

Osceola, Nebraska
February 21, 2023

Pursuant to notice published in the February 16th, 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 Boss and the roll call vote was Westring, aye; Boss, aye; Boruch, aye.

GENERAL FUND

General Fund	Salaries	\$61,536.26
All Faiths Funeral Home	Service	\$2,200.00
Awards & Engraving	Supplies	\$12.00
Black Hills Energy	Fuel	\$6,178.86
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Insurance	\$20,599.40
Blue 360 Medic LLC	Supplies	\$90.75
Bryan Medical Center	Supplies	\$22.00
BTS Communications	Service	\$247.50
Burg Auto Repair Inc.	Service	\$89.57
Connect America	Service	\$122.00
Eakes Office Solutions	Supplies	\$481.48
Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co.	Life Insurance	\$143.35
Graham Tire Co. North	Service	\$1,284.76
Hays Land Surveying, LLC	Service	\$3,800.00
Lifeline	Service	\$341.33
Lutz	Supplies	\$127.50
MARC	Supplies	\$851.00
Menards-Columbus	Supplies	\$249.75
MIPS	Supplies	\$213.92
NE Association of Co Clerks	Dues	\$50.00
Oberg Locksmith & Security Service	Supplies	\$286.25
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Service	\$312.98
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies	\$90.15
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Supplies	\$378.83
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Service	\$11.01
Polk County Retirement Deposit	Retirement	\$3,922.42
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$4,583.87
Polk County Court	Court Costs	\$49.00
Polk County Extension Tax Account	Service	\$70.87
Sparrow Publications, LLC	Printing	\$382.24
Thomson Reuters-West	Supplies	\$1,312.80
Verizon Wireless	Service	\$70.84
Vyve Broadband	Service	\$768.74
Jerry Westring	Reimbursement	\$25.56
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$671.74
911 Custom	Supplies	\$224.75

ROAD FUND

Road Fund	Salaries	\$31,718.11
Arvest Bank	Rental	\$5,325.00
Black Hills Energy	Fuel	\$600.33
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Insurance	\$31,718.11
Cubby's, Inc.	Fuel	\$457.46
Curtis Ericson	Service	\$22.58
Filter Care	Parts	\$9.00
Fort Dearborn Life Insurance Co.	Life Insurance	\$76.25
JEO Consulting Group Inc.	Fees	\$2,250.00
John Deere Financial	Supplies/Oil	\$1,292.40
Klein's blue River Power & Rental	Supplies	\$6.72
Medical Enterprises Inc.	Service	\$40.00
Mullenhoff Sales	Equipment	\$3,300.00
NMC, Inc.	Parts/Labor/Grease /Oil	\$3,986.79
Overland Sand & Gravel	Gravel & Borrow	\$253.69
Polk Co. Clerk	Retirement	\$2,022.85
Polk County Tax Deposit Account	Social Security	\$2,411.54

Polk Light & Water	Utilities	\$143.53
Royston Inc.	Parts	\$575.00
Verizon Wireless	Service	\$65.90
VYVE Broadband	Service	\$76.28
Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$194.28

SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICE CENTER FUND

Sanford Health	Service	30.00
VYVE Broadband	Service	347.58

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

DAS State ACCTG-Central Finance	Service	\$387.32
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911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Windstream Nebraska Inc.	Service	\$977.51
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WEED FUND

Black Hills Energy	Service	\$72.20
James Carlson	Reimbursement	\$210.00
Constellation Newenergy Gas Division	Fuels	\$238.78
NE Weed Control Association	Registration	\$150.00
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Fees	\$90.00

The Board approved the collateral pledged by Polk County banks and held in custody by the County Treasurer.

The following fees for the month of January 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 Court \$150.00

Erika Schmidtberger met with the Board to ask for approval for a special designated permit to have alcohol at a function to be held on the Polk County Fairgrounds. A motion was made by Boruch to allow the Polk County Recreational Association to sell and serve alcohol on March 17th, 2023 in the Ag Pavilion on the Polk County Fairgrounds. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, aye.

Sheriff Ladwig and Emergency Manager Watts met with the Board to discuss purchasing upgraded portable radios for the Sheriff's Department. The new radios will still be able to communicate with the current portable radios and Emergency Manager Watts recommended giving two of the older radios to each fire department so they could communicate more efficiently with the Sheriff's Department. A motion was made by Boruch authorizing the purchase of 8 new all band portable radios, along with necessary related equipment and programming, from Motorola at the state bid price. The motion was seconded by Westring and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Westring, aye; Boss, aye.

Highway Supt. Theis and Foreman Ericson updated the Board on the work being done in the Road Dept. The new maintainer should be delivered this afternoon and there are transmission issues with one of the other maintainers. JEO has provided the list of needed survey information required for the bridge project and Supt. Theis will forward the list to Chris Hays. The company who does transverse cracking filling will be in the area this summer and would be available to work on the county blacktops. NIRMA will be here on Thursday to do the shop and sign audits. The 1 and 6 Year road plan hearing will be held next week.

At 11:25 a.m., a motion was made by Boruch to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, aye. Also present were Mark Gabel and the County Clerk. At 11:40 a.m., a motion was made by Westring to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Westring, aye; Boss, aye; Boruch, aye. Chairman Westring stated for the record that no formal action was taken and that only personnel matters were discussed.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m. to meet again on February 28th and March 7th, 2023. An agenda of the meetings will be available at the office of the County Clerk.

Approved: /S/ Debra S. Girard
 County Clerk

 /S/ Jerry Westring
 Chairman