifts at the Road Department. A motion was made by Borrenpohl and was seconded by Agena to do split shifts at the Road Department. Yeas; Agena, Borrenpohl, Evans, Nays; none motion carried.

A motion was made by Evans to decrease staffing by one employee in the Road Department. Motion failed for lack of a second.

The board discussed Rock and if the board wanted to purchase more rock from another fund because the Rock budget is almost at the allotted amount out of this year's budget. No decision was made.

A motion was made by Borrenpohl and was seconded by Agena to approve the contract between Johnson County and Berggren Architects for the Exterior Restoration project. Yeas; Agena, Borrenpohl, Evans, Nays; none motion carried.

The board acknowledged the Return of Sale Proceedings from the Johnson County Treasurer the list is all of the parcels in Johnson County that were sold by the County Treasurer for delinquent real estate taxes.

The Johnson County Board of Commissioners adjourned the meeting at 12:15 P.M. The board will meet again in regular session on Tuesday April 11, 2023, at 8:15 A.M. All board meetings are open to the public; the agenda is being kept current and available at the County Clerk's Office.

_____ Ted Evans Chairman

_____ Kathleen M. Nieveen County Clerk