



Richardson County Board Minutes



RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SEPTEMBER 20, 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, September 20, 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 as presented for the September 12, 2022, meeting at which the Public Budget Hearing was held. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the minutes of the September 13, 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.

ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT

Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, Jr. updated the Board on the routine maintenance being done on County Roads and Bridges this past week. A discussion was held regarding the resurfacing of the dustless highway north of Falls City and the Boy Scout Road. He reported that the crews are working on cleaning ditches.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

Sheriff Hardesty updated the Board on the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center the past week. An update on the number of inmates being held at the Jail and the number that have been housed at other facilities was given. Currently, there are no inmates housed outside of the County Jail. He also reported that the Annual State Jail Inspection was held this past Thursday and the facility was found to be in compliance by the inspector.

Patrol vehicle maintenance was discussed and the Sheriff also reported that all staff positions are filled with the Jail and control room.

SE NE ADULT DRUG COURT/PROBATION

Ashley Griess, Chief Probation Officer, Nebraska District 1 and Chris Reece, Southeast Nebraska Adult Drug Court Coordinator presented to the Board an Interlocal Agreement with the Administrative Office of the Courts and Probation, an Office of the Nebraska Supreme Court for the provision of office space and facilities for the Southeast Nebraska Adult Drug Court. County Attorney, Doug Merz was also in attendance.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve and enter into an Interlocal Agreement as presented with the Administrative Office of the Courts and Probation, an Office of the Nebraska Supreme Court and that this agreement will also be presented to Nemaha, Pawnee, Johnson and Otoe counties for approval also. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.



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VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER

Mona Godemann, Veterans Service Officer requested to meet with the Board regarding an expense that may be incurred in the Veterans Service Office budget within this fiscal year for the purchase of grave markers. The Board relayed to Mrs. Godemann that the expense for the grave markers would be covered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Sickel to recess the regular meeting agenda at 10:58 a.m. and go
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into an Executive Session with County Attorney, Doug Merz; County Clerk, Mary L. Eickhoff and Steve Simon and Scott Miller of Miller-Farrell Insurance Agency to discuss possible litigation and for the protection of the public interest. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to close the executive session at 11:30 a.m. and return to the regular meeting agenda. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Sickel to recess the regular meeting agenda at 11:32 a.m. and go into an Executive Session with Jerry Pigsley, special legal counsel; County Attorney, Doug Merz; County Clerk, Mary L. Eickhoff and Steve Darveau, Jr., Highway Superintendent to discuss possible litigation and for the protection of the public interest. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to close the executive session at 11:45 a.m. and return to the regular meeting agenda. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

Monthly Operating Statement

The Board reviewed the August, 2022 monthly operating statement.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

The Board considered the idea of organizing an employee lunch cookout. No action was taken.

Sub-Divisions

Motion was made by Karas to approve a sub-division for Mary A. Burton Trust located in S9, T3, R15 and to adopt Resolution 2022-2023-12. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 26, Page 93)

Motion was made by Sickel to approve a subdivision for Jerry A and Linda L Duerfeldt etal located in S35, T3, R16 and to adopt Resolution 2022-2023-13. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE:



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Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 26, Page 94)

Richardson County Historical Society

The Richardson County Historical Society submitted an annual report of the expenditures of the Society for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022. The Society is also requesting the continued annual funding for in the amount of \$10,000.00.

Other

The Board approved the inventory report for the Custodian of the Courthouse submitted by County Building Maintenance Technician, Ryan Curtis.

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.

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CLAIMS (Cont.)

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

GENERAL FUND

Consolidated Management Co., serv	9116.97
DAS State Accounting, serv	319.88
Dollar General, supp	9.75
Dorr & Clark, serv	900.00
Electronic Contracting Co., serv	1662.58
Falls City Mercantile, supp	394.85
Family Medicine, supp	57.70
Farm & City Supply, supp	240.10
Farmers Repair, supp	48.00
First Concord Benefits, fees	220.00
Gage County Treasurer, funding	8091.47
Halbert & Dunn, serv	85.50
Handley Law Office, serv	9510.50
CR22-67 L. Fulton, CR22-125 R. Davis, CR22-379 A. Settrini, JV22-12, CR22-4 J. Collier, CR22-65 C. Ramer, CR22-78 T. Hurley, CR22-122 A. Cunningham, CR22-67 L. Fulton, CR22-59 T. Fritts, CR22-418 T. Barnett, CR22-115 A. Scates, CR22-142 T. Barnett, CR21-133 B. Graves, CR22-34 T. Berube	
Humboldt Standard, adv	138.07
James, Charles, serv	545.00
Jones Air Conditioning, serv	1709.75
Kollasch Law Office, serv	1491.50
CR 22-61 G. Simon	
Lincoln National Life Ins., ins	1072.85



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Medica, ins	44276.00
Mercure, Steven, serv	5833.33
Merz, Douglas, serv	50.00
NE Health & Human Services, serv	186.00
NE Weed Control Assn., dues	200.00
OPPD, serv	50.33
O'Reilly Automotive, supp	40.78
Petersen Reporting, serv	859.75
Physicians Laboratory, serv	738.00
Postmaster, supp	300.00
Ram Exterminators, serv	48.00
Region V Systems, serv	1248.00
Richardson County Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb	976.81
Richardson County Vendor, FICA/retire/etc	20187.04
Sapp Bros., fuel	8869.36
Schawang Masonry, serv	60.00
SumnerOne, serv	5.27
Weaver & Merz, reimb	58.50
Wherry Mortuary, serv	1005.00
Wolfe's Printing, supp	116.60
Payroll Expense	96081.53
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$216,804.77

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Black Hills Energy, serv	37.68
Constructors Inc., serv	809501.59
Martin Marietta Materials, rock	15046.85
Midwest Unlimited, supp	730.04
NPPD, serv	63.16
OPPD, serv	34.50
Rulo, Village of, serv	25.00

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ROAD & BRIDGE FUND (Cont.)

SNC, serv	104.29
Unifirst, serv	35.07
Woods & Aitken, serv	64.00
Payroll Expense	33306.36
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$858,948.54

ROAD BUYBACK PROGRAM

Constructors Inc., serv	655852.42
TOTAL ROAD BUYBACK PROGRAM	\$655,852.42

DRUG COURT FUND



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Morrissey, Morrissey & Dalluge, serv	1100.00
Wiltse, Sarah, serv	1100.00
TOTAL DRUG COURT FUND	\$2,200.00

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

Schawang Masonry, serv	92200.00
TOTAL INHERITANCE TAX FUND	\$92,200.00

SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUND

Richardson County Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb	25.96
TOTAL SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUND	\$25.96

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Caverzagie to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 noon. Motion seconded by Karas.
 ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, September 27, 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