

February 20, 2024
North Platte, Nebraska

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

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 the minutes regarding the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners meeting held on February 12, 2024. Upon roll call vote Weems, Wuehler, and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Bruns and Hewgley abstained.

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

Motion by Wuehler, seconded by Woodruff to approve the reappointment of Melissa Wilson and Booker Boyer as management representatives to the Lincoln County Safety Committee for a three-year term to end in June 2026. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Weems to approve the reappointment of Angie Forbes as employee representative to the Lincoln County Safety Committee for a two-year term to end in June 2025. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

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.

County Assessor, Julie Stenger appeared as well as County Treasurer, Alex Gurciullo.

Motion by Weems, seconded by Wuehler to approve the minutes regarding the Lincoln County Board of Equalization meeting held on February 12, 2024. Upon roll call vote Weems, Wuehler, and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Bruns and Hewgley abstained.

No certificates of correction or refund submitted by the County Assessor.

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

Motion by Wuehler, seconded by Bruns to approve the motor vehicle tax exemption application submitted by Riverside Baptist Church as recommended for approval by the County Treasurer. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Bruns to deny the waiver due to lack of good cause for late filing of permissive exemption application (Form 451) on property located at 801 William Ave submitted by North Platte, Nebraska Hospital Corporation. Upon roll call vote Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Hewgley voted "nay". Motion carried.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to deny the waiver due to lack of good cause for late filing of permissive exemption application (Form 451) on property located at 220 West Leota submitted by North Platte, Nebraska Hospital Corporation. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

The Lincoln County Board of Equalization adjourned at 9:33 A.M. and the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners reconvened.

Discussion was held on the County Court & District Court Courtroom Technology Upgrade Project. Annette Shafer appeared for County Court. Crystal Schliep along with District Court Judges Piccolo and Volkmer appeared for District Court. Dave Pate for the I.T. Department and Booker Boyer for the Building and Grounds Department were also present.

Shafer explained that the State Supreme Court will pick up the cost of the project with the exception of some outlets, wiring and cords that would have to be done by the county.

Commissioner Bruns asked the rationale for standardization across the state and what happens to the existing equipment.

Shafer explained that the Judges could appear from their home court. Also, for ease of repairs and I.T. issues. The first five years is under warranty. After five years the responsibility would shift to the county. Some of the existing equipment will be used such as speakers and audio.

Dave Pate informed the board that this update will make it more compatible with Zoom. Some new cabling has already been completed.

The County Board members expressed concern about future repairs and replacement after the initial five years.

Commissioner Weems asked Pate his view on our current technology.

Pate replied that the current technology is old. There is a movement towards Zoom arraignments and court appearances. Some of the equipment could be re-purposed such as the TV's and microphone system.

District Court Judge Volkmer stated that utilizing Zoom with this process would allow the general public to access it in the future.

Commissioner Woodruff questioned if this would decrease transportation costs.

Judge Volkmer responded that this would decrease travel for Judges and inmates as well as witnesses.

Boyer commented that he had received a quote for the electrical portion for County Court but had not received a quote yet for District Court.

Motion by Weems, seconded by Wuehler to approve and accept the memorandum of understanding of Nebraska Courtroom Technology Transfer of Ownership and authorize the Chairman to sign. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Discussion was held on the revised Lincoln County Employees Manual. Deputy County Attorney Volker asked for input from the County Board and highlighted changes he made to the current draft. Item was tabled for a future meeting. Revised draft will be sent out to all county officials for review.

Discuss and consider amended TextMyGov proposal. County Clerk Rossell reported that we need to purchase additional text messages. Her concern is that this proposal is a three- year agreement. The current agreement is a two-year agreement. It would save the county \$300 for the same amount of additional text messages but would extend the agreement by one year. Implementation of the interactive keywords is still in progress. The notification portion of the system has worked well. She recommends that the county purchase ala carte additional text messages rather than adding an additional year to the agreement at this time. Board requested an estimate of additional texts that would be required and review by legal counsel. Items was tabled for a future meeting.

Discussion was held on the corporate manager application of Ryan J. Shaw submitted by Fast Stop 1155 Inc. to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission. County Board directed questions concerning the application to Mr. Shaw. Mr. Shaw responded to questions asked concerning the information contained in the application concerning prior work experience and prior behavior.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to make no local recommendation to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission on the corporate manager application submitted by Fast Stop 1155 Inc. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

County Highway Supt., Jason Schultz, reported that this is a no cost change order and recommends that changing the base from a clay surfacing course to an asphalt milling/crushed base would be in the best interest of the county.

Motion by Wuehler, seconded by Woodruff to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Change Order No. 1 for the Sutherland North Bridge Project. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

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.

