



Richardson County Board Minutes



RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 21, 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, June 21, 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 June 14, 2022, meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Sickel. 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.

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.

Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, Jr. was unable to meet with the Board due to staff shortage at the Road and Bridge Department.

The Board reviewed the bids that were received at the June 7 meeting for the construction of a County shop at the Rulo site. Motion was made by Caverzagie that the County Board will not accept the bids for further consideration at this time and will consider to rebid the project at a later date. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

The Board received from the Highway Superintendent a report on the use of 660 Avenue between 711 Road and 712 Trail which has been requested by petitioners to be closed. Motion was made by Sickel to adopt Resolution 2021-2022-40 to set the public hearing date of Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. to receive public comment in support of or opposition to the closing of a road as described in the Road Record Book #1, Page 313, dated March, 1887 beginning 415' South of Main & 3rd St. in Town of Arago, thence 385' in a southeasterly direction to Klopstock St., thence E. of S. along the top of the ridge following the old road for about 170 rods to Section line between Secs. 12 & 13 to a point about 180 rods East of the corner of Secs. 11, 12, 13 & 14-2-17. Thence South about 60 rods, thence East about 70 rods to Range line between Range 17 & 18, thence South on the road located on the Range line Section 13, T2, R17 and Section 18, T2, R18, approximately 490' South, East of the 6th P.M. in Richardson County, Nebraska, also known as a portion of 660 Avenue between 711 Road and 712 Trail. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. (Resolution Book 26, Page 72)

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

Sheriff Hardesty was unable to meet with the Board due to staff shortages within the Department and was called to an accident. Kristen Morehead, Jail Administrator did update the Board on the business within the Law Enforcement Center.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve and enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Humboldt for the County to provide law enforcement services for a period of 3 years beginning September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2025 at a cost of \$228,887.70 (\$6,358.00/month). Motion seconded Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a request from the Sheriff for salary increases for Law Enforcement Center employees and were told what the salary increases have been for these positions at Nemaha, Johnson, Pawnee



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and Otoe counties to help with comparisons. Motion was made by Karas to approve salary increases for the following positions within the Law Enforcement Center with an effective date of July 1, 2022: Clerical #1--\$19.00/hour; Clerical #2--\$18.00/hour; Jailers--\$18.00/hour; Jail Supervisor--\$20.00/hour and Jail Administrator--\$22.00/hour. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

In the ongoing attempt to attract and retain staffing, a request was made that the Board
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LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER (Cont.)

consider eliminating the 90% of pay for the first 90 days of employment. Motion was made by Karas effective July 21, 2022, to approve the elimination of the following clause within the Richardson County Employee Handbook: "During the first 90 days of employment, employees earn no more than 90 percent of their pay." Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

Region V Systems EPC Services

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve an agreement with Region V Systems for Emergency Protective Care Services for the time period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 at a cost of \$214.00/day. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Mileage Reimbursement

Motion was made by Sickel to adopt Resolution 2021-2022-41 to comply with the mileage reimbursement rate for county employees as set forth by the Nebraska Department of Administrative Services at a rate of .625 cents effective July 1, 2022. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 26, Page 73)

Road Dept. Union

A request was received from Justin Hubly, Executive Director of NAPE/AFSCME Local 61 representing the Richardson County Department of Roads employees requesting that the Richardson County Board of Commissioners consider entering into a Memorandum of Understanding regarding vacation leave. The Board will review this request further with the County's legal counsel in this matter, Jerry L. Pigsley of Woods Aitken LLP.

Other

Motion was made by Caverzagie that the Board has determined that an emergency exists with some repairs that need to be made to the exterior of the north side of the Courthouse in an effort to stop further water damage to the interior of the building and therefore approve the quote received from the firm of Andrew Tuckpointing, LLC from Clarinda, Iowa for a price of \$12,590.00. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Sickel to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted today. Motion



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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

ABK Fire & Safety, supp	275.50
Alcohol Countermeasure Systems, supp	46.80
Centec Cast Metal Products, supp	754.77
Charm-Tex, supp	564.22
Clerk of District Court, fees	648.00
Comfort Inn, lodg	309.90
CMC, serv	250.00
Creative Product Sourcing, supp	275.19
Eickhoff, Mary, reimb	340.82

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GENERAL FUND (Cont.)

Falls City Journal, adv	127.50
Falls City Mercantile, supp	286.21
Family Medicine, serv	43.00
Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts, Ziskey & Merwin, serv	427.50
CR22-261 L. Horne	
Farm & City Supply, supp	100.95
Microtel, serv	282.00
Handley Law Office, serv	5785.50
CR21-145 T. Snethen, CR22-77, M. Dean, CR21-211 T. Snethen, CR21-117 M. Dean, CR21-650 D. Nuzum, CR21-320 T. Snethen, CR22-97 P. Schawang III, CR22-234 J. Stuart, CR22-226 L. Scholl	
Holiday Inn, lodg	338.85
Holiday Inn Express, lodg	500.90
Hullman's, supp	133.23
Jim Hill's, serv	1534.00
Jones Air Conditioning, serv	255.00
Kollasch Law Office, serv	1710.00
CR21-6 B. Mackey	
Lynn Peavey Co., supp	419.59
Meyer Laboratory, supp	369.15
Morehead, Amanda, reimb	5.80
911 Custom, supp	1940.59
O'Reilly Automotive, supp	912.73
OPPD, serv	53.15
Petersen Reporting, serv	547.50
Postmaster, supp	290.00
Quill, supp	279.79
Ram Exterminators, serv	45.00
Richardson County EMA Petty Cash, reimb	370.90
Sapp Bros., fuel	8013.97



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True Value, supp	181.26
W&D Auto Care, serv	562.30
Weaver & Merz, reimb	41.80
Wolfe's Printing, supp	473.72
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$29,497.09

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Agco Finance, supp	1360.07
Black Hills Energy, serv	37.68
Falls City Journal, adv	49.80
Farm & City Supply, supp	29.09
KS HCI, supp	180.00
Martin Marietta Materials, rock	18889.64
NPPD, serv	73.28
OPPD, serv	35.53
Rose Equipment, supp	10330.32
Sapp Bros., fuel	27346.23
Syn-Tech Systems, supp	400.00
Unifirst, supp	45.49
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$58,777.13

COUNTY DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT

Richardson County Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb	20.00
TOTAL COUNTY DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT	\$20.00

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CLAIMS (Cont.)

SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUNDS

Office Depot, supp	327.99
TOTAL SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUNDS	\$327.99

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Caverzagie to adjourn the meeting at 10:52 a.m. Motion seconded by Karas.
ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, June 28, 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.

David D. Sickel, Chairman

Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk