

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

July 9, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

Commissioners Meeting Room, 3rd Floor in the Courthouse

The Furnas County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, July 9, 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, Patrick Calkins, County Attorney, 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 June 25, 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 \$18,842.85 Aflac I \$349.97 Ag Valley Coop SC \$50.00 Ag Valley Coop SC \$1,791.48 Amazon Capital Services S \$70.66 Amazon Capital Services S \$321.84 Amazon Capital Services S \$180.99 Banner Capital Bank T \$4,155.90 Banner Capital Bank T \$1,901.66 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,407.92 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,980.41 Banner Capital Bank - Visa SC \$128.31 Banner Capital Bank - Visa SC \$138.87 Banner Capital Bank - Visa SC \$39.15 Beaver City Manor SC \$1,783.88 Mickayla Blender M \$17.42 Brico Pest Control SC \$30.00 Tiffany Burton RF \$14.56 Camas Publishing, LLC-Valley Voice SC \$330.31 Central Plains Valuation, LLC SC \$2,000.00 Comfort Inn SC \$479.80 Credit Management Services G \$310.20 D & D Service SC \$93.01 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$439.09 Dept Of Rev/Property Assessment Div D \$540.00 Domestic Abuse Sexual Assault Serv D \$5,000.00 Eakes Office Plus SC \$1,925.97 First Central Bank LP \$2,575.39 Furnas County Clerk F \$25.00 Furnas County Clerk District Court LF \$145.00 Hays Pharmacy Inc SF \$369.17 Hemelstrand's Inc SC \$10.49 Hemelstrand's Inc SC \$17.05 Hemelstrand's Inc SC \$205.00 Hometown Leasing LP \$621.30 Hometown Leasing LP \$78.95 JAC Storage R \$155.00 Jack's Uniforms & Equipment S \$81.94 Kelley's Supermarket Inc SC \$954.55 Makayla Livingston M \$76.50 Madison National Life Ins Co Inc I \$141.50 Marks Pharmacy SF \$410.80 Menards - Kearney SC \$29.98 Mid-American Benefits Inc. I \$3,538.94 Midwest Special Services SC \$284.90 MIPS Inc SC \$2,525.65 Ne Law Enforcement Training SF \$100.00 Phelps County Sheriff's Office SF \$120.00 Pinpoint Communications SC \$1,078.40 Roger Powell R \$10.69 Pritchard & Abbott, Inc SC \$830.00 Quill Corporation SC \$119.99 Red Willow Co Treasurer/Veterans C \$6,695.91 Region 3 Behavioral Health Services C \$3,000.50 S & W Auto Parts SC \$11.98 Laura Schneider W \$310.00 Whitney A Schroeder C \$2,500.00 Soarin Group SC \$2,091.50 State Ne Admin Serv Central Finance SC \$537.60 Tk Elevator Corporation SC \$185.70 Verizon Wireless SC \$419.50 Vision Service Plan I \$123.79 Gentry Warner W \$180.00 Gentry Warner M \$76.50 West Central Development District SC \$2,730.00 Westfield Pharmacy SF \$27.38 Wex Bank (Building & Grounds) SC \$43.96 Wex Bank (Em Mgr) SC \$137.33 Wex Bank (Sheriff) SC \$1,193.12 Total \$79,095.21 Roads Salaries W \$15,799.65 Aflac I \$381.18 Ag Valley Coop SC \$16,263.64 ATC Communications SC \$93.40 Banner Capital Bank T \$3,651.68 Banner Capital Bank T \$1,611.55 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$988.05 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,482.07 Cambridge Telephone SC \$55.64 Cat Financial Services Corporation LP \$41,950.24 Central Nebraska Equipment LLC SC \$2,190.91 Central Nebraska Equipment LLC SC \$50.00 Central States Aggregate LLC SC \$9,660.84 CHS Agri Service Center SC \$6,635.38 City Of Arapahoe SC \$185.39 Credit Management Services G \$247.39 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$418.05 Extreme Ag Inc SC \$350.35 Grummert Professional Services, LLC C \$6,150.00 Hamel Repair SC \$965.84 Jim's Ok Tire Inc SC \$7,808.00 Modern Farm Equipment SC \$1,826.38 Ne Child Support Payment Center G \$379.50 NMC, Inc SC \$23,485.10 Gary Percival W \$300.00 Pinpoint Communications SC \$133.96 Powerplan SC \$1,181.48 Roy's Sales & Service SC \$84.09 S & W Auto Parts SC \$276.75 S & W Auto Parts SC \$290.83 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply SC \$31.77 Vision Service Plan I \$90.75 Wex Bank (Road) SC \$153.22 White's Auto Glass, Inc. SC \$1,241.29 Eric J Youngquist SC \$85.00 Total \$146,499.37 Arpa Funds Platte Valley Communications SC \$7,646.10 Total \$7,646.10 911 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 Arapahoe Telephone SC \$140.58 Cambridge Telephone SC \$175.13 CenturyLink SC \$81.00 Frontier SC \$249.16 Total \$645.87 Grand Total \$234,326.96.

