

**FURNAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S
and BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
PROCEEDINGS
September 24, 2024, Following Budget Hearings
Commissioners Meeting Room, 3rd Floor in the Courthouse**

The Furnas County Board of Commissioners and Board of Equalization met Tuesday, September 24, 2024. Notice of the meetings were 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 9:35 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.

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 September 10, 2024 meeting were approved on a motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

Claims listed below were reviewed and approved on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. RCV: Aye: All. 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 \$66,981.35 Aflac I \$1,191.52 Ag Valley Coop SC \$381.16 Banner Capital Bank T \$14,438.34 Banner Capital Bank T \$6,613.35 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$4,072.02 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$5,983.52 Becker Farms Inc SC \$183.80 Best Western Plus SC \$428.00 Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Nebraska I \$49,904.98 Camas Publishing, LLC-Valley Voice SC \$145.08 Credit Management Services G \$243.00 911 Custom SC \$366.40 D&N Lammel'S, LLC SC \$36.81 Justin Daake (Public Defender) C \$5,569.67 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$1,268.90 Douglas County Sheriff's Office SC \$30.80 Empower Retirement R \$500.00 Faw'S Garage Inc SC \$525.68 Faw'S Garage Inc SC \$66.50 Furnas County Clerk District Court SC \$216.00 Furnas County Sheriff's Office SC \$584.10 Furnas County Treasurer-Postage P \$898.10 Harlan County Sheriff's Office SC \$6.00 Erin M Laborie M \$376.80 Norman D Lewis M \$80.00 Norman D Lewis M \$13.40 Makayla Livingston M \$62.20 Madison National Life Ins Co Inc I \$168.52 Madison National Life Ins Co, Inc I \$9.74 Mid-American Benefits Inc. I \$10,352.59 Jayce Minarik M \$193.18 Mousel,Brooks,Schneider,Mustin & SC \$1,375.00 Alan D Mues M \$80.00 Alan D Mues M \$20.10 Oxford Supermarket SC \$14.95 Phelps County Sheriff's Office SF \$560.00 Quill Corporation SC \$89.98 Colin Rogers SC \$80.00 Laura Reed C \$230.00 Secr Of State Interagency Billing SC \$2.12 State Ne Admin Serv Central Finance SC \$184.50 Sherry Thooft M \$287.44 Sherry Thooft R \$10.60 Wren Trosper M \$80.00 Wren Trosper M \$4.02 University Of Nebraska D \$115.00 Verizon Wireless SC \$336.91 Vision Service Plan I \$298.05 Anthony T Weverka R \$50.00 Total \$175,710.18 Roads Salaries W \$16,779.30 Aflac I \$381.21 B'S Enterprises SC \$2,800.00 Banner Capital Bank T \$3,890.54 Banner Capital Bank T \$1,689.35 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,033.81 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,550.69 Black Hills Energy SC \$40.09 Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Nebraska I \$21,038.29 Bomgaars Supply SC \$55.97 Bomgaars Supply SC \$33.98 Cambridge General Store SC \$9.58 Central States Aggregate LLC SC \$29,195.46 Curly'S Radiator Service SC \$2,782.00 Curly'S Radiator Service SC \$58.00 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$418.11 First State Bank LP \$8,198.94 Don Hargett SC \$2,000.00 Lance M. Harter, P.E. C \$645.83 Kimball Midwest SC \$57.88 Kimball Midwest SC \$134.09 Michael Todd Industrial Supply SC \$629.99 Modern Farm Equipment SC \$1,976.97 Modern Farm Equipment SC \$61.43 Ne Child Support Payment Center G \$379.50 Newman Signs Inc SC \$86.95 Sappa Valley Farm & Auto, LLC SC \$264.29 Twin Valleys Public Power District SC \$111.58 Vision Service Plan I \$90.78 Eric J Youngquist SC \$185.00 Total \$96,579.61 Visitors Promotion Camas Publishing, LLC-Valley Voice SC \$300.00 Total \$300.00 Arpa Funds Secr Of State Interagency Billing SC \$2,247.40 Total \$2,247.40 Grand Total \$274,837.19

Reports received: Treasurers Revenue List, Sheriff's Fee Report. Correspondence received: None.

The Extension Office 2024-2025 budget was signed on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

ATC's Right of Way Agreement to bury Fiber Optic lines was approved on a motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the purchase agreement for 2017 Freightliner Cascadia truck currently on lease. Motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy to purchase the 2017 Freightliner Cascadia for \$20,900 currently being leased. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

Roger Powell, Emergency Manager/ Building Maintenance, presented a proposal from Figgins Construction Company for repair to the north parking lot, Commissioners discussed to use ARPA/LATCF funds, decision will be made at the next meeting. Powell found a company for bi-annual fire extinguisher inspections as the last company is no longer in business. Road sign illumination along highways was discussed. Powell stated he will get new illuminated numbers for the signs. He discussed if the hail damage on the 2009 Dodge Ram pickup should be repaired. Consensus was to have the hail damage repaired. He also presented Proclamation in Supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans received from NACO. Motion by McCoy and second by Tegtman to sign the Proclamation Operation Green Light for Veterans to

honor the service and sacrifices of Veterans and display a green light at the courthouse. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment: No one from the public was present.

Tegtman discussed the damage being done to county road signs north of Oxford. Sexton will talk with Sheriff Brown on the situation.

Motion by McCoy and second by Tegtman to recess the regular Commissioner's Meeting at 9:59 to enter into Board of Equalization meeting. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING

Chairman Mike Sexton opened the Board of Equalization meeting at 10:00 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, Sherry Thoof, Assessor.

After reviewing the Central Plains Valuation Contract to do an income approach for assessed values for Arapahoe Area Investment Fund, LLC for the assisted living facility was presented by Assessor Sherry Thoof. Motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman to approve the contract for Central Plains Valuation. RCV: Sexton, Aye; Tegtman, Aye; McCoy, Aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Sexton adjourned the Board of Equalization meeting at 10:05 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING (Reconvened):

Tiffany Burton, Clerk of District Court and Courthouse Security Chairman discussed meeting with Hamilton, Inc on door security and door locks in the Courthouse and upcoming trial events.

Erin Laborie, Extension Educator introduced UNL's new Engagement Zone Coordinator, Brandi Hilton-Hagemann and discussed the need of privacy between two offices. The commissioners looked thru the courthouse at several options and decided to build a wall in her office to provide privacy. Powell will contact a Contractor to build the wall.

There was no further business before the Board, Chairman Sexton adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m. The next meeting will be on October 8, 2024, or subject to call.

Mike Sexton, Chairman of the Board

Attest: Lois E. Bishop, County Clerk