

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

Taylor, Nebraska

8:30 A.M.

April 10, 2024

The Loup County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment this 10th day of April, 2024 at 8:30 A.M. at the Loup County Courthouse in Taylor, Nebraska. Present were Commissioners Larson, Steckel, and Ruppel and County Clerk Copsey, Ashley Eley, Sheriff Spanel, Sam Fales, Lonnie Owen, Darcie Simmons, Jolene Dunbar, Jacob Stern, and Kyle Shepard. County Attorney White and County Engineer Johnson were present later in the morning. Chairman Larson called the meeting to order. Board members acknowledged receipt of the March 13th, 2024 meeting minutes with no corrections or additions to same. Receipt of advance notice and agenda for the April 10th, 2024 meeting was also affirmed by all members present. Chairman Larson referenced the Open Meeting Laws poster located in the meeting room and advised that handouts concerning said laws are available to the public.

Larson moved to audit the claims. 2nd by Steckel. Roll call vote; yes; Larson, Steckel, Ruppel. Nays; none absent; none not voting; none.

GENERAL FUND

SALARIES		\$39,714.74
IN LIEU OF INSURANCE		\$13,308.33
AFLAC	AFLAC	\$398.65
AMERITAS	EMPE RET	\$2,817.12
IRS	EMPE FICA	\$3,972.11
DAVE LARSON HSA ACCOUNT	HSA FLATWATER	\$691.67
APPEARA	RUGS	\$85.11
ASHLEY ELEY	PHONE	\$40.00
BANKCARD PROC. CENTER	SUPPLIES/SUBSCRIPTION	\$786.84
BORDERS LAW OFFICE	COURT COSTS	\$1,655.70
CENTRAL PLAINS VALUATION	REAPPRAISAL	\$5,248.00
COBBLESTONE	LODGING	\$98.00
CORNER STOP	FUEL	\$375.00
CPPD	ELECTRICITY	\$69.30
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	NETWORK SUBSCRIPT	\$150.00
DAVE LARSON	PHONE & MILEAG	\$82.88
DEB STARR	PHONE	\$25.00
DONNA STECKEL	PHONE&MILEAGE	\$42.68
DUNNE-RITE PLUMBING	PLUMBING	\$77.00
EAKES	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$530.97
ES&S	ELECTION SUPPLIES	\$1,235.27

EZ IT	IT SERVICES	\$690.00
HAMILTON	PHONE/INTERNET	\$407.47
ISS	FIRE EXTING TAGS	\$16.00
J&J SANITATION	GARBAGE	\$39.21
JACK RUPPEL	PHONE&MILEAGE	\$50.72
JAMIE COPSEY	PHONE	\$25.00
JASON WHITE-OTHER/PHONE	PHONE	\$40.00
JD KEEFE	PHONE	\$40.00
JESSICA WORM	PHONE	\$25.00
KYLE SHEPARD	PHONE	\$25.00
LAURA KRAUS- EMER MNGR	EMRG MANAGER	\$75.00
MARYJO JONES	PHONE MARCH & APRIL	\$50.00
MICHAEL STARR	SNOW REMOVAL	\$75.00
MICROFILM	MICROFILM	\$52.00
MIPS	PROGRAM	\$1,120.07
NEXTONER	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$116.30
REGION 26	4TH QUARTER ASSESSMENT	\$10,102.12
REGION 3 BHVRL HLTH SERV.	MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	\$395.28
SCHAPER & WHITE	SECRETARY PAY	\$500.00
SUMMER STROHL	PHONE	\$25.00
SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES	1/2 COST OF SPRAYER	\$3,482.50
TAYLOR PUBLIC LIBRARY	LIBRARY	\$1,060.00
USPS	STAMPS	\$756.00
VILLAGE OF TAYLOR	SEWER PAYMENT	\$49.08
ZANE YOUNG	PHONE/MILEAGE/CASH PD OUT	\$345.05
TOTAL GENERAL FUND		\$90,966.17

AMBULANCE FUND

CORNER STOP	FUEL	\$68.14
DEARBORN LIFE INSUR CO.	INSURANCE	\$27.52
HAMILTON	INTERNET	\$65.21
LOUP COUNTY AMBULANCE	SUPPLIES	\$38.84
VALLEY CO AMB SERVICE	VCAS INTERCEPTS	\$150.00
TOTAL AMBULANCE FUND		\$349.71

VISITOR PROMOTION FUND

DARCIA KOVARIK	WEBSITE COSTS	\$346.99
DARCIA KOVARIK PHTGRPHY	MARKETING/ADVERTISING	\$1,500.00
RICHARD BROWN	TAYLOR ARBORETUM DUES	\$130.00
TOTAL VISITOR PROMO FUND		\$1,976.99

