



# Richardson County Board Minutes



## RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS NOVEMBER 19, 2019

### CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sickel at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 19, 2019. Roll call was answered by Frank, Caverzagie and Sickel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sickel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Frank. Chairman Sickel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2019, meeting as read. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted at the Richardson County Courthouse in the First Floor Lobby, the Lower Level Lobby and on the Commissioner's Meeting Room door on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor and on the Richardson County website [www.co.richardson.ne.us](http://www.co.richardson.ne.us).

### ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.

Steve Darveau, Jr., Highway Superintendent updated the Board on the routine maintenance on county roads and bridges this past week.

Motion was made by Sickel to adopt Resolution 2019-2020-20 to hold a public hearing on Tuesday, December 17, 2019, to receive public input on the abandonment or vacation of a 66 feet wide county road to be vacated by Richardson County, being located in the SE1/4 SE1/4 of Section 30, Township 2 North, Range 18 East of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Richardson County, Nebraska, the center line of which is described as follows: Commencing at the SE corner of said Section 30, Thence S87 31'21"W (assumed bearing) on the south line of the SE1/4 of said section 30, 840.28 feet; thence N02 28'39"W, 112.18 feet to the point of beginning, said point also being the intersection of a driveway; thence S85 08'01"E, 149.12 feet; thence S72 13'12"E, 156.05 feet to the beginning of a curve to the left; thence on said curve having a radius of 96.92 feet, an arc length of 59.02 feet; a chord bearing S89 39'55"E, 58.11 feet; thence N67 27;51"E, 20.00 feet to the westerly end of a bridge; also known as a portion of 709 Road beginning at a point approximately 1795.67 feet east of 661 Avenue and then running east approximately 363.28 feet to the west approach of a closed bridge on 709 Road in which said bridge and that portion of 709 running east of the closed bridge was vacated on September 10, 2019. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 25, Page 28)

Motion was made by Frank to enter into Local Political Subdivision Acquisition Contracts with landowners for Project CO07421110 Humboldt North Project. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

### DISTRICT I PROBATION

Ashley Griess, Chief Probation Officer updated the Board on the activity of District I Probation in Richardson County. She offered statistical information on the services provided to Richardson County parolees and what services are available to assist those who need treatment for drug and alcohol abuse, anger management, trauma, mental health, etc.

### SHERIFF DEPT.



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Sheriff Hardesty and Chief Deputy Roland Merwin reviewed with the Board the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week. Clayton Hardenberger, Jail Administrator and Tyler Cooper, County Building Maintenance Technician were also in attendance at the meeting.

Discussion was held regarding the medical services that are made available to the inmates currently through the Community Medical Center and the possibility of entering into an agreement with Advanced Correctional Healthcare, Inc.

A review was also held on the equipment purchase for the in-car video and body camera system. Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve an amended quote with Brite to include an

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unlimited data storage cloud that can be utilized by all County Departments. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

A report was approved for Sheriff Hardesty for fees collected during the month of October, 2019, totaling \$14,470.55.

## **QUARTERLY SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Chairman Sickel declared that the quarterly safety committee meeting be opened at 11:33 a.m. Those present were Commissioners Frank, Caverzagie and Sickel; Tyler Cooper, Building Maintenance Technician; Tammie Beckner, Courthouse Maintenance and Sheriff Hardesty. Those absent were Elizabeth Frederick representing the Jail, Brian Kirkendall, EMA Director, Wyatt Martin representing the Road Department employees and Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, Jr.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve Clayton Hardenberger, Jail Administrator to the Safety Committee to replace Elizabeth Annie Frederick. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Tyler Cooper reported that he will address a problem with a joint seal on the sidewalk north of the Courthouse.

Tammie Beckner reported no problems but did mention that the Drug Take Back Box needed to be watched and emptied more often.

Chairman Sickel declared the Safety Committee meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m. The next meeting will be tentatively scheduled for February 4, 2020.

## **CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER**

### **Designated Official County Newspaper**

Motion was made by Sickel to designate the Falls City Journal as the Official County Newspaper for 2020. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

### **Meeting Schedule for 2020**

The Board held a discussion to consider meeting every 2 weeks beginning January 1, 2020. No action was taken.

### **Public Defender Contract**



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Motion was made by Sickel to enter into a contract with Steve Mercure to serve as the Richardson County Public Defender for a period of 4 years: 2020--\$68,000; 2021--\$69,000; 2022--\$70,000; and 2023--\$71,000. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

## CLAIM

Motion was made by Sickel to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted today. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

*(The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)*

### GENERAL FUND

Aitken, Robert, serv	4595.00
Brown, Ronald, serv	370.00
Cash-Wa Distributing, supp	654.52
Clerk of District Court, fees	396.00
Combined Public Communications, serv	275.00

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### GENERAL FUND (Cont.)

Community Medical Center, serv	750.00
DAS State Accounting, serv	132.00
Falls City Journal, adv	248.51
Falls City Mercantile, supp	233.37
First Concord Benefits, med reimb	4712.78
Fritz, Edward, serv	47.76
Goltz, Jeffrey, serv	90.00
CR19-269 R. Riding	
Handley Law Office	2188.00
CR19-41 J. Moyer, CR19-233 R. Riding, CR19-269 R. Riding, CR19-237 D. Pierce, serv	
Hector, Amy, serv	100.00
Humboldt Standard, adv	56.00
Iowa Tribe Police Dept., serv	630.00
JD Power, supp	256.80
Kawres, supp	285.00
KexRx, supp	760.71
Kirkendall, Brian, reimb	37.50
Lincoln National Life Ins., life ins	1114.58
Midwest Special Services, serv	157.50
OPPD, serv	54.88
Pro Serv Business Systems, serv	121.00
Ramada Kearney, lodg	89.00
Ram Exterminators, serv	45.00
Richardson County Clerk Petty Cash, reimb	10.00



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Richardson County EMA Petty Cash, reimb	81.67
Richardson County Sheriff, fees	568.21
Richardson County Vendor, FICA/retire	18028.54
Richardson, Kristy, reimb	177.56
Scholl Lawn & Landscape, serv	4072.28
Secretary of State, supp	20.00
Shafer, Max W, serv	320.00
Southeast District Assessors Assn., dues	25.00
SumnerOne, serv	33.00
True Value, supp	20.98
VonSeggern, William, serv	4000.00
Wolfe's Printing, supp	117.45
Payroll Expense	89533.31
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$135,408.91</b>

## ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Black Hills Energy, serv	27.00
Diversified Drug Testing, fee	50.00
Farm & City Supply, supp	801.96
Hamm Inc., rock	22115.04
NPPD, serv	102.63
Norris Quarries, rock	1215.84
OPPD, serv	34.70
Speece-Lewis Engineers, serv	1523.12
Unifirst, supp	40.14
Payroll Expense	37373.53
<b>TOTAL ROAD &amp; BRIDGE FUND</b>	<b>\$63,283.96</b>

## DRUG COURT FUNDS

Morrissey, Morrissey & Dalluge, serv	2200.00
Wiltse, Sarah, serv	2200.00
<b>TOTAL DRUG COURT FUNDS</b>	<b>\$4,400.00</b>

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## ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Caverzagie to adjourn the meeting at 12:25 p.m. Motion seconded by Sickel.  
 ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

David D. Sickel, Vice-Chairman

Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk