

**PAWNEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**FEBRUARY 6, 2024**

The Pawnee County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., which was open to the public, on Tuesday, February 6, 2024, in the first-floor meeting room in the Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee City, Nebraska. Notice of such meeting was published in the Thursday, February 1, 2024, issue of the Pawnee Republican. Present were Ron Seitz, Jan Lang and Deputy County Clerk, Rachel King. Lavon Heidemann was absent. Chairman Seitz opened the meeting and announced the open meeting law poster is posted on the east wall of the meeting room. Lang moved and Seitz seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2024 Commissioner meeting. Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (absent). Lang moved and Seitz seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Voting: Lang (yes) Heidemann (absent), Seitz (yes). Lang moved and Seitz seconded to approve the claims as presented. Voting: Heidemann (absent), Seitz (yes), Lang (yes).

The Board reviewed the January month end Clerk, Register of Deeds, Clerk of District Court, year to date Clerk of District Court reports.

After discussion, it was decided they would like to further review the interlocal agreement between City of Pawnee City and Pawnee County regarding kenneling of animals. No action was taken at this time.

At 9:10 There was no public comment.

Nancy Tilton met with the Board to discuss the Sheriff budget and Operation Lifesaver.

Braden Lang and John Samuelson met with the Board to discuss the new patrol vehicle and quotes. After review, the Board chose to approve the bid from Specialty Vehicle Source, Junction City, KS for \$67,330.93 for a 2024 Dodge Durango fully equipped from ARPA funds. Motion to approve made by Lang and seconded by Seitz. Voting Lang (yes), Seitz (yes), Heidemann (absent)

Rachel King met with the Board and was appointed Clerk effective March 2, 2024. Motion to approve made by Lang and seconded by Seitz. Voting: Lang (yes), Heidemann (absent), Seitz (yes).

Megan Buckley, Emergency Manager, met with the Board and gave updates.

Chris Rauner, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Rauner discussed the project list, personnel, equipment, materials/ supplies. After discussion Lang moved and Seitz seconded to approve Resolution 24-11 to set a hearing date of March 5, 2024 at 10 AM for the possible closure of 617 Ave south of 705 Road. Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (absent).

At 10:30 AM the Bid letting for Project C-67(219) was opened.

Chris Rauner, Pawnee County Hwy. Supt. and Brandon from Mainelli Wagner & Associates, Inc. opened the bids

The following bids were received:

Husker Engineering, Burwell, NE, bid bond enclosed, start date of 4/29/2024 and a completion date of 5/29/2024. Grand total: \$179,607.00

Malone Construction, Douglas, NE, bid bond enclosed, start date of 5/30/2024 or when tube is made with a completion date of 35 days after start. Grand total: \$121,496.85

BAB Inc., Adams, NE, bid bond enclosed, start date of 6/10/2024 and a completion of 7/10/2024. Grand total: \$ 151,555.00

Van Dorn Valley Construction LLC, Denton, NE, bid bond enclosed, start date of 3/1/2024 and completion of 4/1/2024 contingent upon the pipe being ready. Grand total: \$197,669.20

Tim Sisco Construction, Sterling, NE, bid bond enclosed, start date of 5/1/2024 or sooner and a completion of 6/3/2024 or sooner. Grand total: \$120,099.74

Vogtscapes, Inc., Bennet, NE, bid bond enclosed, start date of 6/2024 and a completion in 6/2024. Grand total: \$162,660.00

Lang moved and Seitz seconded to approve the bid from Tim Sisco for the amount of \$120,099.74. Voting: Lang (yes), Heidemann (absent), Seitz (yes).

The following claims were reviewed and signed:

NET PAYROLL 43206.35; FWH 4257.80; SWH 1939.25; FICA 4560.41; MICA 822.87; NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT 1450.00; RETIREMENT 6813.44; DELTA DENTAL 357.72; AMERITAS 113.90; AMERICAN HERITAGE 98.97; MADISON LIFE 80.73; UNITED HEALTHCARE 12704.60; DIRECT DEPOSIT FEE 10.00;

**GENERAL FUND:**

Larry Bradbury, mileage 105.00; Capitol Business Systems, Extension copier lease 170.00; Constellation, courthouse heating 337.75; Department of Correction, inmate lodging 2078.05; Donahue & Sisco, February rent, utilities and phone 183.33; Eakes, courthouse supplies 255.00; Fankhauser, Nelson, Werts, Ziskey & Merwin, PC, court appointed counsel 4168.00; Elizabeth Ferrebee, court appointed counsel 2460.50; Gage County, bailiff fees 1048.70; Handley Law Office, court appointed counsel 646.00; Johnson County Hospital, inmate medical 274.00; Johnson County Sheriff, inmate lodging 2795.00; MIPS, programs & support 2298.18; Treasure 2023 tax statements 781.82; NACT, Treasurer dues 50.00; NWCA, weed conference registration 150.00; Nemaha County Sheriff, inmate lodging 1600.00; NPPD, courthouse electric 578.33; Page County Sheriff, service fees 32.00; Pawnee County Clerk, postage reimbursement 29.55; Richardson County Sheriff, service fees 57.20; Emily Sisco, postage reimbursement 132.00;

Soarin Group, IT security costs 753.00; TKE, building repair 314.76; US Bank, treasurer dues 40.00; sheriff equipment 657.78; sheriff fuel 174.66; sheriff towing 266.55; Jason Vetrovsky, mileage 89.11;

**ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:**

Eggers Bros, supplies 387.91; Huls Body Shop Inc, repairs 1000.00; Martin Marietta Materials, rock/ gravel 5878.99; Midwest Service & Sales, materials 5920.00; NE Association of County Engineers, Hwy Supt, & Surveyors, 2024 dues 50.00; meeting registration 110.00; NPPD, electric, shop 124.20; barn 86.05; Smith Auto, repairs 50.00; Speers Truck Repair, repairs 110.00; US Bank, fuel 91.00;

**ROD PRESERVATION FUND:**

MIPS, programs & support 171.36;

Chairman Seitz adjourned the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

S/Ron Seitz

S/Jan Lang

Attest: Rachel E. King, Deputy Pawnee County Clerk