



# Pawnee County Board Minutes



## PAWNEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS JANUARY 15, 2019

The Pawnee County Board of Commissioners met in regular session, which was open to the public, on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the first-floor meeting room in the Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee City, Nebraska. Notice of such meeting was published in the Thursday, December 27, 2018 issue of The Pawnee Republican. Present were Dennis Schardt, Jan Lang, Ron Seitz and County Clerk, Candi Nicholas. Chairman Schardt opened the meeting and announced the open meeting law poster is posted on the east wall of the meeting room. Lang moved and Seitz seconded the motion to approve the minutes of January 3, 2019 as presented. Voting: Schardt (yes), Lang (yes) and Seitz (yes). Lang moved and Seitz seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Voting: Lang (yes), Seitz (yes) and Schardt (yes). Seitz moved and Lang seconded the motion to approve the claims as presented. Voting: Seitz (yes), Schardt (yes) and Lang (yes).

The Board reviewed the County Attorney Pending and Closed Cases in 2018 Report, the December Month End Report of County Treasurer, the Quarterly County Sheriff Report, correspondence from Nebraska Department of Natural Resources regarding NDOT N-62 South Bridge Project. The Board discussed and signed the new Clerk Imprest checking account signature card to transfer the Imprest checking account from non-interest bearing to interest bearing. Reviewed the County Treasurer Six Month Fund Balance Report and discussed the SE District Meeting to be held on March 8 at Mahoney was changed to March 14 at Southeast Community College.

At 9:10 Lang moved and Seitz seconded to go into executive session to discuss General Assistance for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Voting: Schardt (yes), Lang (yes) and Seitz (yes). At 9:14 Lang moved and Seitz seconded to exit executive session. Voting: Lang (yes), Seitz (yes) and Schardt (yes). No action taken.

Jennifer Stehlik Ladman met with the Board to discuss Drug Court and tax foreclosed properties. Stehlik Ladman stated that Drug Court is trying to target alternative solutions instead of incarceration for drug offenders. Drug Court is an eighteen-month program with the bulk of cost paid by the State for the Probation Officer. There are stipulations that the defendant would have to meet before being approved for Drug Court. Currently there is a Drug Court in the western half of District One, Judge Smith would like to expand and have a Drug Court in the eastern half which is Pawnee, Johnson, Richardson, Nemaha and Otoe counties. The State would have to approve this program. Cost to expand to the eastern counties would be \$26,400.00. Every county pays a flat amount plus the number of participants. The first year would be \$2902.44 for Pawnee County. After the first year, if no participants, Pawnee County will have to pay \$1000.00 for the year, if there were participants the first year Pawnee County would have to pay the \$1000.00 plus the number of participant fees. Of the 11 open cases Pawnee County currently has three people that would be eligible to participate. Pawnee County would probably average 1 – 3 people a year that would be referred to drug court. After discussion Seitz moved and Lang seconded to approve Pawnee County participation in the Drug Court. Voting Seitz (yes), Schardt (yes) and Lang (yes). Stehlik Ladman then discussed tax foreclosures, two old and



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one new tax foreclosures ready for sale on February 18, 2019. Stehlik Ladman suggests having a minimum bid that covers the taxes that are owed to the school. No action taken.

Pam Armknecht, SENCA, met with the Board and discussed the transit budget agreement. SENCA is changing their budget request from one year to two years. The two-year request is \$8,677.00 with the one-year request being \$4338.34. No action taken, Den will talk to Pawnee City to see if they want to still be involved in the interlocal with Pawnee County or to take it over.

Chris Rauner, Hwy Supt, and Heather Duryea, Admin Asst, met with the Board. There was no rock report. After discussion Lang moved and Seitz seconded to approve Resolution 19-9 Certification of Completion for the LPA High Risk Rural Road Advance Railroad Warning Sign Project Program Agreement (BL 1666). Voting Schardt (yes), Lang (yes) and Seitz (yes). Phillip Schneider with RDO Truck Center and Chris discussed the special purchase of a 2019 Mack PI64T that is readily available and ready to go for Pawnee County within one month for the purchase price of \$115,284.00. Since Pawnee County is short of rock trucks due to an accident in 2018 Seitz moved and Lang seconded to approve the special purchase pursuant to Nebraska State Statute 23-3109(3) of the 2019 Mack PI64T from RDO Truck Center for \$115,284.00 to be delivered within one month. Voting Lang (yes), Seitz (yes) and Schardt (yes). Chris discussed #35 motor grader is being worked on and Pawnee County has a loaner until repairs are done, the machine is under warranty. Road workers worked half a day Saturday and all-day Sunday moving snow. Chris will be working on one-and-six-year plan. Chris was notified by the State of Nebraska that Pawnee County was selected for three separate proposals from the County Bridge Match Program. Package #1 – Bridge C006700505, located 4 miles west and 8.3 south of Burchard, will be replaced with a pre-cast deck slab bridge and bridge C006700810P located northwest of Steinauer will be removed; Package #2 – Bridge C006700605, located 1.5 miles north and 4.5 miles west of Steinauer, will be replaced with a box culvert and bridge C006704105P located east of Table Rock will be removed; Package #3 – Bridge C006701815, located 5 miles east of Burchard, will be replaced with a concrete box culvert.

