

Deuel County Commissioner Meeting

May 16, 2023

The Deuel County Commissioners met on the above date with the following officials present: Chairperson Steve Fischer, Commissioner William Klingman, Commissioner Jean Timm, County Attorney Jon Stellar, USDA Field Rep. Jeremy Kahl, County Assessor Michele Bartlett, County Treasurer Alicia Adams, Hwy Supt. Anthony Armer, Roads Supt. Kelly Kopetzky, Sheriff's office administrator Leslie Snell, Clerk Tammy Sherman. The meeting, notice of which was published in the Chappell Register according to law, was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence. Reference was made to open meeting laws, posted at the entrance of the room. The agenda was approved upon motion of Commissioner Fischer, second of Commissioner Klingman; Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye. The minutes of the May 2, 2023, meeting was approved upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm; Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Public comment. For the Deuel County Fair Board, Leslie Snell advised NextEra Energy will be making a \$3,800 donation toward the BBQ. Assessor Michele Bartlett advised Drew from Bytes, Inc. will be recycling the old computers on May 28th. She will assist in the process.

Upon motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm, the board entered the Board of Equalization for tax list corrections at 8:35 a.m. Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

Jeremy Kahl, USDA Field Representative presented the July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024, agreement no. 22-73-31-2090RA for the Wildlife Damage Management program. The USDA helps control beavers, red fox, coyotes, prairie dogs and other wild animals in the county. A motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm to approve the agreement as presented. Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye. A brief discussion was held concerning the control of prairie dogs in the county. Stellar stated he may have some resources to help.

Chad Svoboda with Svoboda Benefit Solutions, Inc. provided an updated health insurance proposal for the 2023-2024 term. The proposal is comparable to the current plan. The proposal is a substantial cost savings compared to the current health coverage with Blue Cross Blue Shield. A motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm to accept the quote from Blue Cross Blue Shield Direct for an annual saving of \$39,645.36 as presented by Svoboda. Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Hwy Supt. Armer presented Interlocal Cooperation Agreement and Resolution between Sedgwick County, CO and Deuel County, NE for road and bridge work on the state line roads. The agreement specifically notes the duties of each county and the miles of roads involved. A motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Fischer to approve the agreement as presented. Timm, aye, Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye.

Resolution 2023-07: Deuel County Budget Document; Resolution Authorizing the County Treasurer to transfer funds whereas, the Deuel County Commissioners have the authority to request the Officials of the County to perform statutory duties, also whereas, the Deuel County Commissioners have the power to establish a budget to be used by the various Officials/offices to conduct County business. Within this budget, the transfer is adopted to avoid a potential shortfall in the Emergency Management 911 account. Therefore, the Deuel County Commissioners authorize County Treasurer Alicia Adams to make a transfer from the County General Fund to the 911 Fund not to exceed the amount of \$8,500.00 to avoid a potential shortfall in the account due to unexpected cost increases for emergency management. Motion by Commissioner Timm, seconded by Commissioner Klingman to approve resolution 2023-07 as presented. Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Resolution 2023-08: Deuel County to support the Call to Action; Therefore, let it be resolved that we serving as our Nebraska Panhandle county's County Commissioners, do hereby sign on to the Call to Action to reduce the number of people with mental illness in our county jail, commit to sharing lessons learned with other counties in the Panhandle of Nebraska, the State of Nebraska and across the country to support a national initiative and encourage all county officials, employees and residents to participate in Stepping Up. We resolve to utilize the comprehensive resources available through Stepping Up. Motion by Commissioner Fischer, seconded by Commissioner Timm, to approve the resolution as presented. Klingman, aye, Timm, aye, Fischer, aye.

Superintendent Anthony Armer addressed the board regarding the operations in the highway department. The recent rains will help the condition of the roads. They will be out grading the roads. One of the graders is having injector problems. They are waiting for the parts to come in. The department is building a new box scraper. Armer presented projected wage increases for the department. On June 1st, a traffic control stop light will be put in place while the driveway is constructed and the culvert is put in place at the Maverick location near Big Springs. The light will be in place for six to eight weeks.

The Deuel County Sheriff's office fee report for April was presented and reviewed for filing. The fees total \$374.50.

Snell reported for the Sheriff's department. The interlocal agreement with Chappell was approved. The Big Springs interlocal agreement is on the Village agenda for their meeting on May 16th.

