

**FURNAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER
BOARD OF EQUAIZATION and
PUBLIC HEARING
PROCEEDINGS**

June 11, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

Commissioners Meeting Room, 3rd Floor in the Courthouse

The Furnas County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, June 11, 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, Tiffany Burton, District Court Clerk.

The agenda was approved on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried. Minutes from the May 28, 2024 Board meeting were reviewed and approved on a motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried. The following claims were reviewed and approved on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. 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, PY Prior Year.

General Salaries W \$21,778.89 AED Market SC \$2,588.00 Aflac I \$349.97 Ag Valley Coop SC \$945.14 Amazon Capital Services S \$159.89 Amazon Capital Services S \$602.12 Amazon Capital Services S \$552.25 At-Scene, LLC SC \$1,710.00 ATC Communications SC \$189.90 Axon Enterprise Inc SC \$7,791.00 Banner Capital Bank T \$5,142.63 Banner Capital Bank T \$2,221.59 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,678.74 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$2,346.36 Banner Capital Bank - Visa T \$265.31 Banner Capital Bank - Visa SC \$39.15 Beaver City Manor SC \$553.84 Lois E Bishop RF \$65.34 Black Hills Energy SC \$61.30 Mickayla Blender M \$24.12 Brico Pest Control SC \$30.00 Buffalo County D \$400.00 Camas Publishing, LLC-Valley Voice SC \$1,224.26 CJIS Operational Protection Service SC \$1,800.00 Credit Management Services G \$310.20 911 Custom SC \$718.00 D & D Service SC \$63.76 Dead Sled Towing And Recovery LLC SC \$1,191.00 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$439.09 Eakes Office Plus SC \$408.77 Eakes Office Plus SC \$604.90 Embassy Suites - Lincoln TR \$428.00 Family Advocacy Network SC \$1,000.00 First Central Bank LP \$3,480.16 Frontier SC \$107.37 Furnas County Clerk F \$25.00 Galls, LLC SC \$97.66 GWORKS (GIS Workshop, LLC) D \$23,953.00 Hemelstrand's Inc SC \$21.49 Hometown Leasing LP \$697.80 Hometown Leasing LP \$78.95 Interstate All Battery Center SC \$16.70 Jac Storage R \$155.00 Kelley's Supermarket Inc SC \$338.01 Kelley's Supermarket Inc SC \$27.23 Erin M Laborie M \$237.18 Makayla Livingston M \$105.60 Madison National Life Ins Co Inc I \$129.75 Marks Pharmacy SC \$54.40 Mid-American Benefits Inc. I \$5,789.11 MIPS Inc SC \$2,458.88 NCRAAO Conference TR \$600.00 Ne Assoc Of County Officials D \$1,440.90 Nirma D \$57,698.00 Phelps County Sheriff's Office SC \$1,825.04 Pinpoint Communications SC \$1,076.30 Planet Technologies SC \$491.04 Platte Valley Communications SC \$78.85 Barbara Powell M \$42.88 Quill Corporation SC \$87.98 Red Willow Co Treasurer/Bailiff C \$3,508.86 S & W Auto Parts SC \$15.48 Laura Schneider W \$305.00 Whitney A Schroeder C \$2,500.00 Soarin Group SC \$2,579.50 State Ne Admin Serv Central Finance SC \$537.60 Tk Elevator Corporation SC \$185.70 Us Postal Services P \$418.15 Verizon Wireless SC \$419.22 Vision Service Plan I \$123.79 Gentry Warner W \$468.00 Gentry Warner M \$66.20 Wex Bank (Building & Grounds) SC \$140.44 Wex Bank (Em Mgr) SC \$147.07 Wex Bank (Sheriff) SC \$725.05 Total \$170,937.86 Roads Salaries W \$16,031.68 Aflac I \$381.18 Ag Valley Coop SC \$16,228.05 ATC Communications SC \$92.96 Banner Capital Bank T \$3,759.15 Banner Capital Bank T \$1,638.77 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,004.05 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,506.05 Black Hills Energy SC \$338.29 Cambridge Telephone SC \$55.47 CHS Agri Service Center SC \$4,366.31 City Of Arapahoe SC \$188.05 City Of Beaver City SC \$164.43 City Of Cambridge SC \$138.24 Credit Management Services G \$247.39 D & D Service SC \$30.00 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$418.05 Husker Hardware SC \$66.93 Modern Farm Equipment SC \$316.74 Ne Child Support Payment Center G \$379.50 Newman Signs Inc SC \$506.77 Nirma D \$57,698.00 NMC, Inc SC \$40,228.44 Overton Sand And Gravel SC \$11,651.81 Pinpoint Communications SC \$133.76 Roy's Sales & Service SC \$170.72 Roy's Sales & Service SC \$156.29 S & W Auto Parts SC \$686.65 S & W Auto Parts SC \$503.88 Sappa Valley Farm & Auto, LLC SC \$389.90 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply SC \$353.55 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply SC \$75.14 Stalder Repair, LLC SC \$470.00 Titan Machinery - Holdrege SC \$157.17 Titan Machinery - Holdrege SC \$9,193.00 Vision Service Plan I \$90.75 Wagner's Supermarket Inc S \$41.37 Wex Bank (Road) SC \$398.76 Eric J Youngquist SC \$170.00 Total \$170,427.25 Visitors Promotion Lodging Cross Creek Golf Links DN \$2,500.00 Total \$2,500.00 Visitor Improvement Ne Travel Association DN \$150.00 Total \$150.00 Arpa Funds Applied Communication Technology SC \$6,115.65 Total \$6,115.65 911 Emergency Salaries W \$307.15 ATC Communications SC \$40.00 Banner Capital Bank T \$27.10 Banner Capital Bank T \$26.78 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$15.75 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$23.63 Total \$440.41 911 Wireless Service Arapahoe Telephone SC \$140.58 Cambridge Telephone SC \$175.13 Frontier SC \$249.16 Total \$564.87 Grand Total \$351,136.04.

The following reports were received and placed on file: Fee Reports for ROD, Sheriff, District Court; Treasurers Revenue List, Monthly Operating Statement.

The following correspondence was received: NIRMA - Renewal; NE DOT – Invitation to Participate in Section 106 Consultation.

There were no issues for the Board of Equalization.

Approval of FY 2024-25 match request received from Region 3 Behavioral Health was approved on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

Resolution 2024-6-11- Increase in participation of Cash-In Lieu was approved on a motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

Employee wage increases for 2025 will be 3.5% for all employees except Sheriff Deputies which will receive 8% was approved on a motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment time: No one from the Public was present.

Sheriff Doug Brown and Colin Rogers joined the meeting. Brown discussed filling one open position and the possibility of filling the other open position. Discussion on K-9, Nika was discussed since her handler is no longer employed full-time by the county. They agreed it would be best for her to remain with her handler. Motion by Dennis, second by McCoy to allow her handler to purchase Nika from the county for one dollar. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried. Sheriff Brown and Allan McCoy attended the Holbrook council meeting on June 10, 2024 to discuss the Village Law Enforcement Contract. Following an incident in County Court on Friday, June 7, 2024, further security and lock down procedures for the courthouse was discussed. Sheriff Brown and Emergency Manager, Roger Powell will check into what can be done in the courthouse and report back to the Board at the June 25, 2024 meeting.

There was no further business before the Board, Chairman Sexton adjourned the Commissioners meeting at 11:55 a.m. The next regular board meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 25, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. or subject to call.

Mike Sexton, Chairman of the Board

Attest: Lois E. Bishop, County Clerk