

Red Willow County Board Minutes



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETINGS

October 17, 2022

The Red Willow County Board of Commissioners and the Board of Equalization met in the Commissioners' Room in the courthouse on October 17, 2022. 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, posted 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 Earl McNutt called the Board of Commissioners meeting to order with the following members present: Earl McNutt, Randy Dean and Cayla Richards. McNutt informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

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

Chairman McNutt offered the floor for citizens' comments. Jeff Cook-Coyle was present to introduce himself. He works for Premier Energy out of Grand Island. They are putting up solar panels for a solar farm.

McNutt 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 9:16 a.m. with the following members present: Commissioners Randy Dean, Earl McNutt and Cayla Richards. Dean informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

A motion was made by Richards, seconded by McNutt, to recess the regular meeting and enter into a public hearing at 9:16 a.m. to receive public comments on the 2022/2023 final levies. Roll call: Ayes: Dean, McNutt, Richards.

Clerk Tami Teel 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 McNutt, seconded by Richards, to adjourn the public hearing at 9:17 a.m. and reconvene the regular meeting. Roll call: Ayes: Dean, McNutt, Richards.

A motion was made by McNutt, seconded by Richards, to levy the necessary taxes for 2022 and certify all levies as presented for said political subdivisions. Roll call: Ayes: Dean, McNutt, Richards.

Chairman Dean adjourned the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:22 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING (Reconvened):

Chairman McNutt reconvened the Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:22 a.m.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Richards, to recess the regular meeting and enter into a public hearing at 9:29 a.m. to receive public comments on the One and Six-Year Road Plan. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Richards, Dean.

David Blau presented a map of the roads involved in the plan. After some discussion, the Board will have Project C73 Unit 182, Project C73 Unit 183, Project C73 Unit 186, Project C73 Unit 187, Project C73 Unit 188 and Project C73 Unit 189 on the One Year Plan. The Board removed Project C73 Unit 178 from the Six Year Plan.

A motion was made by Richards, seconded by Dean, to adjourn the public hearing at 9:46 a.m. and reconvene the regular meeting. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Dean, Richards.

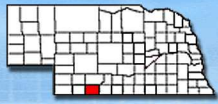
A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Richards, to adopt Resolution No. 1470, Book 23, Page 59, to adopt the 2022 One and Six-Year Road Plan with the change of removing of Project C73 Unit from the six-year plan. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Dean, Richards.

Jerry Berggren with Berggren Architects called the Board to discuss new windows for the Courthouse. He will put together a proposal to present to the Board. He will walk through the Courthouse with Randy Dean and look at the windows.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting and the accounts payable claims.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Richards, to approve the following items on the consent agenda: 1) minutes from the previous Board of Commissioners and Board of Equalization meetings, 2) accounts payable claims in the amount of \$484,939.87. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Dean, Richards.

Jiles Bowman, Fair Manager, presented bids received for repairs to the Ag Building. A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Richards, to accept the bid from Chipperfield in the amount of \$248,224.01. ARPA funds will be used to pay for this project. Roll Call: Ayes: McNutt, Dean, Richards.



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Michael Simmonds, Veterans' Services Officer, and Vicky Leibbrandt joined the Board to discuss a possible Veterans' Center. He says the Veterans are being underserved in our area and many are still struggling. A motion was made by Richards, seconded by Dean, to offer Red Willow County's support to continue research on the Veterans' Center. Roll Call: Ayes: McNutt, Dean, Richards.

The Board reviewed expenditures from the ARPA Fund, and possible further uses.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Richards, to enter into executive session at 11:05 a.m. to discuss the Building & Grounds position. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Dean, Richards.

A motion was made by Richards, seconded by Dean, to leave executive session at 11:11 a.m. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Dean, Richards.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Richards to offer the Building & Grounds position to one of the applicants that applied. Roll Call: Ayes: McNutt, Dean, Richards.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: 1) City of McCook – Certification of Resolution setting Property Tax Request for FY 22/23, 2) Nebraska Department of Natural Resources – Dam Inspection Checklist for County Road 712 Dam.

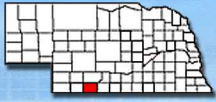
The Clerk's and Clerk of District Court's monthly revenue reports were reviewed and placed on file.

