

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

Hollenbeck stated the Open Meeting Law is posted on the wall in the Commissioner’s room.

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

The September 17,2024 regular meeting minutes were presented. Motion by Sybrant and seconded by Smith to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against Motion carried.

L. Smith, Highway Superintendent discussed Eagle Ridge Ave. with the Commissioners. Smith will check & see if we receive funding for that road. The Road Crew will be going back to 4/10 hour days starting October 1st. The Belmont culvert was discussed. The Army Corp. of Engineers has been contacted & Miller & Associates will give a quote to the County for drawing up a set of plans to install the oversized culvert, which is in the Niobrara Corridor.

D. Buoy, Clerk presented the 24/25 levies to the Commissioners. Motion by Smith and seconded by Sybrant to certify the following levies per \$100.00 valuation: General – 0.327321 with a tax request of \$2,341,569.05, Library - 0.016622 with a tax request of \$118,907.87, Road Bond - 0.010204 with a tax request of \$72,996.53, Hospital Maintenance - 0.040000 for a tax request of \$286,150.00, Hospital Bond - 0.018663 with a tax request of \$133,511.96 & Ambulance Replacement - 0.010000 with a tax request of \$71,537.50 with a total levy of 0.422810 & a total tax request of \$3,024,672.91. RC Airport - 0.001554 with a tax request of \$11,120.00, RC Ag Society - 0.010484 with a tax request of \$75,000.00, Rock Rural Fire District – 0.020000 with a tax request of \$90,738.48, Newport Rural Fire District - 0.020000 with a tax request of \$32,687.37, Gracy Rural Fire District - 0.020000 with a tax asking of \$12,682.13, City of Bassett - 0.480000 with a tax request of \$155,768.39, Village of Newport - General 0.449998 with a tax request of \$9,174.34 & Sinking - 0.336873 with a tax request of \$6,868.00 for a total levy of 0.786871 & a total tax asking of \$16,042.34. Rock County Public Schools - General 0.461235 with a tax request of \$3,281,474.32, Special Building Fund - 0.063298 with a tax request of \$450,336.08 & QCPUF - 0.028223 for a tax request of \$200,793.62 for a total levy of 0.552756 & total tax asking of \$3,932,604.02. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against. Motion carried.

TJ Ellermeier, Assessor/Zoning Administrator met with the Commissioners to report on the Zoning Board’s Public Hearing held September 30, 2024. The Zoning Boards recommendation was to not approve the application from AK Investments for the Hog Barns. The Commissioners will schedule a Public as soon as they receive a date that is workable from the County Attorney.

Wade Hollenbeck, County Board Member of the Niobrara Council will be attending a meeting with the Niobrara National Scenic River Regional Director & Deputy State Park Manager October 2nd, 2024, for a tour of the important resources provided by the Niobrara River for people to enjoy.

The following claims were audited:

	<u>GENERAL</u>	
Employees	Salaries	32317.18
Kurt Arganbright	Contract Labor	5195.83
Black Hills Energy	Natural Gas	86.68
NE State Fire Marshall	Boiler Inspection	72.00
Bomgaars	Keys	11.46
Colonial Life Ins.	Employer Share Life Ins.	4.00
DAS OCIO	Data Process	213.75
M. Davis	Mileage	168.84
ES&S	Election Cost	1931.42
First Concord	Admin Fee	22.50
L. Friedrich	Mileage	236.51
Krotters	Supplies	38.37
Leader	Publish/Print	1465.10
Leupold Stevens	34 MM Gun	976.50
Loup Basin RC&D	Weed Watch	313.10
MIPS	Data Process	1716.60
NACO	Registration	160.00
Norfolk Lodge	Lodging	214.00
NPPD	Electricity	338.73
Office Products	Supplies/Copy Machine	416.04
C. Painter	Janitor Supplies	25.68
Presto X	Pest Control	79.20
Ameritas	Matched Retirement	2279.09

RC Clinic	Dog Bite	213.00
Rock Creek Fencing	Hydroseeding	399.90
Shaffer Communications	Office Equip.	250.16
Silencer Central	Silencer	909.10
IRS	Matched Social Security	2457.82
Turp’s	Lead Acid Battery	176.99
Valley Co. Sheriff	Service Fees CI24-9	19.40
Verizon	Cells/Hot Spots	481.83

	<u>ROAD</u>	
Road Crew	Labor	13610.34
Colonial Life Ins.	Employer Share Life Ins.	2.00
J & J Materials	Whetstone Crushed Gravel	3124.96
Krotters	Supplies	165.43
Leader	Publish/Print	51.75
Jeff Maloun	Diamond Mower/Brush Cuttter	12000.00
NPPD	Electricity	123.98
Ameritas	Matched Retirement	918.70
RC Tire	12M3 Grader Tire	1855.00
IRS	Matched Social Security	1023.78

	<u>PRESERVATION/MODERNIZATION</u>	
MIPS	ROD Program	233.20

	<u>LIBRARY</u>	
Employees	Salaries	2577.79
Eastwest Books	Books	304.89
G & V	Water	3.99
Ingram Book	Books	391.97
NE Library Comm.	Annual Fee	500.00
NPPD	Electricity	130.73
Office Products	Copier	35.00
Penworthy Co.	Materials	146.75
PrestoX	Pest Control	59.07
Ameritas	Matched Retirement	152.69
IRS	Matched SS	197.20

	<u>LOCAL ASSISTANCE & TRIBAL</u>	
PRO Electric	Mini Splits	33595.21

Motion by Sybrant and seconded by Hollenbeck to approve October 1, 2024 claims. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against Motion carried.

Motion by Smith and seconded by Sybrant to adjourn at 11:49 a.m. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against Motion carried.

S/Wade Hollenbeck, Chairman of the Board

Attest: S/Daunitta J. Buoy, County Clerk

