

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETINGS

October 16, 2023

The Red Willow County Board of Commissioners and the Board of Equalization met in the Commissioners' Room in the courthouse on October 16, 2023. A notice of the meetings was published in the McCook Gazette and posted on the County's website. The combined agenda was e-mailed to each commissioner and the news media, uploaded on the County's website, and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Ted Gans called the Board of Commissioners meeting to order with the following members present: Commissioners Ted Gans, Randy Dean and Charles Fritsche. Gans informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

A motion was made by Fritsche, seconded by Dean, to approve the agendas as presented. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Chairman Gans offered the floor for Citizens' Comments. No one was present.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to approve minutes from the previous Board of Commissioners meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Dean, Fritsche. Abstain: Gans. A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to approve the remaining items on the consent agenda: 2) accounts payable claims in the amount of \$247,605.24, 3) NACO Voter Registration. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Chairman Gans recessed the Commissioners' meeting at 9:15 a.m. for the Board of Equalization.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING: Chairman Randy Dean called the Board of Equalization meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. with the following members present: Commissioners Ted Gans, Randy Dean and Charles Fritsche. Dean informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

A motion was made by Gans, seconded by Fritsche, to recess the regular meeting and enter into a public hearing at 9:15 a.m. to receive public comments on the 2023/2024 final levies. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Clerk Cooper presented levies for the following political subdivisions for which the Red Willow County Board of Equalization is empowered to levy or certify a tax levy: McCook Public Schools and Southwest Public Schools, ESU No. 15, Cities of McCook and Indianola, Villages of Bartley, Danbury and Lebanon, rural fire districts of Bartley, Beaver Valley, Indianola and Red Willow Western, cemetery districts of Danbury, Hamburg and Lebanon, Middle Republican NRD, High Plains Historical Society, and the County.

A motion was made by Gans, seconded by Fritsche, to adjourn the public hearing at 9:20 a.m. and reconvene the regular meeting. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

A motion was made by Gans, seconded by Fritsche, to levy the necessary taxes for 2023 and certify all levies as presented for said political subdivisions. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Chairman Dean adjourned the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:20 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING: (Reconvened)

Chairman Gans reconvened the Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:25 a.m.

Sheriff Kevin Darling joined the Board to discuss new radios for the Law Enforcement Center. He submitted two bids; Platte Valley Communications for \$39,586.82, and Prairie State Communications \$36,450.10.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to accept the quote from Prairie States Communications to upgrade the Sheriff's radios, using ARPA funds. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Darling also went over the interlocal agreement with the City of Indianola for law enforcement with the Board. The city revised the agreement to exclude the specific coverage for Old Settlers Days.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to authorize the Chairman's signature on the interlocal agreement with the City of Indianola for law enforcement. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Crystal Dack, Treasurer, presented Resolution No. 1500 Book 24 Page 7 to Issue County Sales Certificates. A motion was made by Fritsche, seconded by Dean, to approve Resolution No. 1500, Book 24 Page 7 to Issue County Sales Certificates. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

The Board reviewed informal quotes for security cameras in and around the Courthouse. 20/20 Technologies presented three different quotes: \$4,972.00, \$5,956.00, \$9,955.00. The quotes reflected the capabilities of the cameras. Video Kingdom's bid was \$7,440.00, and Intellipro's was \$7,095.00

Brett Warren and Tyler Kotschwar from 20/20 were present to explain the difference in their bids.

A motion was made by Fritsche, seconded by Dean, to accept the quote of \$5,956.00 from 20/20 Technologies using ARPA funds. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Kristi Korell, Assessor, presented a contract for commercial appraisals from Central Plains Valuation. It is for a maintenance program including setting growth values in Red Willow County and pick-up valuations.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to authorize the Chairman's signature on the contract with Central Plains Valuation. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

The Board reviewed a proposal from Nebraska Department of Transportation for CCTV cameras in the area. The DOT is requesting assistance identifying effects of proposed projects on historic properties that could be affected by the project. The Board could not think of any in the proposed area.

The Board reviewed the County's Drug & Alcohol Testing procedures. It was decided that Chairman Gans would take the lead on this project. Gans called MEI to get direction on how to proceed.

