

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

**August 27, 2024, 9:00 a.m.**

**Commissioners Meeting Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor in the Courthouse**

The Furnas County Board of Commissioners and Board of Equalization met Tuesday, August 27, 2024. Notice of the meetings was published in the Valley Voice newspaper and posted on the County's website. The combined agenda was e-mailed to each commissioner, posted on the County's website and kept current in the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Mike Sexton opened the Board of Commissioners 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. The minutes for the August 13, 2024 meeting were approved on a motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried. 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; 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; GR Grant*

General Salaries W \$67,617.04 Aflac I \$1,191.52 Ag Valley Coop SC \$198.49 Banner Capital Bank T \$14,414.81 Banner Capital Bank T \$6,628.70 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$4,103.48 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$6,027.02 Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska I \$50,896.25 City of Beaver City SC \$4,044.50 Consolidated Management Company SC \$81.20 Justin Daake (Public Defender) LF \$5,569.67 Daake Law Office, LLC LF \$537.50 Delta Dental of Nebraska I \$1,268.90 Dept of Rev/Property Assessment Div D \$540.00 Dewald Deaver L'Heureux, Pc LLO LF \$1,262.20 Empower Retirement R \$300.00 Family Medical Specialties SC \$77.56 Faw'S Garage Inc SC \$1,688.86 Furnas County Court - Postage P \$107.77 Furnas County Treasurer SC \$30.00 Galls, LLC SC \$48.95 Garey Funeral Homes Inc M \$981.85 Candace Geise LF \$33.40 Harlan County Health System SC \$4,239.65 Hometown Leasing LP \$76.50 Mark Huntley M \$60.08 Norman D Lewis M \$80.00 Norman D Lewis M \$13.40 Madison National Life Ins Co Inc I \$168.52 Madison National Life Ins Co, Inc I \$7.26 Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc SC \$43.00 Mid-American Benefits Inc. I \$11,347.08 Jayce Minarik M \$231.54 Mousel,Brooks,Schneider,Mustin & LF \$1,379.62 Alan D Mues M \$80.00 Alan D Mues M \$20.10 Ne Public Health Laboratory SC \$105.00 Phelps County Sheriff's Office SF \$17.77 Quill Corporation SC \$87.75 Red Willow County Treasurer SC \$298.23 Laura Schneider C \$390.00 Sirchie Acquisition Company LLC SC \$33.56 Merrill Stagemeyer M \$80.00 Merrill Stagemeyer M \$17.42 State Ne Admin Serv Central Finance SC \$22.00 Haley Strayer LF \$147.30 Wren Trosper M \$80.00 Wren Trosper M \$4.02 Urbom Law Offices, P.C. LF \$477.70 Vision Service Plan I \$298.05 Anthony T Weverka RF \$100.00 7-D Lockshop SC \$253.00 Total \$187,808.22 Road Salaries W \$16,239.81 Aflac I \$381.21 Banner Capital Bank T \$3,733.85 Banner Capital Bank T \$1,633.59 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,000.99 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,501.50 Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Nebraska I \$21,038.29 Bruckner's Truck-Corporate Billing SC \$1,616.94 Central States Aggregate LLC SC \$15,537.06 City Of Beaver City SC \$160.93 City Of Cambridge SC \$119.50 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$418.11 Lance M. Harter, P.E. C \$645.83 Ne Child Support Payment Center G \$379.50 Newman Signs Inc SC \$10,789.86 Roy's Sales & Service SC \$20.15 Roy's Sales & Service SC \$29.10 Southern Valley Diesel LLC SC \$499.87 Titan Machinery - Holdrege SC \$2,174.23 Vision Service Plan I \$90.78 White's Auto Glass, Inc. SC \$791.15 Eric J Youngquist SC \$170.00 Total \$78,972.25 Visitors Promotion Lodging Old Fashioned Saturday Night GR \$600.00 Total \$600.00 Arpa Funds Platte Valley Communications SC \$2,125.47 Secr Of State Interagency Billing SC \$2,390.04 Total \$4,515.51 911 Wireless Service CenturyLink SC \$81.00 Total \$81.00 Grand Total \$271,976.98.

Reports received: Treasurers Revenue List. Correspondence received: G402 Incident Command for Senior Elected & Appointed Leaders.

The Board approved inventories received from all departments.

A concrete bid received from Jamie Hargett for bathroom in Wilsonville County Shop was reviewed and approved on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

Gregg O'Brien from NMC CAT joined the meeting with two Motor grader contracts. On a motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman to approve the purchase of two CAT Motor graders for \$287,200.00 & \$311,100.00 after trade in. One will be financed and one purchased through Inheritance Fund. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: No one in attendance.

RaNaye Dunlap, Planning and Zoning, discussed wind and solar farm regulations.

Tiffany Burton, District Court Clerk, went over the NIRMA courthouse security report received. After discussion, it was decided to set up a committee consisting of representatives of each office to review and make recommendations to the Board on upgrades that could be made to make the courthouse more secure. The Board approved putting a larger tv in the Commissioners/Conference room for zoom meetings.

Tegtman reported on a discussion with weed superintendent, Todd Weverka. They both agreed now would be a good time to dissolve the county weed board with the duties going to the Commissioners. There are few weed boards left in the state, and by dissolving it, it would provide better communication, oversight and efficiency within the county. Motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy to put the question of dissolving of the county weed board on the general ballot November 5, 2024 as provided by state statute. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

There was no further business before the Board, Chairman Sexton adjourned the Commissioners meeting at 11:38 to go into the Board of Equalization. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. or subject to call.

**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING**

Chairman Mike Sexton opened the Board of Equalization meeting at 11:38 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.

After reviewing Tax List correction 2023-12 prepared by Sherry Thoof, Assessor, a motion was made by Tegtman, second by McCoy to approve the action. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

There was no further business before the Board, Chairman Sexton adjourned the meeting at 11:40. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. or subject to call.

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Mike Sexton, Chairman of the Board

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Attest: Lois E. Bishop, County Clerk