

January 22, 2024  
North Platte, Nebraska

Meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners. Present were Commissioners Joe Hewgley, Micaela Wuehler, Chris Bruns, Jerry Woodruff and County Clerk, Rebecca Rossell. Hewgley offered prayer. Hewgley called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Commissioner Weems absent.

Chairman Hewgley announced the Open Meeting Act with amendments is posted for public review and the county board will comply with the open meeting requirements.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Wuehler to approve minutes of Lincoln County Board of Commissioners meeting on January 16, 2024, with a correction that Commissioner Bruns was appointed to the Economic Development Task Force on January 16, 2024. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Weems absent.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Bruns to receive and order filed the treasurer's receipts. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Weems absent.

Motion by Wuehler, seconded by Woodruff to receive and order filed the Condition of the Treasury of Lincoln County, NE from July 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023, as presented. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Weems absent.

Motion by Wuehler, seconded by Bruns to adopt Resolution No. 2024-03 in support of LB 869. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Weems absent.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to receive and order filed the fee report submitted by the County Sheriff for \$1418.25. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Weems absent.

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners recessed at 9:15 A.M. and the Lincoln County Board of Equalization convened.

Chairman Hewgley announced the Open Meeting Act with amendments is posted for public review and the county board will comply with the open meeting requirements.

Deputy County Assessor, Pat Collins appeared along with Deputy County Treasurer, Sheri Newton.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Bruns to approve the minutes regarding the Lincoln County Board of Equalization meeting held on January 16, 2024. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Weems absent.

Motion by Wuehler, seconded by Woodruff to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the certificates of correction or refund submitted by the County Assessor on personal property. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Nays, none. Weems absent.

Motion by Wuehler, seconded by Woodruff to approve the motor vehicle tax exemption application by North Platte Opportunity Corp. as recommended for approval by the County Treasurer. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Nays, none. Weems absent.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to approve the motor vehicle tax exemption application by American National Red Cross as recommended for approval by the County Treasurer. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Nays, none. Weems absent.

The Lincoln County Board of Equalization adjourned at 9:21 A.M. and the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners reconvened.

Rebecca J. Rossell, Lincoln County Clerk, presented the information received on the request for audit proposals for Lincoln County audits ending June 30, 2024, 2025 and 2026. Two audit proposals were submitted by Dana F. Cole & Company, LLP and Regier Carr & Monroe, LLP, CPA's.

Dana F. Cole	2024	2025	2026
Audit	\$32,000	\$36,500	\$40,000
Out of Pocket Expenses	\$5,600	\$2,800	\$5,600
Single audit	\$6000	First Major Program	\$3000 Each additional program

Regier Carr & Monroe	2024	2025	2026
Audit	\$24,500	\$25,500	\$26,000
Single Audit	\$11,000	\$9,500	\$9,000

County Board requested additional information on the RCM proposal. This item was tabled.

The following informal quotes were received for motor grader blades for Lincoln County Department of Roads: NMC - \$31,419.08; Murphy Tractor - \$39,000 & Titan Machinery - \$41,169.40.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to accept the informal bid on grader blades for Lincoln County Department of Roads from NMC for \$31,419.08 as recommended by the Highway Supt. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Nays, none. Weems absent.

Commissioners Bruns & Wuehler along with Deputy County Attorney, Tyler Volkmer will be attending the 2024 Annual Nebraska Planning Conference in Kearney in March 2024.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Wuehler to go into closed session at 10:18 A.M. to discuss strategy with respect to imminent litigation. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Weems absent.

Chairman Hewgley restated the motion for the closed session.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Bruns to go into open session at 11:09 A.M. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Weems absent.

Hear concerns from Elected Officials, Department Heads, or their representative.

Lincoln County Commissioners Committee Reports.

Approved the following claims as presented for payment. Motion carried.

FUND	NAME		AMOUNT
GEN- ERAL	A T & T MOBILITY	se	496.4
	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	rep	170.7
	AXON ENTERPRISE INC	su	680.8
	BERREKMAN & BAZATA	se	1600
	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	se	388.89
	CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	lease	588.33
	CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	contr	530.69
	CDW GOVERNMENT INC	su	364.9
	CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT CO	ex	168.45
	DAS CENTRAL FINANCE	contr	1273.06
	DAWSON PUBLIC POWER	se	604.16
	EAKES OFFICE SOLUTION	su	153
	ECCA	se	50
	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATION INC	se	275.41
	HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES/FIN RESPONS	fee	186
	HEATHER SMITH	fee	46
	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY	se	222.49
	KNOBELS REFRIGERATION INC	se	717.08
	LOWMAN'S AUTO REPAIR	rep	71.25
	MENARDS	su	544.64
	MENTZER OIL CO	se	12.8
	MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS INC	se	470
	MIDWEST CONNECT	su	54

	MUNICIPAL LIGHT & WATER	se	258.92
	NEBRASKA DISTRICT COURT CLK ASSO	dues	50
	NESBITT AND ASSOCIATES INC	se	32492.23
	NEBRASKA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	se	465
	NORTH PLATTE TELEGRAPH	rnw	628.99
	NORTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE	se	282.62
	OFFICE SERVICES, INC	su	97.16
	PITNEY BOWES BANK INC	se	30000
	PRO PRINTING	su	367.15
	PSAN	cnfrn	200
	SANDHILLS RC & D	dues	100
	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS	su	50.97
	STEVEN E ELM SHAEUSER	se	650
	TERRY L HEESSEL	se	472.5
	THE HOME DEPOT PRO	su	1562.95
	THYSSENKRUPP ELEVATOR CORP	se	592.36
	U S BANK	su	21.01
	U S BANK	su	132.18
	U S BANK	su	211.23
	UNITECH	su	267.5
	VERIZON	su	118.08
ROADS	A T & T	se	206.09
	BOMGAARS	su	111.7
	CAR QUEST OF NORTH PLATTE	re/su	340.5
	COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE	fuel	43.1
	CROELL INC	ex	1815.22
	EQUIPMENT BLADES	eq	3933.85
	FASTENAL COMPANY	su	114.32
	GUYNAN MACHINE & STEEL	lbr/eq	467.69
	HOME LUMBER & SUPPLY	su	31.26
	INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO	rep	108.84
	KOHLER TRAILER SALES & SERVICE	rep	91.8
	MILLER REPAIR LLC	ex	144160
	MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT	rep	7320.19
	NE TRUCK CENTER, INC	rep	888.56
	NMC EXCHANGE LLC	rep	5006.07
	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	rep	52.51
	RS HYDRAULIC SOLUTIONS	rep	144.64
	SCOTTYS INTEGRATED ENTERPRISES LLC	su	12
	SUTHERLAND FARM & AUTO SUPPLY	su/rep	321.34
	TITAN MACHINERY	rep/lbr	9036.51
	LINCOLN COUNTY TREASURER		537.15

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 A.M.

Advance notice and the agenda for the January 22, 2024, board meetings were sent to the county board and all others requesting the same. Advance public notice (includes agenda) of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners meeting and the Lincoln County Board of Equalization meeting was posted at the Lincoln County Courthouse, City Hall, and the Lincoln County website on January 19, 2024; and was also emailed to the media on January 19, 2024.

The agenda for the meetings to be held on Monday, January 29, 2024, will be kept continually current and open for inspection at the office of the Lincoln County Clerk. The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will be at the Lincoln County Courthouse in the Commissioners Room at 9:00 A.M. The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Equalization will be at the Lincoln County Courthouse in the Commissioners Room at 9:15 A.M.

Rebecca J. Rossell  
Lincoln County Clerk