

FURNAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER, BOARD OF EQUALIZATION, and WEED DISTRICT BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Furnas County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, March 11, 2025 for a regular board meeting in the Commissioners Meeting Room, 3rd Floor in the Courthouse. 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. Allan McCoy, Vice Chairman, 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: Dennis Tegtman and Allan McCoy. Absent: Mike Sexton. Also present: Lois Bishop, County Clerk, Patrick Calkins, County Attorney.

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

Minutes from February 25, 2025, Meetings were reviewed and approved on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. Ayes: McCoy, Tegtman. Absent: Sexton. Motion carried.

Mike Sexton joined the meeting at 9:30. The following claims were reviewed and approved on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, McCoy, Tegtman. 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, GR Grant, BA Burial Assistance General Salaries W \$20,746.23 Adams County Justice Center SC \$159.32 Aflac I \$349.97 Ag Valley Coop SC \$2,036.91 Amazon Capital Services SC \$506.62 Amazon Capital Services SC \$819.15 Applied Concepts, Inc SC \$160.00 ATC Communications SC \$50.00 Banner Capital Bank T \$4,695.59 Banner Capital Bank T \$2,076.89 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,565.51 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$2,188.77 Banner Capital Bank - Visa SC \$836.44 Banner Capital Bank - Visa SC \$41.00 Mickayla Blender M \$259.78 Bomgaars Supply, Inc SC \$66.47 Brico Pest Control SC \$30.00 Camas Publishing, LLC-Valley Voice SC \$2,710.41 City Of Beaver City SC \$4,055.92 D & D Service SC \$293.50 Davis Law, LLC LF \$1,300.00 Dead Sled Towing And Recovery LLC SC \$399.00 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$439.09 Dept Correctional Svcs SC \$3,219.13 Eakes Office Plus SC \$31.65 Eakes Office Plus SC \$939.66 Eakes Office Plus SC \$173.33 FGH Law Office, LLC LF \$466.08 First Central Bank LP \$3,791.61 Furnas Co District Court-Petty Cash P \$35.00 Furnas County Clerk F \$25.00 Furnas County Clerk District Court LF \$180.00 Furnas County Sheriff-Postage P \$81.63 Seth Gustafson RF \$105.63 Harlan County Treasurer SC \$13.19 Hemelstrand's Inc SC \$25.88 Hometown Leasing LP \$712.05 Sam Hunt M \$23.80 Mark Huntley RF \$8.08 Jac Storage R \$155.00 Kelleys Supermarket Inc SC \$515.72 Klein,Brewster,Brandt & Messersmith LF \$1,137.50 Makayla Livingston M \$263.30 Madison National Life Ins Co Inc I \$141.50 Marks Pharmacy SC \$46.58 Mid-American Benefits Inc. I \$6,140.66 Mid-States Organized Crime Info Ctr SC \$100.00 MIPS Inc SC \$2,525.65 Mousel,Brooks,Schneider,Mustin & LF \$50.00 Naceb - Ne Assn Co Extension Boards D \$100.00 Ne State Fire Marshall-Elevator Div SC \$120.00 Norton County Sheriff's Office SC \$40.00 Pinpoint Communications SC \$1,080.50 Quill Corporation SC \$15.59 Red Willow Co Treasurer/Bailiff C \$4,478.17 S & W Auto Parts SC \$38.03 Laura Schneider-Reed W \$340.00 Whitney A Schroeder C \$2,500.00 Mike Sexton M \$112.00 Soarin Group SC \$2,593.50 State Ne Admin Serv Central Finance SC \$537.60 Cordell Stover RF \$80.00 Leah Tenbenschel M \$20.30 Tk Elevator Corporation SC \$185.70 Urbom Law Offices, P.C. LF \$748.00 Verizon Wireless SC \$472.71 Vision Service Plan I \$128.60 Amy Warner M \$11.20 Wex Bank (Em Mgr.) SC \$171.34 Wex Bank (Sheriff) SC \$1,329.40 Total \$81,796.84 Roads Salaries W \$14,116.53 Aflac I \$381.18 Ag Valley Coop SC \$5,958.88 ATC Communications SC \$93.86 Banner Capital Bank T \$3,096.83 Banner Capital Bank T \$1,395.47 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$860.86 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,291.40 Bomgaars Supply, Inc SC \$1,416.48 Broken Bar C Electric, LLC SC \$3,261.09 Cambridge General Store SC \$20.38 Cambridge Telephone SC \$55.82 CHS Agri Service Center SC \$1,842.73 City Of Arapahoe SC \$577.33 City Of Beaver City SC \$484.82 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$418.05 Extreme Ag Inc SC \$198.45 Hamel Repair SC \$213.06 Hemelstrand's Inc SC \$43.12 Jim's Ok Tire Inc SC \$2,721.50 John Deere Financial SC \$77.40 Ne Child Support Payment Center G \$167.00 NKC Tire / McWhorter's Tire SC \$636.00 NMC, Inc SC \$1,645.77 North Central Air, Inc SC \$32.65 Platte Valley Communications SC \$1,037.82 Roy's Sales & Service SC \$150.92 S & W Auto Parts SC \$49.69 S & W Auto Parts SC \$1,293.13 Sappa Valley Farm & Auto, LLC SC \$36.88 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply SC \$326.82 Twin Valleys Public Power District SC \$327.90 Van's Radiator & Welding SC \$3.75 Village Of Wilsonville SC \$40.06 Vision Service Plan I \$90.75 Wex Bank (Road) SC \$86.49 Total \$44,450.87 Arpa Funds Eakes Office Plus SC \$47,084.85 Total \$47,084.85 911 Emergency Salaries \$307.36 ATC Communications SC \$40.00 Banner Capital Bank T \$26.89 Banner Capital Bank T \$26.78 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$15.75 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$23.63 Platte Valley Communications SC \$308.75 Total \$749.16 911 Wireless Arapahoe Telephone SC \$140.58 Cambridge Telephone SC \$175.13 Frontier SC \$264.61 Total \$580.32 Grand Total \$174,662.04.

