

Osceola, Nebraska  
April 21, 2020

Pursuant to notice given in the minutes of the meeting of April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and published in the April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 issue of the Polk County News, the Board of County Commissioners convened via Zoom 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 on the Polk County website.

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

#### GENERAL FUND

General Fund	Salaries	\$56,696.94
Annie Jeffrey Health Center	Service/Supplies	\$394.50
Augie's Auto Body Repair	Service	\$649.41
Black Hills Energy	Service	\$639.74
Bob Barker Company Inc.	Supplies	\$71.83
Central Valley AG	Fuel	\$957.16
Clerk of the Supreme Court	Service	\$50.00
Eakes Office Solutions	Supplies	\$65.40
Economy Hometown Market	Supplies	\$288.69
Election Systems & Software	Supplies	\$3,072.42
Frontier Cooperative Company	Supplies	\$1,007.49
Debra S Girard	Supplies	\$20.72
MARC	Supplies	\$270.00
Timothy P Matas	Service	\$589.00
NE Health & Human Services	Services	\$93.00
Ne Public Health Environmental Lab	Service	\$105.00
Office.NET	Service	\$1,030.94
Jennifer Osborne	Service	\$48.30
Osceola FoodMart	Supplies	\$116.51
Osceola Tire & Service	Service	\$70.50
Colleen Pallas	Reimbursement	\$58.40
Philips Lifeline	Service	\$764.73
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies	\$46.82
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Service	\$167.53
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Service	\$113.88
Pioneer Telephone	Service	\$162.62
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Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$4,337.26
Polk County Court	Service	\$109.00
Polk County Extension Tax Account	Supplies	\$360.66
Polk County News LLC	Service	\$811.64
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas	Retirement	\$3,936.27
Sleuth	Court Costs	\$1,784.00
Tooley's Osceola Pharmacy	Supplies	\$6.94
Triple S Service	Service	\$110.00
Trouba Law Offices, LLC	Service	\$1,121.00
Verizon Wireless	Service	\$33.72
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$2,195.39
Kim Winslow	Reimbursement	\$110.91
York County Court	Service	\$3.00

#### ROAD FUND

Road	Salaries	\$26,569.76
Black Hills Energy	Fuel	\$249.37
Johnson Sand & Gravel Co. Inc.	Supplies	\$2,108.09
NMC, Exchange LLC	Service	\$6,837.72
Pioneer Telephone	Service	\$12.80
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$2,032.56
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas	Retirement	\$1,751.85
Strobel Manufacturing Inc.	Supplies	\$581.00
Verizon Wireless	Service	\$68.55
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$241.68

SENIOR SERVICES FUND

Eagle Broadband	Service	\$291.00
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INHERITANCE TAX FUND

DAS State Accounting -Central Finance	Computer Expense	563.32
Standard Appraisal Services Inc.	Fees	7,406.00

911 EMERGENCY SERVICE FUND

Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	982.46
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WEED FUND

Black Hills Energy	Service	\$30.34
Osceola Tire & Service	Supplies	\$61.77

The Board approved the collateral pledged by Polk County banks and held in custody by the County Treasurer.

The following fees for the month of March 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 the Dist. Court	\$180.00
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The termination of the lease with the City of Stromsburg for the building where the Polk County Senior Center office and program kitchen were housed was discussed. Since the management of the program and the meal preparation is now under contract with Midwest Covenant Home and the City of Stromsburg owned space is not needed, a motion was made by Westring to approve the termination of the lease agreement with the City of Stromsburg. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Westring, aye; Boss, aye; Boruch, aye. As part of the terms of the termination agreement, Polk County shall not pay rent or utilities for the final two months of the original lease agreement (May and June 2020) in exchange for transferring ownership of the fixtures and equipment belonging to Polk County currently located on the leased premises.

The Board reviewed the Cash-In-Lieu option that is part of the County’s cafeteria plan. A motion was made by Boss to continue to offer the cash-in-lieu program with the monthly cash option to remain at \$400 for the 2020-2021 plan year. The motion was seconded by Boruch and the roll call vote was Boss, aye; Boruch, aye; Westring, aye.

Colleen Pallas updated the Board on the status of the Extension Office. She has been working from home as directed by the University of Nebraska. Zoom interviews were held for the position previously held by Amy Peterson and an offer was extended to an applicant yesterday. They have been providing virtual learning opportunities for kids and kit for them as well. A meeting will be held with the Fair Board tonight regarding plans for the Polk County Fair.

At 10:00 a.m., a motion was made by Westring to open the hearing on the conditional use permit for a tract in the Southeast Quarter of Section 16, Township 13, Range 1 as advertised. Brett Yochum will be the operator of the proposed brooder site. The site will provide fertilized eggs for the Lincoln Premium Poultry’s hatchery facilities that supply chicks to the Costco broiler barns in the area. Andy Scholting of Nutrient Advisors provided information to the Board on Mr. Yochum’s behalf. Jessica Kolterman and Willow Holoubek with Lincoln Premium Poultry also provided information about the proposed operation. Chairman Westring stated he had received concerns about the odor and increased truck traffic. Donna Nissen, a landowner in the area, questioned how death loss in the barns would be handled. At 10:45 a.m., a motion was made by Boss to close the hearing. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boss, aye; Westring, aye; Boruch, aye. After some discussion and review of the evidence and testimony, a motion was made by Boss to approve the application for a conditional use permit because it complies with the Comprehensive Plan and meets all the requirements of the zoning regulations of Polk County, Nebraska, including those contained in Article 6 of the Zoning Regulations with the condition that the buildings erected for this conditional use will be satisfactorily maintained or destroyed at such time as they are no longer

