

**RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**JUNE 28, 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 Wednesday, June 28, 2023. Roll call was answered by Sickel, Karas 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 Caverzagie to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2023, County Board meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-abstain, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Karas to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2023, County Board meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-abstain, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2023, Board of Equalization meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-abstain, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2023, Board of Equalization meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-abstain, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. 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 on County roads and bridges the past few weeks.

Motion was made by Karas to approve the advertisement for a public hearing to be held on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. to receive input from the public in support of or opposition to the vacation and abandonment of a portion of county road and bridge structure C007402110 located between S22 and S23, T3, R14 also known as ½ mile south of the 717 Road on 640 Avenue thence running south to 716 Road and to adopt Resolution 2022-2023-52. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 28)

Motion was made by Karas to advertise for sale by sealed bids to be received and opened on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, at 9:20 a.m. a bridge structure #C007402110 located on a road beginning at a point approximately 2,640 feet or ½ mile south of the intersection of 717 Road and 640 Avenue or beginning approximately 2,640 feet south of the northeast corner of Section 22, Township 3, North, Range 14 East of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. in Richardson County, Nebraska and running approximately 2,640 feet or ½ mile south to the intersection of 716 Road and 640 Ave or the Southeast corner of Section 22, Township 3 North, Range 16 East of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. in Richardson County, Nebraska, or on 640 Avenue located approximately ¾ mile south of 717 Road between S22 and S23, T3, R14. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

**LAW ENFORCMENT CENTER**

Sheriff Hardesty updated the Board on the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this week.

Motion was made by Karas to enter into an agreement with Humboldt/Table Rock/Steinauer Schools to provide for School Resource Officer for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school year. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 29)

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**EMA DIRECTOR, BRIAN KIRKENDALL**

Brian Kirkendall, EMA Director informed the Board that a grant application was denied for the purchase and installation of a generator at the Humboldt Rural Water tower. He has thence contacted a company to come and give a quote for a generator which needs to be installed to support and accommodate the NRIN equipment that will be installed in the near future.

**BRIAN HILL, LAKEMAC**

The Board held a teleconference call with Brian Hill of LakeMAC who assists the County Assessor with the valuation process.

**CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER**

**Advertise for Public Hearing for Fair Market Value**

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the advertisement for a public hearing to be held on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. to determine the fair market value of the following real estate as described: commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 22, Thence N02 55'10"W (assumed bearing) on the east line of the SE ¼ of said section 22, 1,425.89 feet; thence N87 04'50"E, 33.00 feet to the west county right-of-way line and also being the point of beginning; thence N80 46'24"W, 46.32 feet; thence N14 54'32"W, 154.43 feet; thence N05 06'41"W, 90.05 feet; thence N11'46'08"E, 145.23 feet; thence N18 35'35"E, 119.94 feet to said west county right of way line; thence S02'55'10"E on the east line of said SE ¼, 502.87 feet to the point of beginning and containing 0.64 acres. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

**Agreement with Region V for EPC**

Motion was made by Sickel to approve and enter into an agreement with Region V Systems for Emergency Protective Custody Services from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, at a cost of \$214.00/day. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

**Overspent Budgets and Unencumbered Funds**

Motion was made by Karas to adopt Resolution 2022-2023-51 to approve the use of unencumbered funds to cover expense in the FY2022-2023 budgets of the Building and Grounds--\$6,959.13; Communication Dispatch--\$2,002.18; Humboldt Law Agrmnt--\$9,596.43 and Jail--\$80,675.24. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 27)

**Budget-Making Authority**

As per Resolution 2021-2022-25 a motion was made by Sickel to designate County Clerk, Mary L. Eickhoff, as the budget-making authority for years 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

**Change Meeting Dates**

The Board held a discussion to consider changing the meeting dates from Wednesday to Tuesday. Sheriff Hardesty read a message that he had received electronically from Samantha Scheitel, County Attorney which was addressed to the County Board regarding the consideration of this change. No action was taken.

**Transfer of Funds**

Motion was made by Karas to approve and adopt Resolution 2022-2023-50 regarding the transfer of funds from the Natural Disaster Fund in the amount of \$178,225.24 to the Road and

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 TRANSFER OF FUNDS (Cont.)

Bridge Fund to reimburse for the expenses incurred for the repairs completed for the damages done during the FEMA—4420-DR-NE Disaster occurring March 9, 2019 through July 14, 2019. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 26)

**Special Designated Liquor License**

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the following special designated liquor licenses for the Falls City Area Jaycees at the Falls City Area Jaycees Community Field: 1) Tractor Pull to be held on Friday, July 14, 2023 and 2) Demolition Derby to be held on Saturday, August 26, 2023. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

**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, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-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**

Bennett, Pam, serv	900.00
Culligan, serv	114.50
Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts, Ziskey & Merwin, serv	1719.50
<small>CR23-2, A. Debnam, CR23-33 J. Scroggins</small>	
Farm & City Supply, supp	109.70
First Concord, fees	231.00
Gravatt, Jere, serv	100.00
Handley Law Office, serv	1136.00
<small>JV23-3, JV23-4</small>	
Hector, Amy, serv	200.00
Lancaster County Sheriff's Office, serv	18.69
LaQuinta, lodg	393.36
Lincoln National Life Insurance, life ins	1137.10
Lynn Peavey, supp	95.25
Medica, ins	48027.40
Mercure, Steve, serv	5916.66
NE County Attorney Assoc., dues	1240.00
NE Law Enforcement Center, serv	500.00
Pest Control Services of SE NE, serv	45.00
Postmaster, supp	315.00
Richardson County Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb	1320.21
Richardson County Vendor, FICA/retire/etc	22619.39
SumnerOne, serv	109.98
Verizon, serv	303.29
Weaver & Merz, reimb	1242.00
Payroll Expense	108085.95
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$195,879.98</b>

**ROAD & BRIDGE FUND**

Farm & City Supply, supp	92.47
Hullman's, supp	45.43
Martin-Marietta, rock	21876.00
Mr. Automotive, supp	44.90
NMC, supp	468.92
NPPD, serv	41.70

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Newman Signs, supp	3429.96
OPPD, serv	38.59
O'Reilly Automotive, supp	52.97
PowerPlan, supp	1137.30
Sapp Bros., fuel	2206.33
Schendel Pest Control, serv	250.00
Truck Center Companies, supp	208.26
Unifirst, supp	71.60
Woods & Aitken, serv	21120.83
Payroll Expense	36121.30
<b>TOTAL ROAD &amp; BRIDGE FUND</b>	<b>\$87,206.56</b>

DRUG COURT FUND

Hawkins, Seth, serv	1100.00
Morrissey, Morrissey & Dalluge, serv	1100.00
<b>TOTAL DRUG COURT FUND</b>	<b>\$2,200.00</b>

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

Idemia, supp	26447.00
<b>TOTAL INHERITANCE TAX FUND</b>	<b>\$26,447.00</b>

JAIL BOND REPAY FUND

BOK Financial, pmt	291568.75
<b>TOTAL JAIL BOND REPAY FUND</b>	<b>\$291,568.75</b>

NATURAL DISASTER FUND

County Treasurer, transfer	178225.24
<b>TOTAL NATURAL DISASTER FUND</b>	<b>\$178,225.24</b>

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Caverzagie to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, July 5, 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