

Osceola, Nebraska
May 4, 2021

Pursuant to notice published in the April 29th, 2021 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 on the wall of the Commissioner's room.

Claims were audited and a motion 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

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| General | Salaries | \$58,317.18 |
| Advanced Correctional Health Care | Supplies | \$7.47 |
| Augie's Autobody Repair | Service | \$677.78 |
| Blue Cross Blue Shield | Health Insurance | \$21,314.50 |
| Shelia Cermak | Mileage | \$206.64 |
| Consolidated Management Company | Service | \$42.84 |
| DAS State Acts-Central Finance | Service | \$448.00 |
| Judy Dicke | Service | \$43.44 |
| Eakes Office Solutions | Supplies | \$106.72 |
| Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co. | Life Insurance | \$152.65 |
| Jill Goedecken | Service | \$80.40 |
| Grafton Law office | Service | \$190.00 |
| National Pen Co. LLC | Supplies | \$650.40 |
| NE Law Enforcement Training Center | Service | \$135.00 |
| Officenet | Supplies | \$334.27 |
| Jennifer Osborne | Service | \$50.00 |
| Pinnacle Bank Visa | Supplies | \$105.89 |
| Pinnacle Bank Visa | Service | \$15.50 |
| Platte County Detention Facility | Service | \$3,600.00 |
| Polk County Tax Deposit Account | Social Security | \$4,276.32 |
| Polk County Rural Public Power | Service | \$1,484.01 |
| Polk County Sheriff | Service | \$82.54 |
| Retirement Plan Division Ameritas | Retirement | \$3,903.32 |
| UNL Eastern NE Research & Extension | 3rd Quarter | \$7,490.81 |
| VVS, Inc. Canteen | Supplies | \$29.95 |
| Watts Electric Company | Rent | \$600.00 |
| Darla Winslow | Reimbursement | \$123.00 |

ROAD FUND

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| Road Fund | Salaries | \$26,278.21 |
| Black Hills Energy | Service | \$98.14 |
| Blue Cross Blue Shield | Health Insurance | \$9,378.38 |
| Carl's Skrap | Service | \$36.00 |
| Dale R Johnson Enterprises | Supplies | \$18,078.27 |
| Ed Hoevet Excavating | Service | \$21,450.00 |
| Curtis Ericson | Reimbursement | \$16.86 |
| Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co. | Life Insurance | \$76.25 |
| Hays Land Surveying, LLC | Service | \$263.44 |
| Johnson Sand & Gravel Co. Inc. | Supplies | \$608.81 |
| Osceola Implement & Supply Inc. | Supplies | \$120.81 |
| Overhead Door Co of Columbus | Service | \$509.45 |
| Polk County Tax Deposit Account | Social Security | \$1,985.72 |
| Polk County Rural Public Power Dist. | Service | \$235.05 |
| Retirement Plan Division Ameritas | Retirement | \$1,697.35 |
| Windstream Nebraska Inc. | Service | \$193.06 |
| Zee Medical Service | Supplies | \$265.10 |

SENIOR SERVICES FUND

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| Sanford Health | Service | \$50.00 |
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INHERITANCE TAX FUND

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| Custom Cage | Supplies | \$2,165.00 |
| MIPS | Service | \$2,124.60 |

911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

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| Windstream Nebraska Inc. | Service | \$256.68 |
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HIGHWAY BONDS FUND

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| BOKF, NA | Interest | \$21,510.00 |
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WEED FUND

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| Blue River Power and Rental | Equipment | \$475.41 |
| ConstellationNewenergy Gas Division | Service | \$210.75 |
| Polk County Rural Public Power Dist. | Service | \$48.88 |

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.

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| Dwaine W. Ladwig, Sheriff | \$1,261.23 |
| Debra S. Girard, County Clerk | \$7,872.57 |

The County Jail report for the month of April was reviewed by the Board and approved.

The NACO Blue Cross – Blue Shield \$2500 deductible plan will see a 3% increase in the premiums for the plan year which begins July 1st after two years of no increases. A motion was made by Boss to renew the \$2500 deductible PPO health insurance plan with the NACO Blue Cross Blue Shield group and to reimburse to the employee that portion of the deductible between \$500 and \$2500 that they themselves meet. In essence, the plan will be a \$500 deductible plan for the employee themselves and a \$2500 deductible plan for the spouse/children or family coverage paid for by those employees who wish to insure their family members through the county’s group plan. The motion was seconded by Boruch and the roll call vote was Boss, aye; Boruch, aye; Westring, aye. Participation in the NACO health insurance program also provides life insurance and long term disability insurance to county employees who enroll in the plan.

The official report of the annual evaluation of the Polk County Noxious Weed Program was reviewed by the Board. As explained by Weed Supt. Carlson at last week’s meeting, the program received none of the required continuing education points due to the lack of meetings offered last year due to Covid. Following the review, the Reports and Requirements Summary was signed by Chairman Westring.

Gene Schlesinger met with the Board to discuss the resolution passed regarding supporting the second amendment rights of Polk County citizens. After reading the text of the resolution and learning that the resolution passed by Polk County was drafted by the Buffalo County Attorney and used as a template in multiple counties, Mr. Schlesinger was satisfied with the content of the resolution.

A motion was made by Boruch authorizing the Chairman to sign the Law Enforcement Training Center contract for the deputy currently attending the Law Enforcement Training Center. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, aye.

Highway Supt. Theis updated the Board on the work being done in the Road Dept. Repair work has been completed on both bridges and the bridges have been reopened for travel. There were a few areas where water topped the roads south of Shelby following the 4 to 5 inch rain that occurred on Sunday. Repairs have been made to the red dump truck and it is back in service. Highway Supt. Theis and Road Foreman Ericson will attend a demonstration of a new Sany motorgrader in Seward County later this week.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m. to meet again on May 18th and 25th, 2021. An agenda of the meetings will be available at the office of the County Clerk.

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| Approved: | <u> /S/ Debra S. Girard </u> | <u> /S/ Jerry Westring </u> |
| | County Clerk | Chairman |