

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

March 27, 2023

The Red Willow County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Room in the courthouse on March 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 agenda as presented. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Chairman Gans offered the floor for Citizens' Comments. John Donohue asked about road repairs in the Pearson Addition.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to table item 3) Amendment #1 to Medical and Dental Plan this close to opening health insurance bids. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to approve the remaining items on the consent agenda: 1) minutes from the previous Board of Commissioners meeting, 2) miscellaneous accounts payable and payroll claims in the amount of \$277,973.92. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Larry Pelan with Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association joined the Board via phone to explain the benefits of becoming part of NIRMA, including insurance. He explained that 83 of 93 counties are already members. They provide loss-prevention services. No member has ever withdrawn. There are no additional fees or dues on top of insurance premiums if you become a member. He will provide numbers on Monday, April 10, 2023.

Brett Warren, with 20/20 Technologies and Phil Corey with Verizon explained GPS for county employees. Either the equipment would be hardwired, which would leave breadcrumbs (where it has been over the past few days), if the equipment leaves the county, and if it the equipment is moved before or after hours. The other option is to have employees carry a cell with GPS trackers. They also offer a program with which employees could clock in and out.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to enter into executive session to discuss potential litigation with County Attorney, Paul Wood. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to exit executive session at 10:40 a.m. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to enter into executive session to discuss applicants for a truck driver. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to exit executive session at 11:15 a.m. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

The Clerk will contact applicants for interviews.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: 1) MEDC – Annual report and invitation to meeting, 2) Nebraska Department of Natural Resources – Bridge inspections.

The Sheriff's monthly revenue report was reviewed and placed on file.

The following claims were allowed:

GENERAL FUND Net Salaries 121,513.29 AFLAC 2,260.72 Retirement Plans Division Ameritas 18,867.73 Bighthouse Financial 50.00 CHI Health Clinic 1,151.00 Cooperative Extension Division 225.00 Discover Bank 415.44 Empower Retirement 1,350.00 Midwest Liberty Fed Credit Union 4,808.00 Midwest Liberty HSA Account 400.00 MASA Global Building 182.00 MNB Bank 34,515.06 MNB Bank 45.23 NACO 160.00 NACO 140.00 Nebraska Child Support 435.00 Nebraska Department Of Revenue 5,256.76 Red Willow County Self Insurance 4,750.00 Red Willow County Clerk 1,165.00 Vision Service Plan 385.48 Total 198,075.71 ROAD FUND Net Salaries 27,751.35 AFLAC 200.67 Retirement Plans Division Ameritas 4,358.90 Empower Retirement 100.00 Midwest Liberty Fed Credit Union 1,439.00 MASA Global Building 56.00 MNB Bank 8,777.12 Nationwide Retirement Solutions 400.00 Nebraska Department Of Revenue 1,351.31 Red Willow County Self Insurance 850.00 Vision Service Plan 34.18 Total 45,318.53 FAIR FUND Net Salaries 8,078.19 Retirement Plans Division Ameritas 1,213.50 MNB Bank 2,224.53 Nebraska Department Of Revenue 332.47 Red Willow County Self Insurance 400.00 Vision Service Plan 56.34 Total 12,305.03 ARENA FUND

Net Salaries 3,315.22 Retirement Plans Division Ameritas 501.82 MNB Bank 917.07 Nebraska Department Of Revenue 123.23 Red Willow County Self Insurance 200.00 Red Willow County Road Dept 1,099.90 Vision Service Plan 28.17 Total 6,185.41 HEALTH FUND Net Salaries 8,211.17 AFLAC 300.29 Retirement Plans Division Ameritas 1,105.42 Empower Retirement 150.00 MNB Bank 2,195.25 Nebraska Department Of Revenue 251.52 Red Willow County Self Insurance 250.00 Red Willow County Clerk 40.00 Vision Service Plan 8.51 Total 12,512.16 WASTE FUND Net Salaries 2,277.50 Retirement Plans Division Ameritas 353.48 MNB Bank 618.98 Nebraska Department Of Revenue 98.95 Red Willow County Self Insurance 200.00 Vision Service Plan 28.17 Total 3,577.08 Grand Total 277,973.92.

Chairman Gans adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:20 a.m. to April 3, 2023.

Ted Gans
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Attest: Penelope Cooper
County Clerk