

Pursuant to notice published in the November 2<sup>nd</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.

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 Boruch and the roll call vote was Westring, aye; Boruch, aye; Boss, aye.

GENERAL FUND

General	Salaries	\$72,394.08
Adams County Sheriff	Service	\$19.50
AKRS Equipment Solutions, Inc.	Service	\$271.50
Black Hills Energy	Utilities	\$45.79
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Insurance	\$24,632.08
BTS Communications	Service	\$2,370.00
Burg Auto Repair Inc.	Service	\$241.03
Charles Campbell	Service	\$145.36
City of Columbus	Service	\$82,687.50
City of Osceola	Service	\$718.13
City of Stromsburg	Service	\$192.36
Clear Live LLC	Service	\$32.53
Clearly	Service	\$621.54
Clearly***	Service	\$261.16
Clearly**	Service	\$20.26
CMRS-Poc	Postage	\$3,500.00
Consolidated Management Company	Service	\$548.00
Culligan of York	Rent	\$44.50
Eakes Office Solutions	Supplies/Service	\$2,169.76
Economy Hometown Market	Supplies	\$51.35
FFF Enterprises, Inc.	Supplies	\$1,290.26
Fort Dearborn Life Insurance	Life Insurance	\$149.50
Frontier Cooperative Company	Fuel	\$1,610.54
Gary's Plumbing LLC	Service	\$230.60
Great Plains Uniforms	Supplies	\$31.40
Hometown Leasing	Lease	\$123.83
Jackson Services Inc.	Reimbursement	\$79.91
Johansen Repair	Service	\$478.00
Jodi Krance	Reimbursement	\$441.96
Lifeline	Service	\$325.85
Timothy P. Matas	Service	\$1,388.30
Menards-Columbus	Supplies	\$11.92
Midland Irrigation	Service	\$50.00
Midland Telecom Inc.	Service	\$300.00
Midwest Connect	Fee	\$5.00
Midwest Service & Sales Co.	Service	\$50.00
ML Smith Law Office	Service	\$775.00
NACO	Membership	\$1,879.39
National Pen Co. LLC	Supplies	\$396.89
NE Law Enforcement Training Center	Service	\$350.00
NE Sheriff's Association	Service	\$500.00
Oberg Locksmith & Security Services	Supplies	\$392.00
Olson's Pest Technicians Inc.	Service	\$205.00
Colleen Pallas	Reimbursement	\$661.60
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies	\$169.90
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies	\$26.54
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies/Service	\$752.29
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Service	\$104.00
Polk Co. Clerk Retirement Deposit	Retirement	\$4,730.90
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$5,351.77
Platte County Detention Facility	Service	\$1,338.16
Polk County Rural Public Power Dist.	Service	\$3,505.79
Polk County Sheriff	Fees	\$333.19
Quest Diagnostics	Service	\$413.28
Redman's Turf Service	Service	\$825.00
Region V Systems	Service	\$642.00

Shelby Auto Clinic	Service	\$1,064.14
Shelby Lumber Co. Inc.	Supplies	\$10.43
Rebecca Smith	Reimbursement	\$70.00
Sparrow Publications, Inc.	Service	\$740.16
St Paul Lutheran Church	Rent	\$100.00
Svehla, Thomas, Rauert, PC	Service	\$12.50
Telephone Systems of Nebraska, Inc.	Service	\$2,510.76
Ken Toline	Reimbursement	\$66.00
UNL AEM Business Center	Agreement	\$13,460.99
Verizon Wireless**	Service	\$360.12
VYVE Broadband	Service	\$625.45
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$283.21
Ziamba Roofing Company	Service	\$289.00

#### ROAD FUND

Road Fund	Salaries	\$31,912.11
Black Hills Energy	Service	\$66.17
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Insurance	\$8,567.68
Carl's Skrap	Service	\$40.00
Central Valley AG	Fuel Tax	\$914.41
City of Osceola	Service	\$117.43
City of Stromsburg	Utilities	\$167.57
Dale R Johnson Enterprises	Gravel and Borrow	\$54,368.44
Del-Ray Quality Alt. & Starters	Supplies	\$74.45
Filter Care	Supplies	\$179.40
Fort Dearborn Life Insurance	Life Insurance	\$81.40
Frontier Cooperative Company	Fuel	\$949.75
Gary's Plumbing LLC	Supplies	\$186.47
Johnson Sand & Gravel Co. Inc.	Gravel and Borrow	\$17,101.13
Medical Enterprises Inc.	Supplies/Service	\$111.25
Midland Telecom Inc.	Service	\$505.00
Osceola Implement & Supply Inc.	Supplies	\$193.63
Osceola Tire & Service	Supplies	\$67.50
Polk Co. Clerk Retirement Deposit	Retirement	\$1,999.09
Polk County Rural Public Power Dist.	Service	\$187.59
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$2,420.64
Polk Light & Water	Utilities	\$85.01
Power plan	Service	\$1,731.95
Rally Auto Parts	Supplies/Service	\$1,081.43
SAPP Bros. Inc.-Clarks	Supplies	\$23,396.62
Shelby Lumber Co. Inc.	Supplies	\$79.03
Tire Outlet, Inc.	Supplies	\$60.00
Trausch Dynamics	Service	\$163.53
Truck Center Companies-York	Service	\$547.38

