

Bassett, Nebraska  
October 11, 2022

The Rock County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. as advertised. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stout at 9:00 a.m. Roll call was taken. Present were Stout & Hollenbeck. Also present were Colby Sybrant & Faye Smith, Commissioner candidates & D. Buoy, Clerk.

The agenda for the day was reviewed. Motion by Stout and seconded by Hollenbeck to approve the agenda as posted in the Clerk's office. Roll Call Vote: Hollenbeck – Yes Stout – Yes May Absent. Motion carried.

Stout stated the Open Meeting Law is posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room.

Certifying Levies will be tabled until the October 18, 2022 meeting. D. Buoy, Clerk reported that there is an issue with setting levies. There has been a mistake on one of the political subdivisions and she is waiting until she receives the amended budget. Levies will be approved at the October 18 2022 regular commissioners meeting.

Commissioners participated in County Government day with the Junior Class.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned 11:59 am. The next meeting will be held October 18, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

S/Jim L. Stout, Chairman of the Board

Attest: S/Daunitta J. Buoy, County Clerk

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The Rock County Board of Commissioners met at 7:00 a.m. at the county road shop as advertised. Present were Commissioners Stout & May. Absent – Hollenbeck. Road employees present were: D. Olson, Road Foreman, J. Kinney, M. Turpin, J. Reynolds, W. Reynolds & T. Stahl. Road matters were discussed. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

The Rock County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. as advertised. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stout at 9:00 a.m. Roll call was taken. Present were Stout, May & Hollenbeck. Also present was Faye Smith, Commissioner candidate, D. Olson, Road Foreman & D. Buoy, County Clerk.

The minutes of the October 4, 2022 regular meeting were presented. Motion by May and seconded by Hollenbeck to approve the October 4, 2022 minutes. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against. Motion carried.

The agenda for the day was reviewed. Motion by Hollenbeck and seconded by May to approve the agenda as posted in the Clerk's office. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against. Motion carried.

Stout stated the Open Meeting Law is posted on the wall in the Commissioners room.

D. Olson, Road Foreman met with the Commissioners on road updates. Engine repairs were discussed on the 1997 Mack Truck. Motion by Stout and seconded by May to approve purchasing a used replacement engine from Jeffres Sand & Gravel. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against. Motion carried. There are 2 unfinished FEMA culvert projects from the 2019 floods. Motion by May and seconded by Hollenbeck to approve advertising for bids for the culvert projects. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against. Motion carried. Bridge Repairs were discussed on #13305 Bridge South of Newport & the bridge South of Alex Shook's. Motion by Hollenbeck and seconded by Stout to approve having both bridges inspected. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against. Motion carried. Tires are going up considerably in January. Pre-purchasing tires was discussed. Commissioners agreed that Olson should purchase a full set of maintainer tires to have on hand.

D. Buoy, Clerk informed the Commissioners that she has been named in a lawsuit - Rick Hill vs. Election Systems & Software. Every Election Official in the State of Nebraska, Governor Pete Ricketts, Secretary of State Bob Evnen, Attorney General Doug Peterson & Speaker of the NE Legislature Mike Hilgers have been named as Defendants. Buoy gave a copy to County Attorney Gurnsey & A. Grant, NIRMA Representative.

Closing Funds related to Emergency Management was discussed. Motion by Stout and seconded by May to approve Resolution 2022-17 – Closure of KBRC 911 Fund 2910; Emergency Management Fund 2915 & Emergency Management Capital Fund 2916. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against. Motion carried.

May left the meeting at 10:15 a.m. to attend a road conference in Rapid City SD.

A. Beard, Veteran Service Officer met with the Commissioners to discuss supervised counseling programs. There is a counselor from Newport that would like to offer free services to Veterans and their families for any counseling needed, Austin will check will City Council & see if the meeting room would be available. It has

easier access than the Courthouse. There also will be green lights exhibited from November 7 – 11 to show support for Veterans throughout the United States at residences, businesses & county buildings.

Sandhills Glass contacted the Clerk & County Attorney on the adjusted invoice received. Commissioners originally denied the adjusted claim. After visiting with County Attorney Gurnsey, Motion was made by Stout and seconded by Hollenbeck to approve the second invoice of \$434.00. Roll Call Vote: Stout – Yes Hollenbeck – Yes May - Absent. Motion carried.

A. Grant gave an update on the Energized Approach NIRMA Pilot Program. to the Commissioners. It will include elected officials, an employee from the Sheriff’s office, Road Department, Library & Clerk, Assessor or Treasurer’s office.

S. Knox, Hospital Administrator met with the Commissioners on Hospital Licensure Renewal. Motion by Hollenbeck and seconded by Stout to approve the Hospital Licensure renewal application. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against. Motion carried.

Advertising for a County Attorney was discussed. The Commissioners would like to have one appointed by January 1, 2023. Matter tabled until after the Write-in deadline for the General Election.

