

Osceola, Nebraska
May 20, 2025

Pursuant to notice published in the May 15th, 2025 issue of the Polk County News, the Board of County Commissioners convened at 9:30 a.m. with all members present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Chairman Westring informed those in attendance that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room.

Claims were audited and a motion was made by Westring that claims be allowed and warrants drawn against the various funds in the amounts listed below. The motion was seconded by Boruch and the roll call vote was Westring, aye; Boruch, aye; Boss, aye.

GENERAL FUND

General Fund	Salaries	\$87,324.08
Annie Jeffrey Memorial Co. Health	Service	\$2,847.96
Applied Connective Technologies	Supplies	\$139.95
Ascend Norfolk Lodge & Suites	Lodging	\$375.00
Aurora Cooperative	Supplies	\$62.79
Benchmark Government Solutions LLC	Service	\$153.45
Black Hills Energy	Utilities	\$391.60
Bryan Medical Center	Supplies	\$63.00
Burg Auto Repair Inc.	Service	\$97.72
Jack Carter	Mileage	\$9.80
Central Valley AG	Supplies	\$1,150.61
City of Osceola	Utilities	\$144.78
CJT Electric	Service	\$194.50
Clerk of the District Court	Service	\$137.00
Jennifer Conkel	Mileage	\$202.30
Cubby's, Inc.	Fuel	\$124.07
DAS State Acctg-Central Finance	Service	\$209.00
Dubas Funeral Home, Inc.	Service	\$715.00
Economy Hometown Market	Supplies	\$60.00
Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co.	Life Insurance	\$170.39
Cheryl Erickson	Mileage	\$188.30
Frontier Cooperative Company	Fuel	\$1,310.16
Gary's Plumbing LLC	Supplies	\$36.14
Great Plains Uniforms	Supplies	\$528.55
Intoximeters Inc.	Service	\$373.00
Johansen Repair	Service	\$7,440.00
Crystal Jones	Mileage	\$54.60
Menards-Columbus	Supplies	\$288.82
NE Health & Human Service	Service	\$90.00
Olson's Pest Technicians Inc.	Service	\$205.00
Osceola Food Mart	Supplies	\$181.24
Osceola Tire & Service	Service	\$88.90
Ostmeyer Lawn Service	Supplies	\$370.00
Physicians Laboratory, P.C.	Service	\$424.00
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies	\$669.59
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies	\$596.57
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies/Service	\$150.72
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Service/Supplies	\$2,405.28
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies/Service	\$1,083.64
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Service	\$10.13
Polk County Court	Service	\$91.00
Polk County Crime Stoppers	Donation	\$500.00
Polk County Extension Tax Account	Reimbursement	\$355.57
Polk Co. Clerk Retirement Deposit	Retirement	\$5,930.38
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$6,598.76
Jodie Roberts	Supplies	\$4.79
Shelby Auto Clinic	Service	\$72.98
Jaci Swantek	Mileage	\$107.80
Thomson Reuters-West	Service	\$2,196.78
Brenda Toline	Mileage	\$112.00
Tonniges Chevrolet Inc.	Service	\$527.12
Verizon Wireless	Service	\$71.33

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VVS, Inc. Canteen	Supplies	\$126.04
VYVE Broadband	Service	\$721.64
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$16.83

