

**FURNAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S
and BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
PROCEEDINGS**

**February 27, 2024, 9:00 a.m.
Commissioners Meeting Room, 3rd Floor in the Courthouse**

The Furnas County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, February 27, 2024 for a regular board meeting. Notice of the meeting was published in the Valley Voice newspaper and posted on the County's website. The agenda was emailed to each commissioner, posted on the County's website and kept current in the County Clerk's Office. Chairman Mike Sexton opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. and informed those present of the Open Meetings Act poster displayed on the wall and the provisions of the Act will be followed at this meeting. Board members present: Mike Sexton, Dennis Tegtman and Allan McCoy. Also, present Lois Bishop, County Clerk and Patrick Calkins, County Attorney.

The agenda was approved on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried. The minutes were approved with the correction on the motion for J13 enterprises Letter of Engagement for Calculations of County Levies, the seconded motion was made by McCoy. Motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed and approved on a motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

Abbreviations for this legal: S Supplies; SF Sheriff Fees; SC Services & Charges; LF Legal Fees; M Mileage, Meals, Meetings; D Dues, Reg. or Subs; DN Donation; R Rent; RF Refund; T Taxes; TR Training; MH Mental Health Hearing; I Insurance; BP Bond Payment; LP Lease/Loan Payment; C Contract Labor; WF Witness Fees, G Garnishments, P Postage, VP Visitor Promotion, W Wages; JD Jury Duty; E Equipment, F Fee's.

General Salaries W \$67,760.72 Aflac I \$854.72 ATC Communications SC \$49.90 Banner Capital Bank T \$14,367.39 Banner Capital Bank T \$6,640.04 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$4,211.12 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$6,179.77 Black Hills Energy SC \$636.47 Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Nebraska I \$48,426.92 Douglas Brown M \$118.00 Calkins Law Office R \$1,500.00 Camas Publishing, LLC-Valley Voice SC \$1,433.63 City Of Beaver City SC \$3,679.82 Justin Daake (Public Defender) C \$5,407.50 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$1,222.76 Eakes Office Plus SC \$99.99 Empower Retirement R \$300.00 Frontier SC \$107.37 Furnas Co District Court-Petty Cash P \$92.00 Furnas County Court - Postage P \$15.00 Garey Funeral Homes, Inc SC \$440.30 General Reporting Service SC \$326.53 Harlan County Treasurer SC \$118.64 Hometown Leasing L \$76.50 Norman D Lewis M \$80.00 Norman D Lewis M \$32.00 Makayla Livingston M \$200.00 Madison National Life Ins Co Inc I \$159.25 Madison National Life Ins Co, Inc I \$9.74 Mid-American Benefits Inc. I \$27,315.64 Miller Signs SC \$637.50 Alan D Mues M \$80.00 Alan D Mues M \$17.85 Nebraska State Patrol SC \$203.00 Gabriela Padilla W \$600.08 Barbara Powell M \$157.09 Roger Powell M \$11.85 Quill Corporation SC \$235.98 Colin Rogers M \$118.00 Merrill Stagemeyer M \$28.70 State Ne Admin Serv Central Finance SC \$22.00 Strayer Communications C \$32,400.00 Superior Outdoor Power SC \$172.00 Fran Thooft W \$50.00 Tri Valley Health System SC \$8.83 Wren Trosper M \$80.00 Wren Trosper M \$2.90 Vision Service Plan I \$307.71 West Central District D \$25.00 Anthony T Weverka RF \$1,125.44 Total \$228,145.65 Roads Salaries W \$13,279.80 Aflac I \$344.91 Banner Capital Bank T \$3,004.36 Banner Capital Bank T \$1,337.79 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$823.81 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,235.70 Barco Municipal Products Inc SC \$628.44 Black Hills Energy SC \$338.02 Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska I \$18,471.80 Bomgaars Supply SC \$146.03 City Of Beaver City SC \$354.03 City Of Cambridge SC \$203.87 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$383.59 Fastenal Company SC \$5.91 First Central Bank LP \$35,000.00 Furnas County Treasurer-Postage SC \$18.00 Lance M. Harter, P.E. C \$645.83 John Deere Financial SC \$1,938.99 Kimball Midwest SC \$610.44 Kimball Midwest SC \$129.85 Justin L Mowry RF \$180.00 Nebraska Child Support Payment Ctr G \$379.50 Twin Valleys Public Power District SC \$296.57 Vision Service Plan I \$90.78 Weavers One Stop SC \$34.08 Total \$79,882.10 Arpa Funds Secr Of State Interagency Billing SC \$1,759.72 Total \$1,759.72 911 Wireless Service CenturyLink SC \$81.00 Total \$81.00 Grand Total \$309,868.47.

The Treasurers Revenue List report was received and placed on file.

Sheriff Doug Brown and Jennifer Rickert joined the meeting to updated the Board on Dodge Pickup Fleet pricing and requested the use of ARPA funds to update the Dispatch Office and flooring in the Sheriff Office.

Chairman Sexton recessed the Commissioners' meeting at 9:48 for Board of Equalization.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING:

The Furnas County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, February 27, 2024. Notice of the meeting was published in the Valley Voice newspaper and posted on the County's website. The agenda was emailed to each commissioner, posted on the County's website and kept current in the County Clerk's Office. Chairman Mike Sexton opened the meeting at 9:48 a.m. and informed those present of the Open Meetings Act poster displayed on the wall and the provisions of the Act will be followed at this meeting. Board members present: Mike Sexton, Dennis Tegtman and Allan McCoy. Also, present Lois Bishop, County Clerk and Patrick Calkins, County Attorney. Assessor Sherry Thooft joined the Board to make recommendations on applications for tax exemptions on real and personal property. Thooft explained that every four years nonprofits must reapply for tax exemptions. The Sharing Place and Hollinger Church will be returned to the tax roll as they had a change in their exemption status. She is recommending that the Board approve all of the applications. The Board will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on

the applications for tax exemptions on real and personal property March 12, 2024, at 9:15 a.m. Chairman Sexton adjourned the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:51 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING: (Reconvened):

NMC Caterpillar representatives Brett Brown and Greg O'Brien joined the meeting to discuss CAT's Rebuild program and repairs needed on Motor Grader in their shop.

There was no further business before the Board, Chairman Sexton adjourned the Commissioners meeting at 11:35 a.m. The next regular board meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. or subject to call.

Mike Sexton, Chairman of the Board

Attest: Lois E. Bishop, County Clerk