

SALINE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The regular meeting of the Saline County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:32 a.m. on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, by Chairperson Phil Hardenburger. Present were Hardenburger, Stephanie A. Krivohlavek, Marvin A. Kohout, Janet J. Henning, and Russ Karpisek Commissioners, County Clerk Anita K. Bartels and County Attorney David C. Solheim.

Notice of said meeting was posted in the County Clerk's Office and published in all three county newspapers on May 17, 2023, in compliance with State Statutes.

Hardenburger advised those present of the open meetings act posted at the back of the room and that all proceedings are electronically recorded.

Henning moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Hardenburger, Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

Karpisek moved to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2023 meeting, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek and Hardenburger, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve Resolution #2023-28, Establish a rule of three (3) minutes per person attending to speak during the Citizens Forum, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Kohout, Krivohlavek, Hardenburger and Henning, Karpisek nay, motion carried.

Under Citizens Forum, Lester Ralston addressed the Board.

Under Correspondence, Bartels reported receiving an email estimate from Cory Lyons with Braxter Construction regarding demo of the interior of the old jail building; from the City of Crete the Airport Advisory Board May 11th meeting notice, the May 16th Council and Council meeting agendas, notice of their May 22nd Planning Commission meeting and notice of a May 22nd Public Hearing of their Planning Commission; and from SENDD their May 25th meeting agenda and minutes of their April 2023 meeting.

Under Report of Officials, Karpisek report on a Wellness Committee meeting and the upcoming BRAN (Bike Ride Across American) event.

Krivohlavek reported on an Insurance Committee meeting.

Kohout reported on meetings with the Employee Recognition Committee, Planning & Zoning, Wellness Committee, Safety Committee, Cyber Security, Board of Adjustments and the Employee Summer Picnic.

Henning reported on a meeting with Public Health Solutions.

Hardenburger reported on meetings with the Ag Society, Extension Board, Insurance Committee, Board of Adjustments and the SE Adult Drug Court graduation.

Jerad Reimers, Community Liaison for Congressman Adrian Smith, presented an update from the Congressman's office and took questions from the Board.

At 10:00 a.m. Krivohlavek moved to close the bids for Public Defender, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Kohout, Krivohlavek, Hardenburger, Henning and Karpisek, nays none, motion carried.

Two bidders submitted bids. Gropp Law & Mediation, LLC, Wilber, NE and Polaris Law Group, Lincoln, NE. Bids were read aloud and are made part of these minutes as public record.

Karpisek moved to accept the Gropp Law Office Option 2 bid for Public Defender, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Hardenburger, Henning, Karpisek and Kohout, nays none, motion carried.

Chris Reece, representing the Nebraska Drug Court gave an update on services provided, presented for approval a 2023-2024 Interlocal Agreement and their 2023-2024 request for funds. Henning moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Hardenburger, Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

Patrick Kreifels, Regional Administrator at Region V Systems, gave an annual update on services provided and presented their request for 2023-2024 funds.

At 11:12 a.m. Hardenburger announced the Board would recess;

At 11:18 a.m. Hardenburger announced the Board would reconvene;

Karpisek moved to approve the Blobaum & Busboom, P.C., acceptance and understanding to prepare a proposed budget and accompanying schedules for the year ended June 30, 2024, seconded by Henning. Voting aye were Kohout, Krivohlavek, Hardenburger, Henning and Karpisek, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve Resolution #2023-26, to establish a petty cash fund for the Sheriff's Office, not to exceed \$10,000.00, with any balance over \$10,000.00 is to

be submitted to the Saline County Treasurer, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Hardenburger, Henning, Karpisek and Kohout, nays none, motion carried.

Kohout moved to approve the Electronic Contracting Company Inc., Milestone Care Plus Renewal beginning July 1, 2023 for the security cameras at the Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center in the amount of \$3,366.00, seconded by Henning. Voting aye were Hardenburger, Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

Krivohlavek moved to approve the installation of a security window in the Clerk's office at a cost of \$13,500.00, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Henning, Kohout, Krivohlavek and Hardenburger, Karpisek nay, motion carried.

Lyle Weber, Planning & Zoning Administrator presented for approval a minor subdivision at 34-5-1 for Allen & Tammy Lintz. Karpisek moved to approve, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek and Hardenburger, nays none, motion carried.

Weber presented for approval a minor subdivision at 7-6-1 for Alan Skrivanek. Krivohlavek moved to approve, seconded by Henning. Voting aye were Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek, Hardenburger and Henning, nays none, motion carried.

