

Osceola, Nebraska  
January 17, 2023

Pursuant to notice published in the January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 issue of the Polk County News, the Board of County Commissioners convened at 9:30 a.m. with all members present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Chairman Westring informed those in attendance that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room.

A motion was made by Boruch that Jerry Westring be elected as Chairman for 2023. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, abstain.

A motion was made by Boss that Ron Boruch be elected as Vice Chairman for 2023. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boss, aye; Westring, aye; Boruch, abstain.

The County Board membership of various boards was reviewed. Board members will continue as members of the boards they are presently serving on.

Claims were audited and a motion was made by Westring that claims be allowed and warrants drawn against the various funds in the amounts listed below. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Westring, aye; Boss, aye; Boruch, aye.

#### GENERAL FUND

General Fund	Salaries	\$66,056.02
Advanced Correctional Healthcare**	Supplies	\$59.29
Arkfeld Lock & Security	Supplies	\$649.94
Aurora Cooperative	Fuel	\$38.79
Black Hills Energy	Supplies	\$5,734.58
Blue 360 Medica LLC	Supplies	\$90.75
Coral R Boden	Retirement	\$120.00
Marilyn K Buhl	Retirement	\$36.00
Burg Auto Repair Inc.	Service	\$409.05
Central Valley AG	Fuel	\$967.39
City of Osceola	Utilities	\$645.34
Clerk of the District Court	Court Costs	\$72.00
Ronald E Colling	Reimbursement/Rent	\$660.00
Connect America	Service	\$122.00
Connecting Point	Supplies/Service	\$277.97
Contryman Associates P.C.	Service	\$10,500.00
Cubby's, Inc.	Fuel	\$597.88
Eakes Office Solutions	Supplies	\$755.05
Economy Hometown Market	Supplies	\$206.80
Cheryl Erickson	Mileage	\$75.26
Farm & Home Publishers, Inc. LTD	Supplies	\$625.00
First Concord Benefits Group	Fees	\$200.00
Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co.	Life Insurance	\$142.57
Frontier Cooperative Company	Fuel	\$821.97
Gary's Plumbing LLC	Supplies	\$16.58
Gene Steffy Ford	Service	\$71.59
Jackson Services Inc.	Supplies	\$159.40
Lifeline	Service	\$341.33
Lincoln Journal Star	Supplies	\$96.95
Loffler	Service	\$1,118.33
Microfilm Imaging Systems, Inc.	Rent	\$128.00
Midlands Printing LLC	Service	\$135.43
Osceola Food Mart	Supplies	\$14.66
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Service	\$312.80
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies	\$8.55
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies	\$44.57
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Service	\$332.00
PIP Printing	Supplies	\$324.65
Polk County Health Ins. Deductible	Deductible	\$5,153.78
Polk Co. Clerk	Retirement	\$4,309.71
Polk County Court	Service	\$204.00
Polk County Extension Tax Account	Service/Supplies	\$201.89
Polk County Sheriff	Court Costs	\$12.00
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$4,924.76

Justin Pritchard	Reimbursement	\$35.00
Region V Systems	Service	\$6,892.00
Shelby Auto Clinic	Service	\$84.54
Sparrow Publications, LLC	Service	\$2,301.66
State of NE Secretary of State Election Division	Supplies	\$20.00
Ruth N. Stromberg	Retirement	\$168.00
Tonniges Chevrolet Inc.	Supplies	\$103.49
Triple S Service	Service	\$150.00
Verizon Wireless	Service	\$70.38
VVS, Inc. Canteen	Supplies	\$37.25
Vyve Broadband	Service	\$1,506.30
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service/Fee	\$732.81
911 Custom	Supplies	\$101.00