#### COVID AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND

BTS Communications	Service	\$3,630.00
Andrea Ortegren	Service	\$200.00
R&R Delivery	Service	\$1,370.75
Darla Winslow	Equip. Reimburse.	\$3,799.60

#### INHERITANCE TAX FUND

Applied Connective Technologies	Service	\$2,556.34
DAS State Acctg-Central Finance	Service	\$537.60
MIPS	Service	\$2,286.55

#### 911 EMERGENCY FUND

Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$296.99
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#### WEED FUND

James Carlson	Reimbursement	\$28.16
City of Osceola	Service	\$98.03
Constellation New Energy Gas Division	Service	3.36
Frontier Cooperative Company	Fuel	\$531.98
Polk County Rural Public Power Dist.	Service	\$43.94
Sparrow Publications, LLC	Service	\$133.75

The following fees for the month of October 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.

Dwaine W. Ladwig, Sheriff	\$710.16
Debra S. Girard, County Clerk	\$5,573.25

The County Jail Report for the month of October was reviewed by the Board and approved.

The inventory of the Polk County Extension was reviewed by the Board and approved.

A motion was made by Westring to transfer \$23,000 from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the Highway Bond Fund as budgeted. The motion was seconded by Boruch and the roll call vote was Westring, aye; Boruch, aye; Boss, aye.

A motion was made by Boss to sign the agreement with the Administrative Office of the Court for calendar year 2024 which combines the offices of the county and district courts and authorizes the Clerk Magistrate to perform the duties of the Clerk of the District Court. In return the County shall reimburse the Office of the Court for half of the salary of the Clerk Magistrate. The motion was seconded by Boruch and the roll call vote was Boss, aye; Boruch, aye; Westring, aye.

A motion was made by Boruch to adopt a resolution stating Polk County's intentions to recommit to the interlocal agreements with various other Nebraska counties and other public agencies that form the Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association (NIRMA) and the Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association II (NIRMA II). The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, aye.

A Memorandum of Understanding for the 30/64 connector project was presented to the Board for approval. The agreement, which has been adopted by the Platte County Board of Supervisors, covers the pursuit of grant funds to pay for a comprehensive engineering planning study and also includes the City of Columbus, Butler County, and Colfax County in the project. A motion was made by Boss authorizing the Chairman to sign the interlocal agreement as presented. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boss, aye; Westring, aye; Boruch, aye.

Two bids were received for the fire alarm system upgrade for the courthouse. After reviewing the bids, a motion was made by Boruch to accept the low bid of Protex Central for \$109,669.35 with the project to be paid for with ARPA funds. The upgrade will include a new fire alarm panel and wireless detectors.

Assessor Krance presented a revised contract with Central Plains Valuation, LLC for the reappraisal of the residential parcels in the four towns. The Nebraska Dept. of Revenue Property Tax division requested a wording change in the original contract that was approved by the Board at the last meeting. A motion was made by Boss authorizing the Chairman to sign the revised contract for property reappraisal with Central Plains Valuation, LLC as presented. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boss, aye; Westring, aye; Boruch, aye.

At 11:00 a.m., bids were opened for a new motor grader. Bids from three vendors and two "no bids" were received. Representatives from A1 Iron Corp., Nebraska Machinery Company, and Murphy Tractor reviewed their bids with the Board and Supt. Theis. Action on the bids will be taken at the November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Board.

No bids were received for a telehandler.

Highway Supt. Theis also updated the Board on the work being done in the Road Dept. The semi tractor is still being worked on but the pickup getting a new transmission is back in service. Foreman Ericson would like to add clay to a portion of Q Road in the valley and culvert projects will be worked on both this week and next, weather permitting. The cracks will be sealed on the concrete road north of Polk as well. Repair estimates have been received on two of the motor graders but Supt. Theis will review the estimates to see if there is some work that the crew can do to lower the cost. Bridge inspections will also begin soon.