The following claims were allowed:

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLAIMS, October 17, 2022

Abbreviations for this legal: S Supplies; SF Sheriff Fees; SC Services & Charges; LF Legal Fees; M Mileage, Meals, Meetings; D Dues, Reg. or Subs; DN Donation; R Rent; RF Refund; T Taxes; TR Training; MH Mental Health Hearing; I Insurance; BP Bond Payment; LP Lease/Loan Payment; C Contract Labor; WF Witness Fees

GENERAL FUND Acme Printing S 212.56 Deanna Allacher C 525.00 Ambience Counseling Center LLC SC 690.00 Applied Connective Technologies SC 4,887.80 AT&T Mobility SC 363.07 Black Hills Energy SC 413.70 Staci Blomstedt M 1.25 Bob Barker Company Inc S 75.38 Buffalo County Sheriff SF 24.13 City Of McCook SC 6,796.84 Comfort Inn M 96.00 Community Hospital SC 13,332.42 Consolidated Management Company S 16,692.27 Control Masters Inc SC 35,362.00 Cranmore Fire Protection LLC SC 135.00 Justin M Daake LF 2,590.00 Crystal Dack M 86.00 DAS State Accounting SC 56.88 Double D Lawn & Landscaping SC 587.40 Eakes Office Solutions S 869.18 Election Systems & Software Inc SC 7,283.73 ESRI Inc SC 400.00 Farrells Pharmacy Inc S 1,593.83 Frenchman Valley Co-Op S 807.82 Law Offices Of Tana M Fye LF 787.25 Goodwin Siegfried LLP LF 5,090.00 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 1,765.43 Kim Holliday SC 250.00 Hometown Leasing R 823.11 Honorbound IT SC 3,281.11 Janssen Kool Honda S 39.96 K-C Motor & Electric Inc S 399.60 Jessi Keslin M 240.25 Joseph Koetter M 140.63 Vicky Leibbrandt C 1,023.75 Lincoln County Sheriff SF 18.00 Masonic Temple Craft Inc R 450.00 Maximus Inc SC 2,600.00 McCook Gazette SC 1,826.52 McCook Humane Society Inc DN 350.00 MNB Bank SC 25.00 McCook Utilities SC 545.50 Earl McNutt M 143.12 Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc SC 129.00 Miller & Associates Consulting Eng. C 600.00 MIPS Inc SC 3,737.44 MNB Insurance Inc I 45,117.07 Mousel Brooks Schneider & Mustion LF 3,476.25 NACO D 50.00 Ne County Assessors Association M 25.00 Nebraska Public Power District SC 2,915.79 Nicks Distributing Inc S 339.41 Hannah Nothnagel, LCSW SC 100.00 Kay Oltmer M 18.75 Polk County Sheriff's Office SF 53.75 SRK Enterprise LLC SC 400.00 Quadient Finance USA, Inc S 426.72 Quality Inn Ogallala M 178.00 Quality Urgent Care PC SC 7,262.00 Radiology Services PC SC 242.50 Red Willow Dental LLC SC 3,906.00 Region II Human Services SC 11,018.59 Region II Services SC 5,431.00 Reward Committee SC 2,500.00 Red Willow County Court LF 546.00 Red Willow County District Court LF 490.00 Clerk Of District Court Petty Cash S 94.25 Red Willow County Sheriff SF 766.89 Red Willow County Treasurer S 51.73 Scottsbluff Corporate SC 120.94 Andrea N Seefus C 60.00 Shred-It USA SC 131.90 Cody E Siegfried LF 100.00 Michael T Simmonds M 54.62 Snell Services Inc SC 10,279.81 Tammy Solomon M 2.50 Teresa Thomas M 165.81 TK Elevator Corporation SC 463.38 Travelers I 11,859.00 University Of Nebraska C 127.68 Urbom Law Offices PC LF 50.00 U-Save Pharmacy & Medical Supply S 16.62 US Bank S 1,048.14 Verizon Wireless SC 467.89 Wal-Mart S 29.52 Ryan R Wilcox LF 6,828.44 Hailey Wilkinson SC 30.00 Witness Fees WF 40.00 Tracy Zink M 15.00 Total 235,448.88 ROAD FUND Ag Valley Co-Op SC 4,570.01 Black Hills Energy SC 113.04 BW Telcom SC 44.39 C & K Distributors S 147.69 Cambridge Telephone Company SC 51.30 Carquest Auto Parts S 31.99 Decatur Co-Op Association SC 6,883.88 Fastenal Company S 31.47 Fowlers LLC S 298.00 Frenchman Valley Co-Op SC 1,524.87 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 43.74 Lakeside Sand & Gravel LLC S 3,144.82 Rodney G Ellis SC 337.16 Lingo Communications SC 35.54 Lords Inc S 74.46 McCook Utilities SC 76.61 Miller & Associates Consulting Eng. C 500.00 MNB Insurance Inc I 27,012.53 Modern Farm Equipment SC 1,346.66 NMC Exchange LLC SC 3,115.72 Nebraska Public Power District SC 41.67 NKC Tire S 5,908.00 Overton Sand & Gravel Co S 5,347.80 Paulsen Inc S 12,572.50 PowerPlan SC 197.45 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply S 77.97 Titan Machinery S 936.22 Twin Valleys Public Power District SC 95.68 Village Of Bartley SC 104.39 Wagner Chev-Buick-Pont-Cadillac Inc S 187.52 Wagner Ford-Mercury-Toyota S 7.96 Total 74,861.04 VISITORS FUND Bison Alumni Newsletter DN 400.00 Honorbound IT SC 25.00 Maly Marketing SC 1,260.00 McCook Economic Development Corp R 1,740.06 Carol E Schlegel C 3,500.00 US Bank S 420.79 Total 7,345.85 FAIR FUND Ace Hardware S 73.97 Black Hills Energy SC 139.57 C & K Distributors S 55.13 Cardmember Services S 571.97 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 157.57 Hometown Leasing R 52.62 Kohls Auto Parts S 68.74 McCooknet Internet Service SC 44.00 McCook Utilities SC 492.73 Mead Lumber S 210.54 Modern Farm Equipment Corp S 269.08 Nebraska Public Power District SC 1,385.16 SRK Enterprise LLC SC 1,657.50 Red Willow County Fair Petty Cash S 18,005.00 7-D Lockshop SC 10.40 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply S 117.29 Verizon Wireless SC 45.00 Wam Inc Dba Central Ne Bobcat S 32.22 Total 23,388.49 ROD FUND Applied Connective Technologies SC 1,223.50 Total 1,223.50 INSURANCE FUND Lucent Health Solutions LLC I 21,093.03 Total 21,093.03 ARENA FUND Akrs Equipment S 660.00 Bieker'S Quality Collision Repair SC 38.10 Black Hills Energy SC 84.64 Diamond Vogel Paint Center S 170.20 Hometown Leasing R 4,500.00 John Deere Financial SC 392.70 Kully Pipe & Steel Supply S 104.16 McCook Utilities SC 471.88 Nebraska Public Power District SC 786.25 Nebraska Safety & Fire Equipment SC 556.00 Quality Irrigation S 49.68 Total 7,813.61 ARPA FUND James M Stevens SC 4,967.00 K-C Motor & Electric Inc SC 202.94 NMC Exchange LLC SC 70,700.00 Abraham Weber SC



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473.84 Total 76,343.78 HEALTH FUND Applied Connective Technologies SC 106.20 Brandy Bird M 48.19 Capital One S 12.70 Change Healthcare Solutions LLC S 106.43 Eakes Office Solutions S 227.24 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 212.42 Hometown Leasing R 86.12 McCook Gazette SC 280.80 McKesson Medical Surgical S 198.91 Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp S 153.86 Pathology Services PC SC 5,101.19 Kristen Puckett M 57.75 Sanofi Pasteur Inc S 26,514.62 US Bank S 430.62 Total 33,537.05 WASTE FUND Frenchman Valley Co-Op SC 1,384.43 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 170.86 McCook Utilities SC 46.20 Nebraska Public Power District SC 179.63 US Bank S 2,239.15 Verizon Wireless SC 42.37 Total 4,062.64 Grand Total 485,117.87.

Chairman McNutt adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:15 a.m. to October 24, 2022.

Earl McNutt,
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Randy Dean,
Chairman, Board of Equalization

Attest: Tami Teel
County Clerk