

**PAWNEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**MAY 16, 2023**

The Pawnee County Board of Commissioners met in regular session, which was open to the public, on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 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, April 27, 2023, issue of the Pawnee Republican. Present were Ron Seitz, Jan Lang, Lavon Heidemann and County Clerk, Candi Nicholas. Chairman Seitz opened the meeting and announced the open meeting law poster is posted on the east wall of the meeting room. Lang moved and Heidemann seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2023 Commissioner meeting. Voting: Seitz (abstain), Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes). Lang moved and Heidemann seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Voting: Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes). Heidemann moved and Lang seconded the motion to approve the claims as presented. Voting: Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes), Lang (yes).

There was no discussion regarding ARPA Funds. The Board reviewed the April month end Clerk, Register of Deeds, Clerk of District Court, Treasurer, fiscal year to date Clerk of District Court and the June through April Treasurer accumulated reports.

At 9:05 public comment was held. There was no public comment.

John DeFreece, Pawnee County Ag Society, met with the Board and discussed the special liquor license for the Pawnee County Fair to be held July 19<sup>th</sup> through July 23<sup>rd</sup>. They are requesting a special liquor license for Wednesday July 19<sup>th</sup> and Thursday July 20<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 p.m. through 2:00 a.m. and Friday July 21<sup>st</sup>, Saturday July 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday July 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. through 2:00 a.m. After discussion Lang moved and Heidemann seconded to approve the special liquor license for the Pawnee Ag Society at the Pawnee County Fair at the times and dates listed above. Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes).

Terry Kerl, Zoning Admin, and Carl Jacobson, Summit Pork, met with the Board to discuss a conditional use permit for a new construction class II confined animal feeding use, up to 2,500 animal units in the SW ¼ NW ¼ of 6-3-12. There is a well on site that is already on the property and will not pump more than fifty gallons per minute. There was a zoning meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup> where the zoning board voted unanimously to approve the permit for the new construction. After discussion Heidemann moved and Lang seconded to approve the class II confined animal feeding use, up to 2,500 animal units on part of SW ¼ NW ¼ of 6-3-12. Voting: Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes).

Chris Reece, Drug Court, met with the Board with Adult Drug Court updates, after discussion Heidemann moved and Lang seconded to approve the Southeast Nebraska Adult Drug Court

Interlocal Agreement 2023-2024 Between Otoe, Richardson, Nemaha, Johnson and Pawnee Counties. Voting: Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes), Lang (yes).

Braden Lang, Sheriff, and Brad Willey, Deputy Sheriff, met with the Board to discuss outfitting the new vehicle. Willey estimates that it will take approximately eighty hours of work to outfit the vehicle. After discussion Willey agreed to outfit the new vehicle at overtime rate of pay out of a fund other than the Sheriff office and will do it on the clock. This will be renegotiated for future vehicles.

Byford Schmit, Pawnee County Veteran's Memorial, met with the Board and discussed information regarding an addition to the Veteran's Memorial of another flag pole and a bench. This will not be outside of the perimeter of the original memorial and will be no cost to the county.

Candi Nicholas, Clerk, met with the Board to discuss Commissioner meeting dates and payrolls following a holiday. After discussion Lang moved and Heidemann seconded to change Commissioner meeting dates that follow a holiday from Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. to Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes). In 2023 this will change Commissioner meetings on September 5<sup>th</sup> to September 6<sup>th</sup> and December 26<sup>th</sup> to December 27<sup>th</sup>.

Chris Rauner, Hwy Supt, met with the Board. Chris gave the rock report and discussed various projects and personnel. Chairman Seitz signed the contract between Pawnee County and Tim Sisco Construction LLC for Table Rock Southwest, C-67(261) Project that was approved on December 27, 2022. Chris discussed open positions at the road department.

Braden Lang, Sheriff, John Samuelson, Deputy Sheriff, Nancy Tilton, Sheriff Admin Asst., Emily Sisco, County Attorney, John Werner, Pawnee County Memorial Hospital, met with the Board to discuss EMS and dispatch. The County Attorney, Sheriff Office and Hospital are asking to be included in decision making regarding the proposed new dispatch equipment and dispatch. Dennis Schardt, Table Rock Fire Department, joined the meeting.

The following claims were reviewed and signed:

NET PAYROLL 38190.28; FWH 3344.43; SWH 1630.93; FICA 6115.92; MICA 1430.32;  
RETIREMENT 5829.51; NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT 1400.00; DELTA DENTAL 322.82; AMERITAS  
94.90; AMERICAN HERITAGE 98.99; MADISON LIFE 84.39; UNITED HEALTHCARE 10697.86;  
DIRECT DEPOSIT FEE 10.00;

**GENERAL FUND:**

Black Hills Energy 63.64; City of Pawnee City, water/sewer 83.17; Cobblestone Hotel, Broken Bow, Wiers lodging 95.00; Daiken Applied, annual maintenance contract 1920.00 & repairs 1516.80; DAS State Accounting, data storage 199.32; Dept Revenue, Property Assessment, Wiers registration 290.00; Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts & Ziskey, court appt atty 3901.50; Farm & Home Publishers, plat books 625.00; Gage County, 1<sup>st</sup> quarter bailiff fees 788.42; H&H Auto, Sheriff repairs 3.99; Hampton Inn, North Platte, Wiers lodging 520.00; Hasselbalch Pharmacy, inmate medical 12.30; Stephen J. Kraviec, child support enforcement 1008.66; Kyles Service Center, Sheriff repairs 241.00; Maximus, 2020 cost allocation plan 1750.00; NACO, first half dues 1289.46; Pawnee City Thriftway, janitor supplies 27.90; Pawnee County Clerk, reimburse postage 2.46; Pawnee County Sheriff, service fee 18.50; Pawnee Republican, publishing 93.00 & Clerk subscription 45.00; SoarinGroup, IT labor District Court 347.18; TK Elevator, elevator maintenance 314.76; Pawnee True Value, janitor supplies 209.80; U.S. Bank, Treasurer postage 114.51, lodging King .99 & Sheriff equipment 945.96; Verizon Wireless, Sheriff cell phones 361.08; Windstream, courthouse telephones 968.68;

**ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:**

BARCO, signage 638.46; Binder Bros, supplies 14.08; Black Hills Energy, 131.90; City of Pawnee City, water/sewer 77.80; Den's Country Meats, fuel 385.26; Diversified Drug Testing, personnel testing 90.00; Farmer's Cooperative, fuel 1856.91; Friedly Oil, fuel 9209.03 and tires 490.00; H&H Auto, supplies 813.26; John Deere Financial, motor grader pmt. 9759.47; Kyle's Service, tires 2074.00 & repairs 512.85; Martin Marietta, rock 26994.76; Metal Culverts, culverts 18896.60; Midwest Service, supplies 2315.00; NMC, repairs 4753.89; NPPD 126.32; OPPD 34.40; Speers Truck Repair, repairs 4265.12; Robert Tichy, surveyor 750.00; Pawnee True Value, supplies 283.47; US Bank, shop fuel 47.00; Windstream, shop telephone 168.65;

Chairman Seitz adjourned the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

S/Ron Seitz

S/Jan Lang

S/ Lavon Heidemann

Attest: Candi Nicholas, Pawnee County Clerk