

**RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 13, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Caverzagie at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 13, 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 Caverzaige 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 September 6, 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 Caverzagie to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Sickel. 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.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

Sheriff Hardesty via teleconference due to his assistance at Humboldt for the activities for the Richardson County Fair, updated the Board on the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week. A fee report was approved for Sheriff Hardesty for fees collected during the month of August, 2023 totaling \$4,744.08.

Motion was made by Karas to approve sending a notice to the City of Beatrice and Southeast Communications Center 911 at Beatrice that Richardson County will not be renewing a contract for their services for dispatch. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the appointment of Jeremiah Franks as the Chief Deputy Sheriff effective September 15, 2023. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

A brief discussion was held regarding possible hiring of a full-time deputy that is Nebraska Certified.

Motion was made by Karas to approve the purchase of a patrol unit from Hullman's Ford Linc Merc for the purchase price of \$44,709.00 for a 2023 Ford 308with partial funds to be paid from the Sheriff's budget and the remainder to be paid from the Inheritance Tax Fund. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

ADOPT FY2023-2024-8 ADOPT FY2023-2024 BUDGET

Motion was made by Sickel to adopt Resolution 2023-2024-8 regarding the adoption of the FY2023-2024 budget as published and presented at the public hearing held on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 38)

RESOLUTION 2023-2024-9 ADOPT 2023 TAX LEVY FOR COUNTY

Motion was made by Sickel to adopt Resolution 2023-2024-9 to approve a tax levy of .349757 for tax year 2023 for Richardson County as published and presented at the public hearing held on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 10:15 a.m. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Caverzagie-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 39)

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

Discuss Implementing a Hiring Restriction

The Board held a discussion to implement a hiring restriction with-out prior approval from the County Board of Commissioners on all new-hires with a review of that job description to be filled in all County Departments. A resolution for this matter will be considered at a later meeting.

Resolution 2023-2024-11 to Region V

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the Region V Community Human Services Program Interlocal Agreement First Amendment to formally change the name to Apace and authorize the Chairman to adopt Resolution 2023-2024-11 to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 41)

Courthouse Roof Replacement

Motion was made by Sickel to authorize the Chairman to use his discretion in reviewing and approving a change order to be received by the architect in the next few days that will be needed for continued work to be completed by Skyline Construction, Inc. on the Courthouse roof in this following week. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Sub-Division

Motion was made by Sickel to approve a sub-division for John M and Mary Sue Martin located in S25, T1, R15 and to adopt Resolution 2023-2024-10. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 40)

Other

Motion was made by Karas to approve a purchase order to Generators for Sale of Omaha for a price of \$12,386.00 for a generator to be installed at the Humboldt Rural Water Tower to be used for the future installation of the NRIN equipment which was reviewed at the June 28, 2023 meeting. Motion seconded by Sickel. 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 Caverzagie. 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

Ankrom, Jami, reimb	35.42
BuckIT, serv	18490.66
Consolidated Management Company, serv	76.75
DAS State Accounting, serv	150.00
F&M Bank, supp	40.00
Falls City Sanitation, serv	40.00
Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts, Ziskey & Merwin, serv	5557.50
JV15-26, JV22-38, JV22-14, JV22-30, JV21-17, JV21-20, JV21-19, CR22-167 Y. Williams	
Farm & City Supply, supp	25.99
Gage County Treasurer, reimb	11917.06
Harmon, Leland, supp	80.00
Hillyard, supp	414.97
Hullman's Ford, serv	132.99
Kennedy, Kaytlyn, reimb	237.11
KexRx, supp	2994.88
Koch's Auto Service, serv	1493.02
Lancaster County Sheriff, serv	7.37
Merz Ink, supp	168.97
Meyer Home Center, serv	519.60
Midwest Mobile Radio Service, serv	30.00
Miller-Monroe, fee	40.00
NACO, reg	120.00
NE Secretary of State, fee	30.00

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CLAIMS (Cont.)

GENERAL FUND (Cont.)

NE State Fire Marshall, fee	120.00
OneNeck IT Solutions, serv	591.71
Physicians Laboratory, serv	2350.00
Prochaska & Associates, serv	994.80
ProServ Business Systems, serv	146.41
Region V Systems, dues/cont/serv	7382.50
Richardson County EMA Petty Cash, reimb	116.05
Richardson County Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb	368.64
Road & Bridge Fund, levy tax	273356.86
Scholl Lawn & Landscape, serv	265.00
SE NE Development District, dues	6634.00
True Value, supp	14.99
UNL, reg	95.00
Wherry Mortuary, serv	730.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$335,768.25

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

City of Humboldt, serv	93.90
Falls City Auto Supply, supp	185.83
Falls City Utility Dept., serv	429.66
Mary's Appliance, supp	628.00
Martin Marietta Materials, rock	18944.91
Mr. Automotive, supp	63.15
NPPD, serv	31.58
Norris Quarries, rock	2199.28
Salem, Village of, serv	22.85
Unifirst, supp	61.38
Verdon, Village of, serv	30.88
Woods & Aitken, serv	32.50
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$22,723.92

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Karas to adjourn the meeting at 2:33 p.m. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, September 20, 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