Karpisek moved to approve the National Insurance Services, Life and Long-Term Disability, Madison National Life Insurance Company Renewal, Group #020406 – effective July 1, 2023, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Henning, Hardenburger, Kohout, Krivohlavek and Karpisek, nays none, motion carried.

Karpisek moved to approve the NACO VSP Vision Insurance Plan Renewal effective July 1, 2023, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek, Hardenburger and Henning, nays none, motion carried.

Krivohlavek moved to approve the NACO Blue Cross Blue Shield Subgroup Application for Health Insurance effective July 1, 2023, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Kohout, Krivohlavek, Hardenburger, Henning and Karpisek, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to accept with reluctance the letter of retirement submitted by County Clerk Anita Bartels, effective June 30, 2023, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Hardenburger, Henning, Karpisek and Kohout, nays none, motion carried.

Karpisek moved to approve using ARPA funds for the Law Enforcement Water heater replacement in the amount of \$23,117.45, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Hardenburger, Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the possibility of a capital improvement/replacement fund in the budget for the Law Enforcement Center. The Law Enforcement Center is now twenty (20) years old. There were concerns expressed on how to budget/plan for possible repairs or replacement of equipment as it wears out or breaks down. Bartels is to contact Brian Blobaum, CPA for a recommendation.

Henning moved to approve Resolution #2023-27, transferring \$298.22 from the Grant Fund to the General Fund for the purpose of reimbursing the General Fund for Grant Retirement contributions, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek, Hardenburger and Henning, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve Resolution #2023-29, transferring \$5,500.00 from the Inheritance Fund to the Juvenile Services Aid Program, to be reimbursed when funds become available, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Kohout, Krivohlavek, Hardenburger, Henning and Karpisek, nays none, motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Bruce Filipi presented a Speece Lewis change order for project C76(778) indicating a reduction of \$378.50 for approval. Henning moved to approve, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek and Hardenburger, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve the claims as presented, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Hardenburger, Henning, Karpisek and Kohout, nays none, motion carried.

All Claims		
All Star Glass	Equip Rpr	575.00
Rebecca Anderson	Atty Fees	470.25
Joseph Bixby	MH	258.95
Gerald Brown	P&Z	29.41
Daryl Clark	Mlg	177.50
Consolidated Mgt	Trng	197.75

Crete Ace Hardware	Spls	75.99
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CAMC	Cntrct	294.71
Dollar General	Spls	50.25
Mark Due	P&Z	62.16
Eakes	Spls	904.37
ECC	Cntrct	3,366.00
Entenmann-Rovin	Unfrm	654.40
Equifax	Cntrct	14.99
Esri	Cntrct	4,510.00
Farmers Coop	Fuel	431.34
First Concord	Ins	5,374.02
First Concord	Ins	469.00
Flagz	Spls	984.32
Friend Community Healthcare System	Cntrct	330.00
Greatamerica	Cntrct	337.63
Gropp Law	Reimb	200.00
Scott Gropp	Atty Fees	6,666.67
Gworks	Cntrct	14,868.00
Hanson Hroch & Kuntz	Atty Fees	2,223.00
David Hermsmeier	P&Z	16.31
The Home Depot Pro	Spls	42.06
Kalkwarf & Smith	Atty Fees	1,140.00
Zac Keating	Cntrct	691.24
Marvin Kohout	Mlg	300.65
Jeffrey Koll	P&Z	29.41
Matthew Kosmicki	Atty Fees	7,432.49
Sandra Krivohlavek	EB	36.25
Language Line	Cntrct	78.44
Ingrid Lindal	Mlg	28.82
Mallory Safety	Unfrm	703.21
Maximus	Cntrct	2,600.00
Menards	Spls	341.44
Midwest Court Reporting	MH	305.02
Keith Muller	P&Z	19.59
NACO	Trng	375.00
State Fire Marshal	Cntrct	162.00
Nebraska.Gov	Cntrct	24.50
Nickles Painting	Bldg Maint	1,400.00
Kellen Novak	EB	27.50
Quadient	Cntrct	1,298.04
Quill	Spls	55.99
Region V Systems	Cntrct	1,070.00
Saline Co Dist Crt	Reimb	117.57
Sec of State	Cntrct	20.00
Dillon Semrad	Reimb	132.00
Seward Co Independent	P&P	1,729.11
Shop Qwik	Fuel	245.31
Siemens	Bldg Maint	1,250.80
Stanard Appraisal	Cntrct	5,070.00
State of NE	Cntrct	56.88
Deborah Steuk	EB	48.75
Anita Stougard	Mlg	72.71
Summit	Cntrct	10,046.38
Thomson Reuters	Cntrct	808.57
Univ of NE	Reimb	2,105.43
Extension Saline Co	Reimb	87.73

