

**RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AUGUST 23, 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, August 23, 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 Commissioner 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 August 16, 2023, County Board meeting 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 minutes of the Quarterly Safety Committee meeting from August 16, 2023 as presented. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Caverzagie 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 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 this week due to his attendance at a conference in Kearney regarding the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Grant Programs through the US Department of Transportation.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

Sheriff Hardesty updated the Board on the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week. An update was given on the shortage of staff that is likely to occur in the near future with upcoming retirements and resignations. The Board also reviewed further with the Sheriff the FY23-24 budget for this department with proposed changes of the County Board.

BUDGET FY2023-2024 REVIEW

The Board continued to review the FY2023-2024 budget to finalize for advertisement for the public hearing.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the 1% budget authority pursuant to Nebraska Revised State Statute 13-519(2). Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to set the public budget hearing date for Wednesday, September 13, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to set the public hearing to set the tax levy at a different rate than the prior year for Wednesday, September 13, 2023, at 10:15 a.m. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

SE NE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Board received the 2022 Annual Report of the Southeast Nebraska Development District and the 2023/24 Membership Packet. Also submitted to the Board was the Annual Membership and Housing statement for dues for FY 2023-2024 in the amount of \$6,634.00.

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CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

Transfer

Motion was made by Sickel to adopt Resolution 2023-2024-7 to transfer funds from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund in the amount of \$200,000.00. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 37)

Courthouse Roof Replacement

The Board held a conference call with Bill Huey, of Prochaska & Associates, architect for the Courthouse roof replacement project. Representatives from Skyline Construction, Inc. were also in attendance at this time and reported that they will make delivery of equipment and materials on Thursday, August 24 and will begin the project on Friday, August 25, with work to continue through the weekend and a projected completion date on or before September 5.

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

Amazon, supp	37.98
Bierman, Lauren, serv	4500.00
Charm-Tex, supp	79.20
Chart Meds, serv	228.80
Consolidated Management Company, serv	10360.05
Continental Fire Sprinkler, serv	345.00
Culligan, serv	185.10
Dollar General, supp	32.25
Donahue & Sisco, serv	4488.75
Fairfield, lodg	530.00
Falls City Journal, adv	69.65
Falls City Mercantile, supp	78.57
Farm & City Supply, supp	32.94
First Concord, fees	218.00
Godemann, Bethany, reimb	37.56
Koch's Auto Service, serv	1127.24
Lincoln National Life Ins., life ins	1153.22
Medica, ins	42323.94
Mercure, Steve, serv	5916.66
Meyer Home Center, serv	120.00
Microfilm Imaging Systems, serv	634.00
Motorola Solutions, serv	5600.00
National Business Furniture, supp	3440.80
ODP Business Solutions, supp	449.90
OPPD, serv	94.19
Quill, supp	395.51
Region V Systems, serv	1926.00
Richardson County EMA Petty Cash, reimb	241.36
Richardson County Vendor, FICA/retire/etc	23212.88
Sayler Screenprinting, supp	66.00
Secretary of State, fee	30.00

GENERAL FUND (Cont.)

Payroll Expense	114127.49
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$222,083.04

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Black Hills Energy, serv	42.13
Farmers Repair, supp	309.42
Martin Marietta Materials, rock	32725.71
Mezger Construction, serv	65775.00
NPPD, serv	73.28
Norris Quarries, rock	1943.32
Powerplan, supp	1797.60
Quill, supp	96.45
Sapp Bros., fuel	10186.13
Schendel Pest Control, serv	250.00
Stella, Village of, serv	61.60
Unifirst, supp	16.13
Payroll Expense	32390.31
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$145,667.08

DRUG COURT FUND

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

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

County Treasurer, transfer	200000.00
TOTAL INHERITANCE TAX FUND	\$200,000.00

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Karas to adjourn the meeting at 11:03 a.m. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, August 30, 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.

John Caverzagie, Chairman

Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk