PAWNEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

The Pawnee County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., which was open to the public, on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, in the first-floor meeting room in the Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee City, Nebraska. Notice of such meeting was published in the Thursday, August 28, 2024, issue of the Pawnee Republican. Present were Ron Seitz, Jan Lang, Lavon Heidemann, and County Clerk, Rachel King. 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 Heidemann seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2025 Commissioner meeting. Voting: Seitz (abstain), Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes). Lang moved and Heidemann seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Voting: Lang (yes) Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes). Lang moved and Heidemann seconded to approve the claims as presented. Voting: Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Lang (yes).

The Board reviewed the August month end reports for Clerk, Register of Deeds, District Court and Treasurer as well as the 6-month accumulated report.

The Board reviewed the 2025/2026 budget, the Budget Hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, September 24, 2025 at 9AM.

The proposal submitted by Eakes was discussed by the Board. No action taken at this time.

At 9:10 There was no public comment. No public was present.

John Werner, Pawnee City Hospital, met with the Board to discuss hospital board members. Lang moved and Heidemann seconded to re-appoint Jackie Hippen and appoint Katie Kriefels to the Pawnee City Hospital Board. Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes).

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

Chris Rauner, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Rauner discussed the rock report, project list, personnel, equipment, materials/ supplies.

The following claims were reviewed and signed:

NET PAYROLL 44199.77; FWH 4669.34; SWH 2026.40; FICA 7347.24; MICA 1718.24; NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT 370.00; RETIREMENT 6883.27; DELTA DENTAL 319.65; CHILD SUPPORT 213.56; GARNISHMENT 449.37; AMERITAS 126.47; AMERICAN HERITAGE 61.37; MADISON LIFE 82.75; UNITED HEALTHCARE 13709.12; DIRECT DEPOSIT FEE 10.00;

GENERAL FUND:

Black Hills Energy, courthouse heating 59.56; Capital Business Systems, extension equipment 183.00; City of Pawnee City, water/ sewer 123.90; DAS State Accounting- Central Finance, data processing 230.00; Donahue & Sisco, August utilities 12.50, August rent 150.00, August telephone 20.83, September utilities, 12.50, September rent 150.00, September phone 20.83; Eakes Office Supplies, veterans services supplies 224.00; Fairfield Inn & Suites, lodging- Kaster 404.85, lodging – Hatfield 404.85; Fankhauser, Nelson, Werts, Ziskey & Merwin, court appointed counsel 1925.00; Handley Law Office, court appointed counsel 5030.00; Johnson County Clerk, quarterly emergency manager 5012.25; Johnson County Sheriff Office, inmate lodging 4940.00; Stephanie Kaster, meal reimbursement 22.70; Kraviec Maurstad Law, child support enforcement 1504.38; Kyles Service Center, sheriff tire repair 40.00; Lancaster County Sheriff's Office, service fees 18.73; NACO, registration Dec. conference Seitz 160.00, Lang 160.00, Johnson 160.00, King 160.00; Nestor & Mercure, public defender August & September 7500.00; Pawnee Republican, publishing 454.68; Petty Cash Clerk, postage reimbursement 11.00; Region V Systems, mental health systems 1243.55; Richardson County Sheriff, service fees 19.00; Soarin Group, IT Security 1004.00; Nebraska State Fire Marshal, building repair 120.00; Tichy Land Survey, surveyor 850.00, contracted surveys 2110.52; US Bank, ground supplies 28.53, SE district meeting registration- Johnson 40.00, clerk supplies 141.70; Verizon Wireless, sheriff phones 408.38; Jason Vetrovsky, mileage 236.60; Windstream, courthouse telephones 980.60.

ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:

Black Hills Energy, heating 52.36; City of Pawnee City, water/ sewer 86.41; Dens Country Meats, fuel 295.74; Farmers Copp, fuel 3539.29; H & H Auto Parts, repairs 231.73, supplies 66.26, tools 91.99; Heritage Tractor, repairs 42.36; Martin Marietta Materials, rock/ gravel 57987.00; NACO, registration Dec. conference – Rauner, 160.00; Nebraska Labor Law Posters, 2026 posters 99.50; NPPD, electricity 97.89; OPPD, electricity 33.00; Powerplan, repairs 1530.22; Sapp Bros., fuel 5485.54; Pawnee true Value, supplies 34.81; Windstream, telephones 219.35.

OPIOID FUND:

Region V Systems, Opioid recovery 223.76.

K-9 FUND:

Southeast NE Feeds, K-9 costs 31.30.

Chairman Seitz adjourned the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

S/Ron Seitz S/Jan Lang S/Lavon Heidemann

Attest: Rachel E. King,

Pawnee County Clerk