

PAWNEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 27, 2023

The Pawnee County Board of Commissioners met in regular session, which was open to the public, on Tuesday, June 27, 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, June 1, 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 Seitz seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2023 Commissioner meeting. Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (abstain). Lang moved and Heidemann seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Voting: Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes). Heidemann moved and Seitz seconded the motion to approve the claims as presented. Voting: Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes), Lang (abstain).

After discussion regarding ARPA Funds there was no action taken. After discussion Lang moved and Heidemann seconded to approve the July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 Agreement for EPC Services Between Region V Systems and Pawnee County. Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes). After discussion Lang moved and Seitz seconded to move \$647.48 to County Assessor (0100 605), \$626.89 to County Extension (0100 645) and \$23009.21 to County Sheriff (0100 651) from Miscellaneous General (0100 970) all within the General Fund due to the departments being short of funds before the end of the fiscal year. Voting: Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes).

At 9:10 public comment was held. There was no public comment.

Patrick Kreifels, Regional Administrator for Region V Systems, met with the Board and gave annual updates. The annual match for Pawnee County in 2023-2024 will be \$6359.00.

Megan Buckley, Pawnee County/Johnson County Emergency Manager, met with the Board, introduced herself and gave office updates.

Emily Sisco, County Attorney, met with the Board and requested executive session for the protection of the public interest to discuss possible litigation. Lang moved and Heidemann seconded to enter into executive session at 10:03 a.m. for the protection of the public interest to discuss possible litigation. Voting: Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes), Lang (yes). At 10:19 a.m. Heidemann moved and Lang seconded to exit executive session. Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes). Heidemann moved and Lang seconded to approve \$7000.00 for settlement of litigation. Voting: Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes).

Braden Lang, Sheriff, met with the Board at their request to discuss the Canine Fund.

Chris Rauner, Hwy Supt, met with the Board. There was no rock report. Chris discussed rock prices, equipment, various projects, personnel and insurance. Lang moved and Heidemann seconded to approve Resolution 23-14 changing the county health insurance contributions to the county paying 100% employee only, 90% employee/child, employee/spouse, and family and the employee paying 10% effective with the August 1st premium. Voting: Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes), Lang (yes).

Candi Nicholas, Clerk, met with the Board to request a new fund be established for the OPIOD Settlement payments as the County may only spend the funds on OPIOD Remediation, the funds are currently in Miscellaneous General under judgments and settlements. After discussion Heidemann moved and Lang seconded to approve Resolution 23-15 adding an OPIOD Settlement Fund to the Treasurer, Clerk and Budget records and to complete a claim to the Pawnee County Treasurer to transfer \$5,454.28 from the General Fund to the new OPIOD Settlement fund. Voting: Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes).

The following claims were reviewed and signed:

NET PAYROLL 38166.22; FWH 3513.74; SWH 1693.28; FICA 6140.40; MICA 1435.94;
RETIREMENT 5756.46; DIRECT DEPOSIT FEE 10.00;

GENERAL FUND:

Pam Bennett, mental health board training 160.00; Black Hills Energy 48.20; Capital Business Systems, Extension lease pmt 170.00; Crowne Plaza, lodging Lang & Seitz workshop Kearney 559.80; DAS State Accounting, data storage 95.32; Falls City Mercantile, janitor supplies 295.41; Dylan Handley, court appt atty 1463.00; Johnson County Sheriff, service fees 18.00; Cindy Johnson, mileage conference Gering 599.98; Kyles Service Center, Sheriff repairs 75.55; Jan Lang, mileage workshop Kearney 282.96; MIPS, Treasurer supplies 307.90; Candice Nicholas, mileage workshop Kearney 260.04; NPPD 774.37; Paper Tiger, Attorney shredding 50.00; Pawnee County Court, uncollectible court costs 703.10; Pawnee County Sheriff, service fee 35.81, vehicle registration 15.00; postage 6.88; Pawnee Republican, publishing 75.14; Physicians Laboratory, toxicology 791.00; Post Master, Clerk postage 312.00; Seneca Sanitation, garbage 108.00; Emily Sisco, coroner mileage 30.39; U.S. Bank, Clerk lodging Nicholas 268.20; Treasurer supplies 2156.47, postage 389.91, lodging Johnson 210.00, & Sheriff equipment 1708.25, office equipment 504.06, dues 50.00, postage 15.30; US Postal Service, Clerk supplies 2263.50; Vickie Wiers, mileage workshop North Platte 391.69;

ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:

Black Hills Energy, 47.52; Caterpillar, payoff motor grader 108654.63; Den's Country Meats, fuel 315.59; Heritage Tractor, repairs 44.79; John Deere Financial, pay off motor grader 186620.80; Kyle's Service, tires & repairs 2900.00; Martin Marietta, rock 29097.73; Metal Culverts, culverts 23382.90; NMC, repairs 4010.95; NPPD 63.16; Pawnee County Treasurer, per Resolution 22-21 reimburse Special Road Fund 215299.28; Seneca Sanitation, garbage 108.00; Speers Truck Repair, repairs 2568.54; Tim Sisco Construction, Table Rock Southwest C-62(261) final payment 48968.42; US Bank, fuel 175.00 & supplies 25.54;

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND:

U.S. Bank, Sheriff fuel 971.73

Chairman Seitz adjourned the meeting at 11:33 p.m.

S/Ron Seitz

S/Jan Lang

S/ Lavon Heidemann

Attest: Candi Nicholas, Pawnee County Clerk