The Board discussed and reviewed the NACO health insurance renewal plans. No action taken. The Board discussed the Sheriff Interlocal Agreement between Pawnee County and the City of Pawnee City. Den will meet with Deb Klein and John Dahlgren to discuss.

The following claims were reviewed and signed:

NET PAYROLL 30488.92; FWH 2672.26; SWH 1111.99; FICA 4879.84; MICA 1141.24; RETIREMENT 4838.30; NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT 1020.00; DELTA DENTAL 287.36; UNION DUES 75.00; AMERITAS 97.80; AMERICAN HERITAGE 120.86; MADISON LIFE 70.40; UNITED HEALTHCARE 10296.11; DIRECT DEPOSTI FEE 10.00

## **GENERAL FUND:**

Ambulance Service 1000.00; Charles Bentjen, court appt atty 342.00; Black Hills Energy, heat 175.14; Capital Business Systems, equipment 150.50; Casey's, fuel 662.95; City of Pawnee City, water/sewer 81.72; Cline Williams, board attorney 6189.00; Cheryl Dahlgren, 96.00 prior service retirement; Des Moines Stamp, supplies 109.40; Driver's License Guide, supplies 29.95; Farmer's Cooperative, fuel 16.77; Gage County, bailiff fees 808.57; H&H Auto, supplies 14.18; Johnson County Treasurer, quarterly dispatch payment 12996.02;



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Johnson County Sheriff, inmate lodging 845.00; Oliva Kalin, prior service retirement 132.00; Stephen Kraviec, child support enforcement 1018.30; Mid-American Research, supplies 249.01; MIPS, programs & support 2166.56; Morrissey, Morrissey & Dalluge, court appt atty 210.00; O'Keefe Elevator, repairs 2934.00; Otoe County Sheriff, service fee 6.00; Pawnee County Clerk, reimburse postage 6.70; Pawnee County Sheriff, service fee 18.50; Pawnee Republican, publishing 185.91; Quill, supplies 312.18; RC Booth, plat books & maps 2720.00; Region V Services, quarterly participation 1234.00; Smith & Smith, court appt atty 540.00; Stehlik Law, reimbursement mileage 98.54; Donna Svanda, retirement prior services 132.00; True Value, supplies 162.70; US Bank, supplies 140.67; Verizon, Sheriff cell 266.93; Floyd Vrtiska, retirement prior services 216.00; Joyce Bowman Walsh, retirement prior services 276.00; Wherry Brother Mortuaries general assistance burial 1200.00; Windstream, courthouse telephone 739.77; Carol Young, retirement prior services 60.00;

## **ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:**

Casey's, fuel 44.94; City of Pawnee City, water/sewer 74.72; Dan Dugan, road/bridge improvements 1000.00; Farmer's Cooperative, fuel & supplies 210.76; Friedly Oil, fuel 207.00; Hamm, rock 802.63; Garry Harris, retirement prior services 180.00; WIN Investments, Rauner lodging 219.90; Martin Marietta, rock 5746.66; Clarence McClintock, retirement prior services 204.00; Medical Enterprises, personnel testing 75.00; NPPD 147.20; OPPD 86.88; State of NE Motor Fuels, fuel tax 401.00; Lloyd Stepan, retirement prior services 276.00; Robert Tichy, surveyor 829.16; Windstream 199.24; Zees Backhoe Services, road improvements 1305.00;

## **911 FUND:**

Johnson County 911, quarterly payment 2354.00.

Chairman Schaardt adjourned the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

S/Dennis Schaardt

S/Jan Lang

S/ Ron Seitz

Attest: Candi Nicholas, Pawnee County Clerk

The next Board of Commissioner meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 29, 2019 beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the first-floor meeting room of the Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee City, Nebraska.