

Pursuant to notice given in the minutes of the meeting of August 25th, 2020 and published in the August 27th, 2020 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 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 Boss and the roll call vote was Westring, aye; Boss, aye; Boruch, aye.

GENERAL FUND

General	Salaries	\$57,644.61
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Insurance	\$23,019.66
Paul A. Clark	Service	\$1,814.50
Douglas County Sheriff	Service	\$39.21
Eagle Broadband, Inc.	Service	\$268.97
Eakes Office Solutions	Supplies	\$460.92
Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co.	Life Insurance	\$148.50
Gary's Plumbing LLC	Service	\$185.22
MARC	Supplies	\$319.60
Timothy P. Matas	Service	\$2,876.92
Microfilm Imaging Systems, Inc.	Service	\$38.00
ML Smith Law Office	Service	\$85.50
Mobile Binders	Supplies	\$661.82
North Printing & Office Supply	Supplies	\$31.90
Office.NET	Supplies	\$658.37
William Ouren	Service	\$75.00
Physicians Laboratory, P.C.	Service	\$407.00
Polk County Rural Public Power Dist.	Service	\$2,418.29
Polk County Sheriff	Service	\$181.86
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$4,238.52
Positive Promotions, Inc.	Supplies	\$3,468.70
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas	Retirement	\$3,833.03
Trouba Law Offices, LLC	Service	\$2,124.50
VVS, Inc. Canteen	Supplies	\$118.40
Watts Electric Company	Rent	\$600.00
York Medical Clinic PC	Service	\$194.00

ROAD FUND

Road Fund	Salaries	\$27,365.15
Advanced Fire & Safety, Inc.	Service	\$89.00
Black Hills Energy	Service	\$37.66
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Insurance	\$5,115.48
Carl's Skrap	Service	\$36.00
Dale R Johnson Enterprises	Supplies	\$55,640.45
Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co.	Life Insurance	\$82.40
Gworks	Supplies	\$428.40
Husker Auto Group LLC	Pickup	\$29,999.00
Johnson Sand & Gravel Co. Inc.	Gravel & Borrow	\$12,617.45
Midland Telecom Inc.	Service	\$95.00
NE Board of Educational Land & Fund	Clay	\$339.50
Osceola Implement & Supply Inc.	Supplies/Service	\$186.86
Pogue Construction Inc.	Supplies	\$2,705.15
Polk County Rural Public Power Dist.	Service	\$182.68
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$2,057.49
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas	Retirement	\$1,731.20
Skip's Radiator & Automotive	Service	\$1,026.50
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$183.08

SENIOR SERVICES FUND

Good Samaritan Society-Osceola	Service	\$90.00
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INHERITANCE TAX FUND

MIPS Inc.	Service	\$2,147.60
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911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$253.75
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WEED FUND

Constellation New Energy Gas Division	Service	\$6.13
Overhead Door Co of Columbus	Service	\$2,710.00
Polk County Rural Public Power Dist.	Service	\$47.60

The following fees for the month of August 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.

Dwaine W. Ladwig, Sheriff	\$799.72
Debra S. Girard, County Clerk	\$6,744.55

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

The annual inventories of various county officials were reviewed by the Board and approved.

The county budget was reviewed by the Board. The County Budget hearing will be held on Tuesday, September 15th at 10:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Boruch to approve the revised interlocal agreement for the Hwy 30/64 Corridor Project with Platte, Colfax, and Butler Counties and the City of Columbus. The revisions included details about the structure of the advisory board and the process for payment of the costs of the study. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, aye.

Stacy Gross with GeoGomm, Rachel Pensick with the Columbus/Platte County Joint Communications Center and Sheriff Ladwig met with the Board to discuss the possibility of Polk County entering into a joint communications agreement with Columbus/Platte County. GeoComm will conduct a feasibility study that will include documenting Polk County's workload and determining what functions would be transferred to the Columbus/Platte County Joint Communications Center. Sheriff Ladwig would like to have GeoComm also meet with representatives of the local fire departments to answer questions and provide details about the joint communications process before any final decision is made. GeoComm has previously worked with Hamilton and Merrick Counties, Nance and Boone Counties, and the City of Columbus and Platte County when these entities moved to joint communications for their jurisdictions.

A motion was made by Westring to adopt a resolution certifying the completion of the installation of the horizontal curved signing devices under NDOR Project No HRRR-STWD(90). The motion was seconded by Boruch and the roll call vote was Westring, aye; Boruch, aye; Boss, aye.

The bids for a brush cutter attachment for the grade-all machine were opened as advertised. Bids were received from two different vendors. A motion was made by Westring to accept the bid of Murphy Tractor and Equipment for a Fecon CEM-36 mulch head and to also purchase a Lexan Guard Kit to protect the windows of the grade-all from flying debris. The motion was seconded by Boruch and the roll call vote was Westring, aye; Boruch, aye; Boss, aye.

Supt. Theis also updated the Board on the work being done in the Road Dept. The final information has been submitted to NEMA for the flooding disaster last spring with a total project amount of \$143,023.28. Polk County should receive 75% of this amount to offset the costs incurred. Ed Hovet will look at bridges and structures in the county at the end of this week and will provide estimates on the cost of repairs.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m. to meet again on September 15th and 22nd, 2020. An agenda of the meetings will be available at the office of the County Clerk.

Approved:

/S/ Debra S. Girard
County Clerk

/S/ Jerry Westring
Chairman