A motion by Commissioner Fischer, seconded by Commissioner Timm at 9:15 a.m. to go into executive session for a personnel issue with the following persons present Commissioner Timm, Commissioner Fischer, Commissioner Klingman

and County Attorney Stellar. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye. A motion by Commissioner Fischer, seconded by Commissioner Klingman to adjourn the executive session at 9:50 a.m. Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Warrants in the amount of \$138,814.54 were approved upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm, (Payroll \$30,502.52 Claims \$108,312.02), Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

GENERAL

PAYROLL		19481.04
AT&T	TELEPHONE	48.21
AT&T MOBILITY	TELEPHONE	321.00
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	677.67
BYTES MANAGED IT	SERVICES	3419.00
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	321.83
CHAPPELL LUMBER	SUPPLIES	20.99
CHAPPELL REGISTER	PUBLICATIONS	243.18
CHAPPELL SUPER FOODS	SUPPLIES	11.48
CHEYENNE CO SHERIFF	BOARDING	6450.00
DAS MATERIAL INTER	SERVICES	154.00
DEUEL CO ATTORNEY	REIMB POSTAGE	28.60
DEUEL CO CLERK	FEES	5.00
DEUEL CO DIST COURT	FEES	108.00
DEUEL CO COUNTY COURT	FEES	339.00
DP ELECTRONICS	SERVICES	169.99
EAKES	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1102.44
ENCORE FUNDING LLLC	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	181.01
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	100.00
GARDEN CO SHERIFF	BOARDING	1550.00
GOTO COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	484.12
HAMILTON TELECOMM	TELEPHONE	29.00
HANSENS PETEROLEUM	FUEL	1784.48
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER	544.65
IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY	SERVICES	69.74
JIM REICHMAN	CELL PHONE	50.00
JONATHON STELLAR	TRNG/MILEAGE/LODGE	880.94
LAURA NARJES	MILEAGE	273.79
MICHELE BARTLETT	TRNG/MILEAGE	259.63
MIPS	SERVICES	1489.83
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	RADIO EQUIP	74.00
NACO	DUES	1068.31
NE DEPT OF REVENUE	TRAINING CLASS	290.00
OPTK NETWORKS	INTERNET	300.00
PANHANDLE ASSESSORS	TRAINING CLASS	113.80
PRITCHARD & ABBOTT, INC.	SERVICES	5080.00
ROBERT HARVOY	COURT ATTNY	170.00
RON'S CHAPPELL AUTO	REPAIRS	350.87
SCOTTSBLUFF DETENTION	BOARDING	5700.00
STEVEN ELM SHAEUSER	COURT ATTNY	2860.00
T.T.L. - STATE	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	728.84
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1215.28
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	COUNTY SHARE	2791.44
TRANSUNION	SERVICES	75.00
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1924.47
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	COUNTY SHARE	3021.27
T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1625.86
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	320.08
VISION SERVICE PLAN	INSURANCE	42.41
	ROAD & BRIDGE	
PAYROLL		11021.48
ANTHONY ARMER	CELL PHONE	50.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	56.15
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	526.50
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	160.24

CHAPPELL LUMBER	SUPPLIES	55.21
CHAPPELL SUPER FOODS	SUPPLIES	46.38
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	166.66
FRENCHMAN VALLEY COOP	FUEL	32170.71
HANSENS PETROLEUM	FUEL	6855.12
KELLY KOPETZKY	CELL PHONE	50.00
NPPD	UTILITIES	76.93
POWERPLAN	REPAIRS	727.30
PREMIER AUTO PARTS	REPAIRS	206.96
S&W SUPPLY	REPAIRS	71.99
SIMON	ROAD SUPPLIES	11362.72
T.T.L. - STATE	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	472.55
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	675.04
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1096.80
T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1041.52
	911 FUND	
CCECC 911 EMERGENCY	APRIL	3224.24
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	305.62
NPPD	UTILITIES	44.17
TOTAL		\$ 138,814.54

There being no further business, the board adjourned at 10:00 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, June 6, 2023, upon motion of Commissioner Timm, second of Commissioner Fischer; Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Attest: _____

Clerk, Tammy Sherman

May 16, 2023
Board of Equalization

The Deuel County Board of Commissioners met on the above date at 8:35 a.m. with the following officials present; Commissioner Fischer, Commissioner Klingman, Commissioner Timm, County Attorney Jon Stellar, County Assessor Michele Bartlett and Clerk Tammy Sherman.

Assessor Bartlett presented the following tax list corrections:

Tax List correction #881 parcel ID# 0001203.05 RE – State Audit 2020 Homestead 100% changed to 80%.

Motion by Commissioner Timm, seconded by Commissioner Klingman to approve tax list corrections #881 as presented. Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

There being no further business for the Board of Equalization, the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners reconvened at 8:38 a.m. upon motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye.

Attest: _____

Tammy Sherman, Clerk