D. Buoy, Clerk presented the Commissioners with the 22/23 Levies. Motion by Stout and seconded by Hollenbeck to certify the following levies per \$100.00 of valuation: General - .305300 with a tax request of \$2,024,706.86; Library - .017399 with a tax request of \$115,385.47; Road Bond - .023860 for a tax asking of \$158,236.81; Hospital Maintenance - .046141 with a tax request of \$306,000.00; Hospital Bond - .018434 with a tax request of \$122,253.08; Ambulance Replacement - .010000 with a tax request of \$66,318.51 for a total levy of .421134 with a total tax request of \$2,792,900.73. Airport - .001224 with a tax request of \$8120.00; Ag Society - .004524 with a tax request of \$30,000.00; Rock County Rural Fire Dist. - .014000 with a total tax request of \$58,829.97; Newport Rural Fire Dist. - .020000 with a tax request of \$31,215.91; Gracy Rural Fire Dist. - .020000 with a tax request of \$11,741.50; City of Bassett - .499995 with a tax request \$129,032.55; Village of Newport – General - .449991 with a tax request of \$10,696.91 – Sinking - .288919 for a tax request of \$6868.00 for a total levy of .738910; Rock County Public Schools – General - .548294 for a tax request of \$3,615,184.62 – Special Building Fund - .020106 with a tax request of \$132,569.20 for a total levy of - .568400. Roll Call Vote: Hollenbeck – Yes Stout – Yes May - Absent Motion carried.

The following claims were audited:

|                        | <u>GENERAL</u>        |          |
|------------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| Employees              | Salaries              | 29405.77 |
| Employees              | Medical Reimbursement | 16477.05 |
| J. Anderson            | Mileage/Postage       | 188.16   |
| Appera                 | Towel Service         | 53.09    |
| BC/BS                  | Insurance Premium     | 3295.41  |
| Black Hills Energy     | Sr Ctr Support        | 151.34   |
| CashWa                 | Sr Ctr Support        | 1200.00  |
| RC Clerk               | DD Fee                | 20.00    |
| Consolidated Mgmt.     | Training Meals        | 214.25   |
| CVA                    | Fuel                  | 458.67   |
| ES&S                   | Layout/Coding         | 1672.85  |
| First Concord          | Admin Fee             | 10.00    |
| Hampton Inn            | Lodging               | 359.85   |
| Krotters               | Blower/Supplies       | 348.23   |
| Leader                 | Subscription/Notices  | 968.94   |
| G. May                 | Mileage/Meals         | 373.23   |
| Microfilm Imaging      | Equipment Rent        | 158.50   |
| NPPD                   | Sr Ctr Support        | 654.70   |
| Office Products        | Paper                 | 253.15   |
| Region IV              | Qtrly Share           | 614.25   |
| Ameritas               | Matched Retirement    | 1966.95  |
| IRS                    | Matched SS            | 3372.66  |
| Turp’s                 | Batteries             | 30.96    |
| US Bank                | Supplies/Lodging      | 1246.76  |
| D. White               | Mileage               | 367.50   |
|                        | <u>ROAD</u>           |          |
| Road Crew              | Labor                 | 11664.35 |
| Road Crew              | Medical Reimbursement | 4393.88  |
| Appera                 | Towel Service         | 34.99    |
| B’s                    | Blades                | 1012.00  |
| BC/BS                  | Ins. Premium          | 2196.94  |
| Community Truck Scales | Scale Use             | 77.00    |
| CVA                    | Fuel                  | 15747.21 |
| Jeffres                | Gravel                | 7201.14  |
| Krotters               | Supplies              | 7.19     |

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| Leader              | Notices                                    | 45.90    |
| Leon's              | Keyless Entry                              | 249.99   |
| Medical Enterprises | Drug Test                                  | 32.00    |
| D. Olson            | Postage                                    | 3.65     |
| Ameritas            | Matched Retirement                         | 787.34   |
| RC Tire             | Tires/Repairs                              | 1623.95  |
| Sandhill Equipment  | 8970 Tractor Rep                           | 555.44   |
| IRS                 | Matched Social Security                    | 1191.05  |
| Turp's              | Supplies                                   | 492.10   |
|                     | <b><u>LIBRARY</u></b>                      |          |
| Employees           | Salaries                                   | 2348.40  |
| Employees           | Medical Reimbursement                      | 2196.94  |
| Ameritas            | Matched Retirement                         | 144.23   |
| IRS                 | Matched SS                                 | 331.25   |
| US Bank             | Books/Registration                         | 246.78   |
|                     | <b><u>LIBRARY CAPITAL</u></b>              |          |
| Hallock Const.      | Library Renovation                         | 28000.00 |
|                     | <b><u>E911/911 EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT</u></b> |          |
| GeoComm             | E911                                       | 320.83   |
|                     | <b><u>CAPITAL PROJECTS</u></b>             |          |
| Cornerstone Mapping | Aerial Photos                              | 18592.00 |
| Stec Lawn Care      | Sprinkler Upgrades                         | 2240.70  |

There being no further business, meeting adjourned 11:20 am. The next regular meeting will be held November 1, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

S/Jim L. Stout, Chairman of the Board

Attest: S/Daunitta J. Buoy, County Clerk