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

The following correspondence was received: NIRMA – Renewal Coverage Documents.

The Board discussed repairing the street lamps in front of the Courthouse using ARPA / LATCF. Roger Powell will get an estimate of the cost. They also discussed getting bids for two new Motor graders.

Jim Parks, Wilsonville board member addressed the board to let them know that the letter received from Mike Tracey was Mike’s opinion only and not that of the Wilsonville Village Board.

No one appeared on behalf of the McCook Humane Society. The board discussed the letter they received requesting funds for the Humane Society with Sheriff Brown. Since we do not provide animal control for the county, there is no need for their services. Calkins will email the decision. Chairman Sexton had previously talked with Mr. Shafer prior to the meeting so he did not need to attend the meeting as scheduled.

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

A motion was made by Tegtman, seconded by McCoy, to recess the Board of Commissioners Meeting at 10:30 a.m. and enter into Board of Equalization:

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING:

Chairman Mike Sexton opened the Board of Equalization meeting at 10:30 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 and Tiffany Burton, Clerk of District Court, Sherry Thooft, Assessor.

Thooft reviewed Preliminary Property Valuations Protest Forms for 18 parcels with the Board. Thooft explained to the Board the Under/Over Clerical Listing for 2024. Motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy to approve the listing. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried. Thooft presented Tax List Correction 2021-6. Motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman to sign the Tax List correction 2021-6. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried. Thooft gave the Board her Three-Year Plan.

Chairman Sexton adjourned the Board of Equalization Meeting at 10:45 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING (Reconvened):

Courthouse security was discussed. Tiffany Burton stated that Todd from NIRMA will be coming out July 25, 2024, to look the courthouse over and give recommendations and possibility of grants available.

There was no further business before the Board, Chairman Sexton adjourned the Commissioners meeting at 11:45 a.m. The next regular board meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. or subject to call.

Pursuant to Nebraska State Statue 23-122, the following are the current job descriptions and wages for Furnas County employees for 2024:

Clerical Clerks	Annual	\$36,134.98
Clerical Deputies	Annual	\$38,791.94
Sheriff Office Mgr.	Annual	\$38,791.94
Ext. Assistant	Hourly	\$18.65
County Atty Sec.	Annual	\$26,826.15
Weed Superintend.	Annual	\$37,112.64
Sheriff’s Chief Deputy	Hourly	\$24.35
Sheriff’s Sargent	Hourly	\$22.48
Sheriff’s Deputy	Hourly	\$21.32
Dispatch/Jailor	Hourly	\$18.06
Disp/Sprv/Jail Admin	Hourly	\$21.56
Road Personnel	Hourly	\$21.00

Mike Sexton, Chairman of the Board

Attest: Lois E. Bishop, County Clerk