#### ROAD FUND

Road Fund	Salaries	\$31,968.11
Anderson Service	Parts/Labor	\$18,890.30
Black Hills Energy	Service	\$620.59
Tucker Boden	Reimbursement	\$61.49
Burg Auto Repair Inc.	Supplies/Repair	\$22.50
Central Valley AG	Fuel	\$1,028.83
City of Osceola	Utilities	\$90.10
City of Stromsburg	Utilities	\$367.32
Cubby's, Inc.	Fuel	\$287.95
Ericson Cash Hardware	Supplies	\$187.67
Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co.	Life Insurance	\$81.55
Frontier Cooperative Company	Fuel	\$920.46
Darrell D Gabel	Retirement	\$132.00
Gary's Plumbing LLC	Supplies	\$25.05
Leroy Gerrard	Retirement	\$84.00
David Ienn	Retirement	\$84.00
Island Supply Welding Company	Supplies	\$175.05
John Deere Financial	Parts	\$323.21
Midwest Service & Sales Co.	Signs	\$4,584.50
Overland Ready Mixed	Gravel & Borrow	\$513.19
Polk Co Clerk Retirement	Retirement	\$2,022.85
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$2,429.23
Platte County Highway Department	Asphalt Project	\$250,746.47
Polk County Health Department	Service	\$100.00
Polk Light & Water	Utilities	\$107.20
Pomp's Tire Service, Inc.	Tires/Repair	\$14,359.74
PowerPlan	Parts/Labor	\$2,360.58
Rally Auto Parts	Parts/Supplies	\$1,104.02
Thomas L Rodene	Retirement	\$84.00
SAPP Bros. Inc.-Clarks	Supplies	\$22,483.28
Toofast Supply	Tools	\$32.52
David Udey	Retirement	\$96.00
Mark S Udey	Retirement	\$60.00
Verizon Wireless	Service	\$65.90
Village of Shelby	Utilities	\$91.63
VYVE Broadband	Service	\$76.28
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$194.28

#### SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICE CENTER FUND

Midwest Covenant Home	Service	14,734.67
Obrist	Equipment	203.30
Sanford Health	Service	35.00
VYVE Broadband	Service	355.58

#### INHERITANCE TAX FUND

Applied Connective Technologies	Computer Expense	\$2,409.00
DAS State ACCTG-Central Finance	Service	\$387.32
MIPS	Computer Expense	\$2,233.02
Pictometry International, Inc.	Service	\$23,617.66

#### 911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$474.31
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WEED FUND

Black Hills Energy	Service	\$71.68
James Carlson	Reimbursement	\$80.00
City of Osceola	Utilities	\$88.92
Constellation Newenergy Gas Division	Fuel	\$13.73
Frontier Cooperative Company	Fuel	\$124.63

The following fees for the month of December were earned by the various offices and submitted to the County Treasurer. County Treasurer receipts show fees earned were credited to the appropriate county funds.

Jodie L. Roberts, Clerk of District	\$254.00
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A motion was made by Boruch to reappoint Daniel J. Theis (License Number S-1365, Class A) as Highway Superintendent for calendar year 2023. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Westring, aye; Boss, aye.

A motion was made by Boruch to reappoint James L. Carlson as Weed Superintendent for calendar year 2023. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, aye.

A motion was made by Boss to reappoint Jerry Westring as Zoning Administrator for calendar year 2023. The motion was seconded by Boruch and the roll call vote was Boss, aye; Boruch, aye; Westring, abstain.

A motion was made by Boruch to appoint Debra S. Girard to prepare the 2023-2024 county budget. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, aye.

The Board designated the Polk County website ([polkcounty.nebraska.gov](http://polkcounty.nebraska.gov)) as an additional method of providing notice of the County's meetings.

The Board signed the annual signature report for the Secretary of State's office.

The audit report for fiscal year 2021-2022 has been received from Contryman Associates and is available to the public.

Emergency Manager Logan Watts provided an update of his activities to the Board. He has now completed all of the certifications required for the position. One of his goals is to provide more educational opportunities for preparedness, especially for the fire departments and ambulance squads. Spreading awareness to the general public about Alert Sense is another priority. The salary for the Emergency Manager was discussed but no action was taken.

At 10:00 a.m., a motion was made by Boss to open the hearing on the application for a change of zoning for a tract in the W ½ SW ¼ 22-14-1 as advertised. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boss, aye; Westring, aye; Boruch, aye. The applicant, Red Bud Lake, LLC, was represented by Erik Johnson. No other interested persons appeared. Changing the existing lake and surrounding area from the Rural Conservation zoning district to the Agricultural Residential zoning district would put this property in to the same zoning districts as the other lakes in the area created by the extraction of sand and gravel. At 10:15 a.m., a motion was made by Boss to close the hearing. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boss, aye; Westring, aye; Boruch, aye. A motion was made by Boss to approve the application for change of zoning for the tract consisting of approximately 44 acres owned by Red Bud Lake, LLC in the W ½ SW ¼ 22-16-1 from Rural Conservation to Agricultural Residential. The motion was seconded by Boruch and the roll call vote was Boss, aye; Boruch, aye; Westring, aye.

The Polk County Patriots cancelled their appointment with the Board.

At 10:40 a.m., a motion was made by Boruch to go into executive session to discuss personnel. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Westring, aye; Boss, aye. Also present were Assessor Krance, Sheriff Ladwig and the County

