

**RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MARCH 22, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Caverzagie at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 22, 2023. Roll call was answered by Karas, Sickel and Caverzagie. The Invocation was given by Chairman Caverzagie and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Sickel. Chairman Caverzagie 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 March 15, 2023, meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting of March 15, 2023 as presented. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-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.**

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

Motion was made by Sickel to award the bid for the construction of the County Shop building in Rulo to Mezger Construction, Inc. of Table Rock, NE for a 30'x50'x16' All Steel building at a price of \$113,265.00. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER**

Sheriff Hardesty updated the Board on the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this week. An oral report on the activity performed by the Sheriff's Department was given to the Board.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve a First Addendum to a Service Agreement for Inmate Health Services with the Community Medical Center, Inc. a Nebraska nonprofit corporation dated May, 2020, in which the annual cost shall be increased to \$60,000 (\$5,000/month). Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 17)

A discussion was held on the possibility of obtaining an additional drug dog. Motion was made by Karas to approve the purchase of a drug dog for approximately \$9,000 from I-80 K-9, Atlantic, Iowa. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

**BRIAN KIRKENDALL, EMA DIRECTOR**

Brian Kirkendall, EMA Director was unable to meet with the Board this week and has rescheduled for next week.

**CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER**

**Roof Contract**

The contract with Skyline Construction, Inc. will be considered at next week's meeting.

**CLAIMS**

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

American Legion Emblem Sales, supp	82.85
AT&T Mobility, serv	1497.17
BuckIT, serv	849.99
DAS State Accounting, serv	30.88
Datashield, serv	4.96
Dorr & Clark Funeral Home, serv	1000.00
Dutcher, Justin, reimb	161.35
Eickhoff, Mary, reimb	571.16
Falls City Mercantile, supp	76.34
Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts, Ziskey & Merwin, serv	1159.00
<small>CR22-191 E. Love</small>	
First Concord, fees	224.00
Humboldt Standard, adv	413.45
KaTom Restaurant Supply, supp	8826.41
Lincoln National Life Ins., life ins	1092.90
Medica, ins	43646.88
Mercure, Steven, serv	5916.66
Merz Inc., serv	742.00
NE Assoc. of County Treasurers, supp	265.00
NE Assoc. of District Clerks, fee	75.00
NE Health & Human Services, serv	265.00
Postmaster, supp	315.00
ProServ Business Systems, serv	133.10
Register of Deeds, fee	48.00
Richardson County Vendor, FICA/retire/etc	21,495.91
Riggs, Kim, reimb	146.98
Sickel, David, reimb	137.55
SE District Assessor Assoc., dues	60.00
Summit Fire Protection, serv	502.50
SumnerOne, serv	16.78
Weaver & Merz, reimb	28.56
Wolfe's Printing, supp	43.20
Payroll Expense	104867.81
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$194,696.39</b>

**ROAD & BRIDGE FUND**

Black Hills Energy, serv	247.52
Hamm, rock	13044.32
Martin Marietta, rock	16443.12
NPPD, serv	152.30
OPPD, serv	39.03
Operation & Expense Account, reimb	34.98
Sapp Bros., fuel	8239.99
Stateline Propane, supp	106.80
Unifirst, supp	78.91
Payroll Expense	33504.82
<b>TOTAL ROAD &amp; BRIDGE FUND</b>	<b>\$71,891.79</b>

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**DRUG COURT FUND**

Hawkins, Seth, serv	1265.06
Morrissey, Morrissey & Dalluge, serv	1100.00
Redwood Toxicology Lab, serv	36.50
<b>TOTAL DRUG FUND</b>	<b>\$2,401.56</b>

**ARPA FUND**

Richardson County Vendor, FICA/retire/etc	5.23
Payroll Expense	36.36
<b>TOTAL ROAD &amp; BRIDGE FUND</b>	<b>\$41.59</b>

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Karas to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, March 29, 2023 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.

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John Caverzagie, Chairman

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Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk