



Richardson County Board Minutes



**RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 12, 2022**

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, April 12, 2022. Roll call was answered by Karas, Caverzagie and Sickel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sickel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Caverzagie. Chairman Sickel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2022, meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-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 2nd Floor and on the Richardson County website www.co.richardson.ne.us.

ARPA FUNDS

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the allocation of \$700,000.00 of the American Rescue Plan Act funds received by Richardson County to be expended by Richardson County for various road and bridge projects, Courthouse improvements and communication upgrades. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to amend the previous motion to allocate a total of \$893,000 for County expenditures. Caverzagie later withdrew his motion.

The Board will continue the review for the use of the remaining unallocated ARPA funds and plan to make a final decision on awarding funds at the April 26, 2022 meeting.

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.

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

SENCA

Susan Keholm, CCAP Development Director of Southeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership, Inc. presented to the Board the Annual Report of the organization. Sherry Huddleston, Family Development Specialist located of the Falls City Outreach Office reported on the assistance that has been provided to Richardson County families from October, 2021 through March, 2022. Debbie Green, Coordinator for the SENCA Court Appointed Special Advocate program also gave a report on the number children that are serviced through the program in Richardson County.

Motion was made by Sickel to make a proclamation to declare May as Community Action Month in Richardson County. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

NAPE/AFSCME LOCAL61

Teleconference

The Board held a teleconference with Eddie Schooler and Erika Vasek from the Road Department



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Union NAPE/AFSCME Local 61 Office who will be serving on the Grievance Board for the Road Department Union. A consensus was reached on the appointment of Rick Hardesty, Richardson County Sheriff as the 5th person to serve on the grievance board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Sickel to go into an executive session at 10:50 a.m. for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual to discuss personnel matters with Sheriff Hardesty and Chief Deputy Roland Merwin who were in attendance. Motion seconded

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EXECUTIVE SESSION (Cont.)

by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to close the executive session at 11:21 a.m. and return to the regular meeting agenda. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye.

Motion was made by Karas to terminate the employment of Courthouse Maintenance, Cliff Phroper. After Chairman Sickel asked for a second to the motion two times, motion failed for lack of a second.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

Sheriff Hardesty met with the Board to review the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center.

A report was approved for Sheriff Hardesty for fees collected during the month of March, 2022, totaling \$4,071.51.

QUARTERLY JAIL INSPECTION

The Board conducted the quarterly jail inspection and found the facility to be in good order.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

Position for County Building Mtc Technician

The Board continued the review of the applicants who were interviewed for the position of County Building Maintenance Technician. The Board will continue the advertisement to accept applications for this position until the position is filled.

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Sickel to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted today. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-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

Caverzagie, John, reimb	124.61
Chaney Furniture, supp	1856.56



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Charm-Tex, supp	303.80
Clerk of District Court, fees	180.00
County Treasurer, tax	2027.42
Culligan, serv	112.36
Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts, Ziskey & Merwin, serv	864.50
CR21-207 T. Carter	
Farm & City Supply, supp	190.95
Humboldt Standard, adv	85.54
Kennedy, Kaytlyn, reimb	316.49
KexRx, supp	474.28
Kirkendall, Brian, reimb	14.00
KS HCI, rent	900.00
Ligouri Law Office, serv	1667.75
CR18-111 P. Doerr, CR18-43 P. Doerr	
Office Depot, supp	414.60
Paper Tiger Shredding, serv	40.00
Physicians Laboratory, serv	2050.00
Pictometry International, serv	32162.67

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CLAIMS (Cont.)

GENERAL FUND (Cont.)

Postmaster, supp	814.00
Region V Services, serv	3721.50
Richardson County Court, fees	1054.00
Richardson County EMA Petty Cash, reimb	392.44
Richardson County Sheriff, fees	1217.02
Richardson County Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb	1209.70
Richardson, Kristy, reimb	28.00
Scholl Lawn & Landscape, serv	129.00
SNC, serv	1038.39
Spartan Nash, supp	117.06
SumnerOne, serv	111.00
TK Elevator Corp., serv	389.25
True Value, supp	55.99
Unifirst, serv	50.00
Weaver & Merz, reimb	897.48
Wolfes Printing, supp	20.35
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$55,030.71

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Falls City Sanitation, serv	20.00
Falls City Utility Dept., serv	859.43
Martin Marietta Materials, rock	23392.44
Metzner, Dustin, reimb	6.30
Midwest Engineering, serv	39925.00
NPPD, serv	31.58



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Norris Quarries, rock	11352.32
Primrose Oil Co., supp	457.54
Richardson County Vendor, tax	1382.00
Rulo, Village of, serv	25.00
Salem, Village of, serv	20.50
Stella, Village of, serv	60.76
Unifirst, supp	45.49
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$77,578.36

SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUND

SNC, serv	141.00
TOTAL SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUND	\$141.00

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Caverzagie to adjourn the meeting at 12:15 p.m. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 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.

John Caverzagie, Vice-Chairman

Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk