

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETINGS

February 27, 2023

The Red Willow County Board of Commissioners and the Board of Equalization met in the Commissioners' Room in the courthouse on February 27, 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 Dean, seconded by Fritsche, 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 Fritsche, seconded by Dean, to approve the following items on the consent agenda: 1) minutes from the February 13 and 22, 2023 Board of Commissioners meetings, 2) there were no miscellaneous accounts payable claims, 3) Memorandum of Understanding for Community-Based Juvenile Services, 4) County Roadway Occupancy Agreement for Norton Motor & Electric, DBA KC Motor & Electric. 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.

Crystal Dack, Treasurer, presented motor vehicle exemption applications. A motion was made by Gans, seconded by Fritsche, to approve motor vehicle exemptions for Southwest Area Training Services, who replaced one of their vehicles. Roll Call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Dack also presented two tax roll corrections for 2022. A motion was made by Gans, seconded by Fritsche, to approve Tax Roll Correction No. 9 which decreased the tax rolls by \$213.96, and tax roll correction No. 10 which increased the tax rolls by 79.96. Roll Call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

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

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING: (Reconvened)

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

The Board reviewed informal bids for a semi-truck tractor. Randon Peters presented a bid for a 2018 Western Star with a sleeper cab, 330,500 miles for \$110,000. There were also bids for a 2016 Peterbilt 567 out of Washington state, 500 hp, 18 spd trans, 280,000 miles for \$76,500, a 2015 Peterbilt with 200,000 miles and several known problems for \$59,900 from Rush Truck Center, and two 2015 Freightliner Coronados, from Missouri Truck Sales. One has 372,000 miles for \$69,950, the other has 398,000 miles for \$65,950, but there is very little service history on either one.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to purchase the 2016 Peterbilt out of Washington state (British Columbia) if it is still available. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to set April 10, 2023, at 9:45 a.m. as the date and time to open Life, Health and Dental insurance bids. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

John Webster with Murphy Tractor & Equipment introduced himself to the new Board.

The Board reviewed Resolution No. 1476, Book 23, Page 71 to Increase Clerk of District Court's Petty Cash to \$250.00. She had explained that postage and passport costs have increased and that she has had to write personal checks to keep up.

A motion was made by Fritsche, seconded by Dean, to approve Resolution No. 1476, Book 23, Page 71 to Increase Clerk of District Court's Petty Cash to \$250.00. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

The Board reviewed fuel contracts with Farmers Co-Op in Trenton, Decatur Co-Op in Oberlin, Kansas and Frenchman Valley Co-Op in Imperial. Decatur will give the County .06 off the pump price without a contract.

The Board authorized the Chairman's signature on the contract with Farmers Co-op in Trenton for 9,000 gallons for 3.39 per gallon delivered to the McCook shop, and on the contract with Frenchman Valley for .13 per gallon off the pump price.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: 1) Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement – Notice of Jail Inspection; 2) Figgins Construction – Introduction.

Judge Heng joined the Board to comment on the increase of per hour pay for court appointed attorneys.

Chairman Gans adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 10:15 a.m. to March 6, 2023.

Ted Gans
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Randy Dean
Chairman, Board of Equalization

Attest: Penelope Cooper
County Clerk