Reports received: Fee Reports: ROD, Sheriff, District Court; Treasurers Revenue List and Monthly Operating Statement, Treasurers- 2025 Tax Certificates Sold at Public Auction Report.

Correspondence Received: Commission on Law Enforcement and Justice- Jail Inspection on 3-4-25; NE Department of Transportation- State Transportation Improvement Plan; Email from Jon Cannon- LR13CA Constitutional Inheritance Tax Repeal.

Tiffany Burton, District Court Clerk, updated the Board on the final phase of the Courthouse Security issues. The Locksmith was down on March 3 to re-key offices and install deadbolts where needed. They will finish next week.

Patrick Calkins, County Attorney, reviewed and discussed the Guardian ad Litem Contract with the Board. He will update with a few changes and present it at the meeting on March 25.

The MOU between Arthur, Chase, Dundy, Furnas, Hayes, Hitchcock, Kieth, Perkins and Red Willow Counties for Community-Based Juvenile Services Aid Program for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 was reviewed and discussed. Motion by McCoy to sign the MOU, second by Tegtman. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

An Empower Amendment to recordkeeping services Agreement & Trust or Custodial Agreement: Float Compensation Disclosure was presented by the Clerk. After discussion, the Board stated that it is an HR issue and the Clerk should be the one to sign all the documents from Empower.

The Representation Letter for Don Wilson, Auditor was signed by Chairman Sexton.

Purchase of a snow plow from Roy's Sales and Service for \$5,700 to be put on the Courthouse pickup was approved on a motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy. District one road crew will help with the install. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, McCoy, Tegtman. Motion carried.

Calkins discussed needed handbook changes. Discussed possible website updates. Discussion on updating the Treasurer's counter window for it to automatically open after a power outage, clerk will check into it. McCoy discussed putting the Peterbilt semi and other unused items up for auction. Motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman to use auctions for surplus items. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, McCoy, Tegtman. Motion carried. McCoy will bring a List of Surplus Equipment to the next meeting.

There was no further business before the Board, Chairman Sexton adjourned the Commissioners meeting at 11:55 a.m. The next regular board meetings will be held on Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. or subject to call.

Mike Sexton, Chairman of the Board

Attest: Lois E. Bishop, County Clerk