ROAD FUND

Road Fund	Salaries	\$35,956.60
Black Hills Energy	Service	\$277.54
Central Valley AG	Supplies	\$343.77
Cintas	Supplies	\$91.16
City of Osceola	Service	\$107.65
Cubby's, Inc.	Supplies	\$391.43
Curtis Ericson	Service	\$22.58
Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co.	Life Insurance	\$81.55
Frontier Cooperative Company	Supplies	\$853.81
JEO Consulting Group Inc.	Service	\$16,160.00
John Deere Financial	Service/Supplies	\$345.79
Medical Enterprises Inc.	Supplies	\$5.00
Mentink Electric	Service	\$1,906.97
Midwest Service & Sales Co.	Supplies	\$14,280.20
NMC, Inc.	Service/Supplies	\$3,477.11
Overland Sand & Gravel	Supplies	\$4,073.45
Pinnacle Bank-Visa	Service	\$498.05
Polk Co. Clerk Retirement Deposit	Retirement	\$2,202.94
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$2,729.09
Polk County Health Ins. Deductible	Reimbursement	\$2,100.00
Polk County Health Department	Service	\$70.00
Polk Light & Water	Service	\$106.61
Rally Auto Parts	Supplies	\$1,844.67
Shelby Auto Clinic	Supplies	\$114.84
Shelby Lumber Co. Inc.	Supplies	\$61.05
Verizon Wireless	Service	\$66.08
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$251.71

SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES FUND

Midwest Covenant Home	Expenses	\$13,065.72
VYVE Broadband	Service	\$374.82

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

Applied Connective Technologies	Service	\$9,219.00
DAS State Acct-Central Finance	Service	\$345.75
Kutsch Construction	Service	\$2,040.00

HIGHWAY BONDS FUND

BOKF, NA	Interest	\$5,130.00
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WEED FUND

Black Hills Energy	Utilities	\$53.99
James Carlson	Reimbursement	\$80.00
City of Osceola	Service	\$106.77
Constellation New Energy Gas Division	Service	\$22.10
Frontier Cooperative	Supplies	\$402.79
Osceola Tire & Service	Service	\$384.92

The following fees for the month of April were earned by the various offices and submitted to the County Treasurer. County Treasurer receipts show fees earned were credited to the appropriate county funds.

Jodie L. Roberts, Clerk of Dist. Court	\$2.00
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The Board and Sheriff Ladwig discussed the need to purchase three additional portable radios. Two are needed to replace broken radios and the third will become a spare to have available in case of emergency. A motion was made by Boruch to approve the purchase of three Motorola portable radios from Platte Valley Communications. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, aye.

The updated interlocal agreements for Region 5 Systems and Apac which have been approved the Regional Governing Boards were submitted for county board approval. A motion was made by Boss to approve both interlocal agreements and authorize the Chairman to sign both agreements. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boss, aye; Westring, aye; Boruch, aye.

Cal Marak with the Polk County Ag Society met with the Board regarding the liquor license required for the beer garden at the Polk County Fair. The Fair Board is requesting a license for July 9, July 10, July 11, July 12, and July 13 for events to be held in the grandstand/arena area. A motion was made by Boruch to approve Polk County Ag Society's request for a liquor license for a beer garden during the Polk County Fair on July 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, and 13th, 2025. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, aye.

Shauna Drozd met with the Board to ask for approval for a special designated permit to have alcohol at a function to be held on the Polk County Fairgrounds. A motion was made by Boruch to allow Polk County Recreational Association to sell and serve alcohol on June 14th, 2025 in the Ag Pavilion on the Polk County Fairgrounds. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, aye.

Emergency Manager Logan Watts updated the Board on the activities of his department. While the winter was mild in terms of severe winter storms, the last storm of the season did result in several travelers needing emergency shelter. To help with future emergency shelter situations, grant funds are being sought to pay for emergency kits and cots. An incident plan has been completed for Stromsburg's Swedish Festival and Watts is working on a plan for the County Fair. This spring severe weather season, York and Seward Counties were awarded weather radios for their residents and an application will be submitted this fall for Polk County.

Highway Supt. Theis updated the Board on the work being done in the Road Dept. The trees have now all been trimmed along the Osceola North and Shelby North overlay projects. More follow up questions have been received and successfully answered regarding the application for federal assistance for the 141st Road West project. The culvert issues reported by the crew continue to be addressed and repaired. There are fiber optic installation crews working between Osceola and Stromsburg.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m. to meet again on May 27th and June 3rd, 2025. An agenda of the meetings will be available at the office of the County Clerk.

Approved: /S/ Debra S. Girard /S/ Jerry Westring
County Clerk Chairman