A Certification of Resolution Setting Property Tax Request from The City of McCook was reviewed and placed on file.

The Clerk's and District Court Clerk's Monthly Revenue Reports were reviewed and placed on file.

The following claims were allowed:

GENERAL FUND Ambience Counseling Center LLC SC 330.00 American Electric SC 17.90 Applied Connective Technologies SC 2,751.40 Black Hills Energy SC 97.12 B Street Auto Spa SC 86.70 Carquest Auto Parts S 57.96 City Of McCook SC 6,790.15 Ruby Collins SC 14.00 Community Hospital SC 941.40 Consolidated Management Company S 9,897.10 Penelope Cooper S 36.90 Country Inn & Suites M 249.00 Cranmore Fire Protection LLC SC 165.00 Justin M Daake LF 4,480.00 Crystal Dack S 90.13 DAS State Accounting SC 178.75 Alexis Davidson LF 1,100.00 Eakes Office Solutions S 402.34 ESRI Inc SC 440.00 Farrells Pharmacy Inc S 583.26 Frenchman Valley Co-Op SC 1,875.95 Law Offices Of Tana M Fye LF 1,097.60 Galls S 444.63 Goodwin Siegfried LLP LF 918.75 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 1,718.82 Heads Up Sprinklers SC 83.70 Brandi Hilton-Hagemann SC 192.57 Holiday Inn M 278.85 Hometown Leasing R 1,137.63 Honorbound IT SC 1,640.56 Jessi Keslin D 164.00 Kristi Korell D 75.00 Kim Korgan M 96.00 Abby Larington M 90.00 Lincoln County Veteran Service SC 495.60 Lips Printing Service S 77.69 Masonic Temple Craft Inc R 495.00 Maximus Inc SC 2,600.00 City Of McCook SC 500.00 McCook Gazette SC 1,281.90 McCook Humane Society Inc DN 350.00 McCook Utilities SC 506.84 Mead Lumber S 109.97 Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc SC 129.00 Mid-American Research Chemical Corp S 380.43 Midwest Special Services Inc SC 194.25 Miller & Associates Consulting Eng C 600.00 MIPS Inc SC 3,756.67 Mousel Brooks Schneider & Mustion LF 4,890.35 NACO SC 1,766.73 Nebraska Public Power District SC 2,500.54 Ne Secretary Of State S 30.00 Nicks Distributing Inc S 232.56 Lori O'Dea D 150.00 Kay Oltmer M 19.65 Physicians Laboratory PC SC 5,521.00 Prairie Plains CASA DN 10,000.00 SRK Enterprise LLC SC 500.00 Psychological Resources SC 150.00 Quill Corporation S 396.95 Radiology Services PC SC 74.14 Red Willow Dental LLC SC 172.00 Regional West Medical Center SC 34.00 Region II Services C 5,565.00 Red Willow County Court LF 259.00 Red Willow County District Court LF 288.15 Red Willow County Sheriff SF 433.85 Red Willow Co Treasurer Petty Cash S 20.00 Scottsbluff Corporate SC 125.76 Shred-It USA SC 177.48 Cody E Siegfried LF 150.00 Michael T Simmonds M 469.50 Adriann Smith M 95.00 Tammy Solomon M 2.62 Teresa Thomas M 95.00 TK Elevator Corporation SC 495.33 TKO Pest Control LLC SC 75.00 Tyler Technologies SC 898.00 University Of Nebraska SC 30.56 Urbom Law Offices PC LF 458.65 U-Save Pharmacy & Medical Supply S 41.04 US Bank S 1,774.77 Verizon Wireless SC 54.98 Walmart S 181.64 Rebecca Wiemers LF 150.00 Ryan R Wilcox LF 6,771.29 Witness Fees - Co Court WF 111.25 Tracy Zink S 15.72 Total 95,178.03 ROAD FUND Ag Valley Co-Op SC 9,257.45 Akrs Equipment S 109.81 Black Hills Energy SC 122.47 Bryan Hauxwell Farms SC 1,600.00 BW Telcom SC 44.39 C & K Distributors S 75.16 Cambridge Telephone Company SC 51.83 City Of McCook SC 30.03 Decatur Co-Op Association SC 5,671.94 Diamond Vogel Paint Center S 258.37 EIA LLC S 13,302.12 Farmers Cooperative Grain & Supply SC 9,707.40 Fastenal Company S 21.69 Frenchman Valley Co-Op S 122.11 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 40.88 Great Plains Tire & Service S 157.00 Lakeside Sand & Gravel LLC S 11,790.12 Lingo Communications SC 36.18 McCook Utilities SC 77.70 Miller & Associates Consulting Eng C 500.00 Mittens SC 632.50 Modern Farm Equipment SC 1,387.49 NMC Exchange LLC SC 1,675.32 Nebraska Public Power District SC 41.69 Nebraska Peterbilt S 46.64 NKC Tire S 151.26 Overton Sand & Gravel Co S 6,793.04 Paulsen Inc S 1,775.46 Ruggles Truck & Trailer Sales LLC SC 1,371.00 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply SC 572.64 Titan Machinery S 309.34 Twin Valleys Public Power District SC 92.09 Village Of Bartley SC 111.58 Total 67,936.70 VISITORS FUND Flagship Publishing Inc SC 615.00 Honorbound IT SC 25.00 Maly Marketing SC 630.00 McCook Economic Development Corp SC 1,699.52 Prairie Roots Festival DN 2,012.50 Carol E Schlegel C 3,675.00 US Bank S 420.18 Total 9,077.20 FAIR FUND Ace-Yuma SC 122.95 Akrs Equipment S 154.71 Black Hills Energy

