

Osceola, Nebraska  
September 15, 2020

Pursuant to notice given in the minutes of the meeting of September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 and published in the September 10<sup>th</sup>, 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 Fund	Salaries	\$57,631.32
AG-News	Subscription	\$99.00
Annie Jeffrey Health Center	Service	\$232.00
Black Hills Energy	Service	\$88.04
Burg Auto Repair Inc.	Service	\$462.47
Central Valley AG	Fuel	\$730.92
Shelia Cermak	Mileage	\$142.60
City of Osceola	Utilities	\$805.83
Clerk of the District Court	Service	\$10.50
Colfax County Sheriff	Court Costs	\$6.50
Ronald Colling	Reimbursement	\$368.62
Connecting Point	Supplies	\$320.00
Cubby's, Inc.	Fuel	\$487.98
Dodge County Sheriff	Service	\$24.76
Douglas County Sheriff	Service	\$39.21
Eagle Broadband, Inc.	Service	\$1,074.11
Eagle Technology Solutions	Service	\$202.99
Eakes Office Solutions	Supplies	\$289.45
Economy Hometown Market	Supplies	\$137.39
Ken Ekeler	Service	\$65.00
Fort Dearborn Life Insurance	Life Insurance	\$148.74
FFF Enterprises, Inc.	Supplies	\$4,270.20
Fillman Law Office, LLC	Service	\$817.00
Frontier Cooperative Company	Fuel	\$912.15
Gary's Plumbing LLC	Supplies	\$13.39
Sheri L Gillotte	Mileage	\$109.25
HD Arms	Supplies	\$159.60
Holiday Inn	Lodging	\$599.70
Jackson Services Inc.	Supplies	\$117.85
Brenden Johnston	Service	\$225.00
Erik C Klutman	Service	\$317.30
Merrick County Sheriff	Service	\$126.90
Microfilm Imaging Systems, Inc.	Rent	\$128.00
National Pen Co. LLC	Supplies	\$112.29
NE Association of County Assessors	Dues	\$50.00
Nebraska Supreme Court	Agreement	\$6,761.55
Nebraska .Gov	Service	\$4.00
NSA/POAN Law Enforcement Conference	Registration	\$300.00
Office.NET	Supplies	\$771.55
Olson's Pest Technicians Inc.	Pest Control	\$195.00
Jennifer Osborne	Mileage	\$48.30
Osceola Food Mart	Supplies	\$131.67
Osceola Tire & Service	Service	\$525.85
Colleen Pallas	Mileage	\$138.00
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies/Service	\$32.91
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Pioneer Telephone	Service	\$27.19
Physicians Laboratory, P.C.	Service	\$407.00
Polk County News LLC	Service	\$694.63
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$4,237.55
Quadient Leasing USA, Inc.	Service	\$825.00
Quest Diagnostics	Service	\$97.86
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas	Retirement	\$3,880.97
Shelby Auto Clinic	Service	\$965.61
Shelby Lumber Co. Inc.	Supplies	\$13.98

Svehla, Thomas, Rauert, PC	Service	\$418.00
Jaci Swantek	Mileage	\$27.03
Verizon Wireless	Service	\$34.42
Verizon Wireless**	Service	\$190.06
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$1,149.34
York News Times	Service	\$19.95