VISITOR IMPROVEMENT FUND

TAYLOR AREA BUILDERS	PATRIOTIC BUNTINGS	\$199.80
TOTAL VISITOR IMPROVEMENT FUND		\$199.80

ROAD FUND

SALARIES		\$13,615.75
AMERITAS	EMPE RET	\$919.07
IRS	FEDERAL TAXES	\$1,014.52
CHUCK SHEPARD	PHONE	\$40.00
CORNER STOP	FUEL	\$2,748.06
CPPD	ELECTRICITY	\$103.46
DAVE LARSON	CASH PAID OUT	\$900.00
DUSTIN COPSEY	PHONE	\$40.00
ED SHERBECK	PHONE	\$40.00
GRINT FARM SUPPLY	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$53.90
HAMILTON	INTERNET	\$65.21
J&J SANITATION	GARBAGE	\$20.11
JEFFRES	GRAVEL AND HAULING	\$10,317.24
LONNIE OWEN	PHONE	\$40.00
MIPS	TIME CLOCK	\$57.40
MYERS CONSTRUCTION, INC.	CRUSHED CONCRETE AND HAULING	\$31,826.04
NMC	PARTS/LABOR	\$487.36
OLCOTT WELDING	SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT	\$2,142.37
OPEN GATES- JACOB STERN	PLOWING SNOW	\$1,350.00
SARGENT TIRE	REPAIRS	\$50.00
SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES	1/2 COST OF SPRAYER	\$3,482.50
TOTAL ROAD FUND		\$69,312.99

Steckel moved to allow the claims. 2nd by Larson. Roll call vote; yes; Larson, Steckel, Ruppel. Nays; none absent; none not voting; none.

The Board reviewed the fund balances from treasurer, the Clerk of the District Court monthly fee report, and the Sheriffs Quarterly Report.

Larson moved for the adoption of a resolution transferring monies from the General Fund to the Road Fund. 2nd by Steckel. Roll call vote; yes; Larson, Steckel, Ruppel. Nays; none absent; none not voting; none. Said resolution can be found in Commissioners Record No. 10 Page 420.

Steckel moved to appoint Chuck Shepard to serve the remainder of Roye Lindsay's term expiring 12/24 on the Loup County Visitors Committee. 2nd by Larson. Roll call vote; yes; Larson, Steckel, Ruppel. Nays; none absent; none not voting; none.

Sheriff Spanel met with the board. Ashley Eley, Sheriff Office Manager was present as well. Discussion included National Opioid Settlement funds being used by Sheriff's department for educational purposes or other uses that pertain to their department. Sheriff

Spanel discussed need for more detailed breakdown of spending in the paper to better inform the public, also discussed upcoming expenses for the Sheriff's department and difficulty with retaining law enforcement in surrounding counties. He discussed the addition of fees to some of the services the Sheriff's office provides including accident reports, paper service for civil process, and finger printing. The Sheriff's office will post the price listing for services. Sheriff Spanel discussed with the Board the need to remove Trevor Kraus' name from the bank account and add Ashley Eley's name to the account for the purpose of office manager duties. He also discussed new signs needed on Halfway Road. Sheriff Spanel discussed the removal of surplus property from the county road department and need for inventory list if county property is being stored on personal property. Discussion included definition and clarification of what surplus property is and the need for the property to be returned to the county road department.

Sheriff Spanel discussed a resolution to apply a convenience fee of \$10.00 for vehicle title inspections conducted away from the site of the Loup County Courthouse in addition to the statutory fee of \$10.00. Steckel moved to adopt said resolution. 2nd by Larson. Roll call vote; yes; Larson, Steckel, Ruppel. Nays; none, absent; none not voting; none.

Said resolution can be found in Commissioners Record No. 10 Page 421.

The Board discussed the one-year lease on the Bobcat Compact Excavator needing renewed or canceled. Discussion included purchase of machine or continuing lease. Steckel moved continue lease with Central Nebraska Bobcat for the Bobcat Compact Excavator. 2nd by Larson. Roll call vote; yes; Larson, Steckel. Nays; Ruppel, absent; none not voting; none.

Jolene Dunbar and Jacob Stern met with the board to discuss the entrance road into Moulton cemetery. They discussed a large hole in the entrance that needs repaired. Discussion was held on whether it was the cemetery association's responsibility or the county's on repairing the road.

Kyle Shepard met with the Board to discuss a vacancy on the Loup County Planning Commission board due to Johnny Schroder Sr. passing and the need for replacement. Jolene Dunbar has agreed to fill vacancy and Jacob Stern is agreeable to be an alternate. A special meeting will be held to appoint Jolene Dunbar and Jacob Stern on April 24th.

Kyle also brought the model Flood Plain ordinance for the Board to review and invited the Board to the next Planning Commission meeting on April 24th at 6:30 P.M.

County Engineer Johnson was present to discuss bridge updates and culvert replacement updates. Chairman Larson discussed the Liddy bridge and is awaiting an estimate for the repairs needed on this bridge.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

s/ David Larson, Chairman of the Loup
County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Jamie Copsey
Loup County Clerk