SC 142.37 Brico Pest Control SC 400.00 Cardmember Services S 473.50 D & S Hardware S 237.92 Diamond Vogel Paint Center S 416.64 Frenchman Valley Co-Op S 69.45 Glass Express SC 60.00 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 157.33 Hometown Leasing R 6,000.00 John Deere Financial SC 716.97 McCook Gazette SC 3.71 McCooknet Internet Service SC 44.00 McCook Utilities SC 340.39 Nebraska Public Power District SC 1,749.87 SRK Enterprise LLC S 1,657.50 Ravenswood Electric LLC SC 720.56 Scottsbluff Corporate S 5.00 Michaelis Heating & Cooling LLC SC 105.00 Tinker Tom S 40.00 Verizon Wireless SC 42.84 Walmart S 103.26 Walter Heating, Cooling & Const LLC SC 464.00 Total 14,227.97 ROD FUND Penelope Cooper S 213.59 Total 213.59 INSURANCE FUND Lucent Health Solutions LLC I 7,442.80 Red Willow County Health Dept I 1,455.00 Total 8,897.80 ARENA FUND Black Hills Energy SC 101.11 Brico Pest Control SC 400.00 Cardmember Services S 2,919.90 Central Nebraska Equipment SC 6,150.00 Kully Pipe & Steel Supply S 3,604.72 McCook Utilities SC 502.30 Mead Lumber S 448.49 Nebraska Public Power District SC 1,121.46 Nebraska Safety & Fire Equipment SC 250.00 Schaffert Mfg. And Sales S 352.64 Total 15,850.62 ARPA FUND Mike Kreiling SC 2,251.25 Samway Floor Covering & Furniture S 5,689.88 Total 7,941.13 HEALTH FUND Applied Connective Technologies SC 249.00 Change Healthcare Solutions LLC S 106.43 Community Hospital SC 107.71 Eakes Office Solutions S 138.04 Marlen Flores SC 150.00 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 295.67 Hometown Leasing R 86.12 McCook Gazette SC 106.40 Pathology Services PC SC 4,693.41 Pfizer Inc S 2,464.18 Sanofi Pasteur Inc S 11,640.13 US Bank S 1,299.63 Wal-Mart S 30.37 Total 21,367.09 WASTE FUND Billie Cole C 5,675.27 Dan's R Us Sanitation SC 414.50 Frenchman Valley Co-Op S 197.35 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 170.75 McCook Utilities SC 48.40 Nebraska Public Power District SC 87.12 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply S 292.49 Verizon Wireless SC 29.23 Total 6,915.11 Grand Total 247,605.24.

Chairman Gans adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 10:55 a.m. to October 23, 2023.

Ted Gans
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Randy Dean
Chairman, Board of Equalization

Attest: Penelope Cooper
County Clerk