

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

**March 25, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
Commissioners Meeting Room, 3rd Floor,
Furnas County Courthouse**

The Furnas County Board of Commissioners, Board of Equalization and Weed District Boards met Tuesday, March 25, 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 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 stating 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.

Roger Powell, Emergency Manager and Building & Grounds – reported on recent EM activities and updates regarding the Building & Grounds department.

Tegtman reported on Mid-Nebraska and Region 3 committee meetings he attended last week.

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

The minutes for the March 11, 2025 meetings were reviewed and approved on a motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman. 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, GR Grant, BA Burial Assistance General Salaries W \$71,836.21 Aflac I \$1,168.98 Banner Capital Bank T \$15,639.22 Banner Capital Bank T \$7,085.55 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$4,373.61 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$6,406.94 Mickayla Blender M \$99.82 Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Nebraska I \$49,904.98 Buffalo County Sheriff LF \$19.00 Tiffany Burton RF \$162.16 City Of Beaver City SC \$2,534.08 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$1,166.28 Dept Correctional Svcs SC \$2,403.44 Eakes Office Plus SC \$243.41 Empower Retirement R \$500.00 Furnas Co District Court-Petty Cash P \$2.75 Furnas County Attorney P \$100.00 Furnas County Sheriff's Office SF \$123.12 Harlan County Treasurer SC \$48.28 Hometown Leasing R \$79.04 Klein,Brewster,Brandt & Messersmith LF \$237.50 Erin M Laborie M \$229.60 Makayla Livingston M \$88.50 Lynn Peavey Company SC \$118.61 Madison National Life Ins Co Inc I \$166.04 Madison National Life Ins Co, Inc I \$32.44 Mid-American Benefits Inc. I \$2,684.16 Mousel,Brooks,Schneider,Mustin & LF \$25.00 Ne Assn Emergency Management D \$405.00 Ne Public Health Laboratory SC \$105.00 Oxford Locker Inc SC \$26.00 Pemberton Goodies' Auto Detailing SC \$100.00 Planet Technologies SC \$70.40 Quill Corporation SC \$121.74 Red Willow County Sheriff LF \$60.57 Laura Schneider-Reed C \$450.00 State Ne Admin Serv Central Finance SC \$172.00 Urbom Law Offices, P.C. LF \$602.25 Vision Service Plan I \$310.97 Anthony T Weverka RF \$445.44 White's Auto Glass, Inc. SC \$337.26 Total \$170,685.35 Roads Salaries W \$16,222.64 Aflac I \$381.21 Banner Capital Bank T \$3,781.28 Banner Capital Bank T \$1,615.40 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$945.27 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,417.95 Black Hills Energy SC \$280.27 Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Nebraska I \$19,048.42 Bomgaars Supply, Inc SC \$323.10 Corporate Billing LLC - Dept 100 SC \$109.54 City Of Beaver City SC \$214.55 City Of Cambridge SC \$178.69 D&N Lammel'S, LLC SC \$311.85 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$418.11 Frontier Comm C/O Cmr Claims Dept SC \$1,351.34 Grummert Professional Services, LLC SC \$1,800.00 Lance M. Harter, P.E. SC \$645.83 Integrated Security Solutions SC \$367.00 Ne Child Support Payment Center G \$167.00 Overton Sand And Gravel SC \$8,267.34 Southern Valley Diesel LLC SC \$3,080.76 Tri Valley Health System SC \$49.00 Vision Service Plan I \$90.78 Total \$61,067.33 911 Wireless CenturyLink SC \$81.00 Total \$81.00 Grand Total \$231,833.68.

Reports received: Treasurers Revenue List. Correspondence: None.

Joining the meeting at 9:45, were RaNaye Dunlap, representing the Planning & Zoning Committee and Jackson & Justina Johnson. The Johnsons inquired about the possibility of upgrading a minimum maintenance road to regular maintenance standards.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION: No items were presented for a meeting.

WEED DISTRICT BOARD: No items were presented for a meeting. Superintendent Weverka was attending training.

Public Comment: No one from public in attendance.

Sheriff Brown reported to the Board on the wellness program offered by BlueCross & BlueShield stating it was not cost-effective for their goals. He has implemented a fitness & wellness program for his deputies.

Discussion was held regarding a public notification system. Sheriff Brown stated that notifications could likely be managed through the existing Code Red system. He will check on the costs, and the Clerk will schedule a 10-minute Zoom video demonstration by GoGov.com for the next meeting.

The Guardian ad Litem contract with changes requested by the board was presented by County Attorney Calkins. Motion to approve the updated contract by McCoy, second by Tegtman. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

Updates to the Employee Handbook and Surplus Equipment forms were tabled until the April 8, 2025 meeting.

Figgins Construction joined the meeting to discuss the armor coating project on the north parking lot. The project is scheduled for completion by July and an updated proposal will be sent to the Clerk.

The Clerk presented a Special Designated License-Local Recommendation form for Board approval, allowing Ho-Jo’s Hideaway to serve liquor at a Wedding reception on May 31 in the county. A motion to approve the SDL request was made by Tegtman, seconded by McCoy. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

There was no further business before the Board, Chairman Sexton adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m. The next meeting will be on April 8, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. or subject to call.

Mike Sexton, Chairman of the Board

Attest: Lois E. Bishop, County Clerk