Becky Vales	Mlg	148.03
Carroll Verhage	MH	258.95
Verizon	Comm	2,084.93
Visa	Trng	19.67
Visa	Spls	118.62
Visa	Fuel	70.31
Visa	Spls	288.00
Visa	Emp Rec	18.99
Visa	Equip	521.04
Visa	Spls	271.61
Walker	Cntrct	62.34
Mary Jo Weber	P&Z	62.16
Madeline Werner	Mlg	400.66
Windstream	Comm	1,431.07
Ace Irrigation	Spls	9,472.00
Anderson Auto	Spls	144.55
B'S Ent	Spls	622.00
Beatrice Concrete	Gravel	47,068.56
City of Friend	Utly	44.35
Crete Ace Hardware	Spls	330.47
CAMC	Cntrct	215.00
Crete Auto Supply	Spls	997.90
Crete Lumber	Spls	120.95
Esri	Cntrct	330.00
Farmers Union Coop	Fuel	1,821.21
Gworks	Cntrct	2,898.00
Johnson Sand	Gravel	10,892.44
NPPD	Utly	521.97
Seward Co Independent	P&P	57.80
Speece-Lewis	Eng Fees	5,140.64
Village of Swanton	Utly	65.53
Visa	Taxes	1,348.54
Vogt Electric	Bldg Maint	1,186.44
Nebraska Czechs of Wilber	Reimb	1,500.00
MIPS	Cntrct	220.00
Visa	Spls	70.24
Aging Partners	Cntrct	1,350.00
City of Crete	Rent	120.00
Samantha Cosaert	Prgm	285.00
Culligan	Cntrct	36.00
Marcia Emal	Prgm	340.18
Farmers Coop	Fuel	105.72
Purfoods	Prgm	150.00
Visa	Spls	27.47
Visa	Prgm	387.09
Wilber Care Center	Prgm	660.00
Kalkwarf & Smith	Atty Fees	1,200.00
Quill	Spls	27.74
Anita Stougard	Prgm	1,408.24
MMC	Bldg Maint	151,640.00
Geocomm	Cntrct	714.15
Windstream	Comm	250.46
Geocomm Inc	Cntrct	4,046.85
Windstream	Comm	1,106.95
Bob Barker Co	Spls	403.14
Lincoln Journal Star	Sub	3,634.99
Summit	Spls	6,135.69

UBT	Bond	39,271.93
First State Bank	Pmt	49,089.75
iSolved Payroll, Taxes & Payments	Payroll & Taxes	233,015.12
Ameritas Life	Retire	27,642.27
BC/BS	Hlth Ins	120,450.64
Principal Dental	Dental Ins	2,078.84
Madison Nat'l Life	Life Ins	56.26
AFLAC	Ins	988.29
VSP	Eye Ins	465.52
Empower	Def Comp	2,192.00
First Concord	Café	1,638.12
Colonial Supp Ins	Ins	164.87
Madison Nat'l Life	Dis Ins	195.27
Teamsters	Dues	297.00
New York Life	Ins	95.64
Globe Life	Ins	213.64
Saline County Court	Garnish	605.42
Bruce Wingerd	Garnish	512.74

At 12:16 p.m. Henning moved to enter closed session to discuss Inmate Medical, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Hardenburger, Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

During closed session Henning left the meeting.

At 1:26 p.m. Krivohlavek moved to exit closed session, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek and Hardenburger, nays none, motion carried. Henning was absent.

Hardenburger announced during closed session no action was taken.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:27 p.m. The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. in the Saline County Commissioners' Room, Court House, Wilber, NE.

ATTEST:

Anita K. Bartels, County Clerk

Janet J. Henning

Stephanie A. Krivohlavek, Vice-Chairperson

Marvin A. Kohout

Phil Hardenburger, Chairperson

Russ Karpisek

I, Anita K. Bartels, County Clerk in and for Saline County, do hereby certify that the minutes of the previous meeting held on May 9, 2023 were approved as presented.

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