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NAME		AMOUNT
A T & T MOBILITY	contr	2863.19
ALL SAFE INDUSTRIES INC	eq	7711.19
LINDEMEIER LAW OFFICE	se	1000
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	su	545.23
BOB BARKER COMPANY	su	273.96
BONITA EDWARDS	mi	139.36
BROTHERS LAZER SERVICES	eq	6083.73
BROWNS SHOE FIT	ex	382.5
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	se	803.29
CDW GOVERNMENT INC	eq	9956.84
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	se	656
CENTURY LINK	se	351.9
SPECTRUM	se	155.2
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT CO	se	109.95
CULLIGAN	se	45.36
DAS CENTRAL FINANCE	se	813.06
DLT SOLUTIONS	eq	1932.3
DXP ENTERPRISES, INC	eq	771.7
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	su	5342.6
ECCA	se	52.5
ELLETT'S AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE	se	3099.3
FAIR LAW OFFICE PC LLO	se	2856.25
FELLOWS HOME APPLIANCE	se	118
GALLS AN ARAMARK COMPANY	eq	203.71

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES/FIN RESPONS	se	186
HINTON'S LOCK & ALARM	se	60.9
HOLIDAY INN	ldg	344.85
IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY	su	222.49
JUSTICE WORKS LLC	su	200
JUSTIN GOSNELL	mi	12.21
KELLY SUPPLY COMPANY	se	155.87
LINDEMEIER LAW OFFICE	se	285.42
LINDEMEIER LAW OFFICE	se	1687.5
LYNN FREDERICK	mi	10.05
MALCOM, NELSEN & WINDRUM	se	3906.3
MASA GLOBAL	ins	1950
MELISSA SPADING	reb	353.4
MENARDS	su	940.4
MUNICIPAL LIGHT & WATER	se	822.64
NACO	dues	150
NATALIE HOFFMANN	se	300
NE AG-NEWS	se	119
NE ASSO OF COUNTY ASSESSOR 22	dues	75
NE ASSOC OF CO CLKS REG DEEDS	dues	50
NEBRASKA WEED CONTROL ASSOCIATION	trng	150
NEBRASKA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	se	465
NORTH PLATTE FIRE DEPARTMENT	se	100
NORTH PLATTE FIRE DEPARTMENT	eq	9500
NORTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE	se	433.23
NORTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE	se	4657.55
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	se	54.04
PEDERSON LAW OFFICE	se	4125
QUADIENT LEASING USA INC DEPT 6813	se	847.2
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY LLC	eq	23404
SCHABEN SANITATION	se	219
SHERIFFS PETTY CASH FUND	reb	22.88
SHRED IT USA	se	98.62
SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE	contr	5940.36
THE WALDINGER CORPERATION	se	1651.36
TK'S WELDING & FABRICATION	se	962.44
TOM GANN	mi	849.14
TONY JOHNSON	mi	50.92
U S BANK	su	337.29
U S BANK	su	901.7
U S BANK	su	670.75
U S BANK	su	124.49
U S BANK	su	586.03

	U S POSTMASTER	se	400
	UNITED LABORATORIES	su	275.05
	VICTORIA STEFFEN	se	3789.78
ROADS	A T & T	se	2.06
	AKRS EQUIPMENT	se	279.93
	BOBCAT OF OMAHA	se	382.33
	BOMGAARS	su	402.34
	CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	su	142.14
	CAR QUEST OF NORTH PLATTE	se	783.54
	CONSTRUCTION RENTAL NORTH PLATTE	su	50
	CROELL INC	su	3561.8
	INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO	se	760.1
	KOHLER TRAILER SALES & SERVICE	se	12.95
	MASA GLOBAL	ins	500
	MENARDS	se	569.29
	MIDWEST ELECTRIC MEMB CORP	se	418.54
	MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT	se	602.11
	NE TRUCK CENTER INC	se	1454.12
	NMC EXCHANGE LLC	se	496.53
	NORTH PLATTE HARDWARE LLC	se	46.38
	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	se	15.03
	PAULS PORTA POTTY	su	305
	PAULSENS INC	su	9860.8
	RDO TRUCK CENTER CO.	se	225.5
	SCHABEN SANITATION	se	238.95
	SNAP ON TOOLS	su	93
	WPCI	su	108
SPCL	KEA CONSTRUCTION LLC	se	252800.6
SELF	FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP LLC	ins	984.8

The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 A.M.

Advance notice and the agenda for the February 20, 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 February 16, 2024; and was also emailed to the media on February 16, 2024.

The agenda for the meetings to be held on Monday, February 26, 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