

FURNAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER, BOARD OF EQUALIZATION, and WEED DISTRICT BOARD  
PROCEEDINGS  
January 28, 2025 9:00 a.m.  
Commissioners Meeting Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor,  
Furnas County Courthouse

The Furnas County Board of Commissioners, Board of Equalization and Weed District Board met Tuesday, January 28, 2025. 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 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.

Tegtman reported on the Region 3 meeting he attended on Friday, January 24, 2025.

The agenda was approved on a motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

The minutes for the January 14, 2025 meetings and the corrected minutes for the December 24, 2024 meeting were reviewed and approved on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

Claims listed below were reviewed and approved on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. 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; 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 \$73,896.50 Aflac I \$1,029.62 Banner Capital Bank T \$16,490.67 Banner Capital Bank T \$7,315.72 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$4,530.50 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$6,629.47 Beaver City Manor SC \$1,687.28 Mickayla Blender M \$140.28 Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Nebraska I \$48,619.65 Bryan Heart SC \$77.69 Camas Publishing, LLC-Valley Voice SC \$51.65 Cambridge Car Wash SC \$90.00 City Of Beaver City SC \$4,003.91 Justin Daake (Public Defender) C \$5,569.67 Dead Sled Towing And Recovery LLC SC \$1,254.00 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$1,184.74 Empower Retirement R \$500.00 Furnas County Court LF \$755.00 Furnas County Court - Postage P \$75.00 Furnas County Treasurer SC \$10.00 Garey Funeral Homes Inc M \$494.00 Hometown Leasing LP \$79.04 Erin M Laborie M \$158.80 Landmark Implement Inc SC \$110.92 Makayla Livingston M \$131.50 Madison National Life Ins Co Inc I \$166.04 Madison National Life Ins Co, Inc I \$9.74 Medical Enterprises, Inc SC \$36.00 Mid-American Benefits Inc. I \$4,222.43 Ne Assn Of County Treasurers D \$75.00 Nirma TR \$297.00 Planet Technologies SC \$4,012.80 Platte Valley Communications SC \$298.75 Roger Powell RF \$12.00 Quill Corporation SC \$19.59 River Valley Services SC \$14,950.00 Laura Schneider-Reed C \$540.00 Shaw Law Office LF \$426.30 State Ne Admin Serv Central Finance SC \$172.00 Tvopturf, LLC SC \$2,034.07 USPS Stamp Fulfillment Services SC \$3.55 Vision Service Plan I \$279.13 Anthony T Weverka RF/M \$175.30 Total \$202,615.31 **Roads** Salaries W \$14,918.78 Aflac I \$381.21 Banner Capital Bank T \$3,585.11 Banner Capital Bank T \$1,495.26 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$874.57 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,311.93 Black Hills Energy SC \$213.16 Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Nebraska I \$19,048.42 Central States Aggregate LLC SC \$13,268.22 City Of Beaver City SC \$424.66 City Of Cambridge SC \$299.37 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$418.11 Lance M. Harter, P.E. C \$645.83 Modern Farm Equipment SC \$160.00 Ne Child Support Payment Center G \$167.00 NMC, Inc SC \$16,500.00 Paulsen, Inc. SC \$267.94 Twin Valleys Public Power District SC \$155.51 Vision Service Plan I \$90.78 Total \$74,225.86 **Highway/Bridge Buyback** Overton Sand And Gravel SC \$33,040.37 Total \$33,040.37 **Arpa** Wages W \$6,504.99 Banner Capital Bank T \$1,343.75 Banner Capital Bank T \$631.28 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$401.26 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$587.04 The Lockmobile SC \$8,094.00 Total \$17,562.32 **911 Wireless Service** CenturyLink SC \$81.00 Frontier SC \$249.54 Total \$330.54 Grand Total \$327,774.40.

Reports received: Treasurers Revenue List, NE Extension Programming & Financial Summary for 2024 and NIRMA Shop & Sign Audit Findings. Correspondence: Titan Machinery - Thank you for mower purchase; Email from Riley Sigler- NACO County Chair Workshop on February 14, 2025.

Motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy to recess the regular meeting at 9:36 a.m. to go into Board of Equalization. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

Chairman Sexton opened the meeting at 9:36 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, Sherry Thooft, Assessor and Patsy Janzen, Deputy Assessor.

Thooft discussed Real Estate Tax List Corrections 2024-5 and 2024-6 for clerical errors. On a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy to approve Real Estate Tax List Corrections 2024-5 and 2024-6. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

Chairman Sexton adjourned the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:39 a.m.

**WEED DISTRICT BOARD:**

Chairman Sexton opened the meeting at 9:39 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.

Weed Superintendent Todd Weverka gave the Noxious Weed Control Plan Annual Report to Chairman Sexton prior to the meeting since he was unable to attend. After reviewing the Noxious Weed Control Plan Annual Report, motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy to approve the Annual Plan. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

Chairman Sexton adjourned the Weed District Board meeting at 9:45 a.m.

**COMMISSIONERS MEETING (Reconvened):**

The Board reviewed and discussed the County Shop Audits.

Public Comment: No one present for comment.

Lance Harter, Oak Creek Engineering, brought to the board the Denzel Lofgreen Dam Inspection Report. County Bridge Match Program-Program Agreement was discussed and approved for signing on a motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried. Resolution 2025-1-28A, Signing of the Project Program Agreement-BL2428, was approved for signing on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried. Discussed Bridge Inspections now need a Quality Control Review by a second Team Leader and gave the Board Bridge Inspection reports for 2024.

Sheriff Doug Brown addressed the Board on issues in his department and possibilities of starting a fitness program with incentives for deputies and jail staff.

Roger Powell discussed the work completed by River Valley on heating system and CO2 detectors installed; Shop and Sign Audit done by NIRMA on January 21 & 22, 2024 and ISS fire detection company is coming on January 30, 2025 to check fire system and discuss adding CO detectors with the current smoke detectors system.

Resolution 2025-1-28, Directing Tax Foreclosures was explained by Calkins and approved on a motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

A County Burial request application was received from Garey Funeral Home. Since the claim was not signed, approval was tabled until it is signed. County Burial applications and forms were discussed. Calkins will create an updated request form.

The Board went to the Jail for quarterly jail inspection pursuant to NE ss 47-109.

There was no further business before the Board, Chairman Sexton adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m. The next meeting will be on February 11, 2025, at 9:00 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