#### ROAD FUND

Road	Salaries	\$27,755.90
Black Hills Energy	Utilities	\$55.69
Central Valley AG	Fuel	\$7,418.25
City of Osceola	Utilities	\$70.68
City of Stromsburg	Utilities	\$132.35
Dale R Johnson Enterprises	Gravel and Borrow	\$20,392.99
Eagle Broadband, Inc.	Service	\$72.61
Eakes Office Solutions	Supplies	\$35.66
Ericson Cash Hardware	Supplies	\$47.87
Filter Care	Parts	\$67.50
Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co.	Life Insurance	\$82.56
Friesen Auto	Service	\$105.92
Frontier Cooperative Company	Service	\$864.29
Garrett Tires & Treads	Service	\$1,774.80
Gary's Plumbing LLC	Supplies	\$71.47
Interstate Battery System of Nebraska	Parts	\$361.90
Island Supply Welding Company	Supplies	\$205.57
JEO Consulting Group Inc.	Fees	\$525.00
John Deere Financial	Parts	\$445.63
Johnson Sand & Gravel Co. Inc.	Gravel and Borrow	\$9,143.54
Midwest Service & Sales Co.	Sign /Culverts	\$4,146.40
NMC, Exchange LLC	Parts/Labor/Grease Oil	\$2,516.11
Office.NET	Equipment	\$29.40
Overland Sand & Gravel	Gravel and Borrow	\$42,741.10
Pinnacle Bank-Visa	Parts	\$394.79
Polk County News LLC	Service	\$11.71
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$2,087.38
Polk County Treasurer	Fees	\$29.00
Polk Light & Water	Utilities	\$103.95
Polk Service & Repair, Inc.	Parts/Labor/Grease Oil	\$774.76
Power Plan	Parts/Labor	\$10,847.79
Rally Auto Parts	Parts/Supplies	\$1,301.95
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas	Retirement	\$1,730.24
Shelby Auto Clinic	Grease/Oil	\$693.20
Verizon Wireless	Service	\$64.26
Village of Shelby	Utilities	\$91.40
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$56.65

#### SENIOR SERVICES FUND

Eagle Broadband, Inc.	Service	\$169.15
STR, LLC	Rent	\$200.00

#### INHERITANCE TAX FUND

DAS State Accounting-Central Finance	Computer Expense	\$936.32
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#### 911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Midwest Service & Sales Co.	Signs	\$565.50
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	983.58

#### WEED FUND

Black Hills Energy	Fuels	\$25.04
James Carlson	Reimbursement	\$80.00
City of Osceola	Utilities	68.65
Frontier Cooperative Company	Fuel	\$320.37
Osceola Tire & Service	Parts & Labor	\$114.98
Polk County News LLC	Service	\$106.00

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 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.

Jodie L. Roberts, Clerk of Dist. Court \$255.00

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

Stacen Gross with GeoGomm and Mike Epley with Platte Valley Communications met with the Board and Sheriff Ladwig via Zoom to determine a date and time to hold a meeting with representatives of the local fire departments and ambulance crews to gather information about a possible joint arrangement with Columbus/Platte County Joint Communications. A tentative date of September 29<sup>th</sup> in the evening at the Courthouse was set, contingent upon confirming the date and time would work for Rachel Pensick with the Columbus/Platte County Joint Communications Center.

A quote for communications equipment from Platte Valley Communications was reviewed. The equipment would establish a redundant system thru the NRIN network to provide communications capability should an emergency exist at the Polk County Sheriff's Office that would result in the loss of 911 services. The cost of the equipment would be paid from the 911 fund, using monies collected from phone surcharges. A motion was made by Boruch to approve the purchase and installation of communications equipment from Platte Valley Communications to provide a redundant system in the event the 911 system is compromised due to natural disaster or technical difficulties. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Westring, aye; Boss, aye.

At 10:00 a.m., a motion was made by Boruch to open the county budget hearing as advertised. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Westring, aye; Boss, aye. Treasurer Swanson and Assessor Cermak were also present for the hearing but no members of the general public attended. At 10:10 a.m., a motion was made by Boruch to close the hearing. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, aye. A motion was made by Boruch to adopt the 2020-2021 County Budget as proposed. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Westring, aye; Boss, aye. The adopted budget contains the following tax request:

General Fund	\$2,867,949.63
Equipment Sinking Fund	\$45,000.00
Veterans' Aid Fund	\$1,000.00
Highway Bond Fund	\$731,503.00
Hospital Fund	\$274,530.00
Total	\$3,919,982.63

Supt. Theis updated the Board on the work being done in the Road Dept. Gap sealer needs to be applied to the asphalt on 9<sup>th</sup> Street outside of Stromsburg and on the road going past the fairgrounds before winter. With last week's rain, county roads adjacent to fields where seed corn harvest was taking place became covered with mud. The road crew removed the mud as best they could and are maintaining the remainder of the county roads this week. A shipment of maintainer tires has been received this week. Ed Hovet and Ambrose Placek with Midwest Service and Sales looked at several bridges and structures in the county in need of repair and will provide estimates on the costs.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m. to meet again on September 22<sup>nd</sup> and October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020. 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