

SALINE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The regular meeting of the Saline County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 26th, 2023, by Chairperson Phil Hardenburger. **Present:** Hardenburger, Marvin A. Kohout, Janet J. Henning, Russ Karpisek and Stephanie A. Krivohlavek, Commissioners and County Clerk Diann Nettifee.

Notice of said meeting was posted in the County Clerk's Office, on the Saline County Website, and published in all three County newspapers on December 20th, 2023, in compliance with State Statutes.

Hardenburger advised those present of the open meetings act posted at the back of the room and that all proceedings are electronically recorded.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA;

Henning moved to approve the Agenda, seconded by Karpisek. Motion Carried;

- Krivohlavek: aye
- Hardenburger: aye
- Henning: aye
- Karpisek: aye
- Kohout: aye

Motion Passed;

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING;

Karpisek moved to approve the minutes of the previous Board of Commissioners meeting, seconded by Krivohlavek. Motion carried;

- Hardenburger: aye
- Henning: aye
- Karpisek: aye
- Kohout: aye
- Krivohlavek: aye

Motion Passed;

CITIZENS FORUM;

Gary Veprovsky addressed the Board;

CORRESPONDENCE;

Karpisek received an email from Kay Kottas in regard to the CO2 pipeline;

REPORT OF OFFICIALS;

Commissioner Karpisek; Attended NACO Conference, attended open meeting laws with State Attorney General and Assistant State Attorney and met with Todd Bell concerning Union negotiations for the Roads Department;

Commissioner Krivohlavek; Nothing to report;

Commissioner Kohout; Attended NACO Conference, Zoom meeting with Governor, variance board, NACO officers meeting and Consumption Tax;

Commissioner Henning; Nothing to report;

Commissioner Hardenburger; Attended NACO Conference, and Union negotiations;

10:34 a.m. Meeting in Recess;

10:47 a.m. Meeting Reconvened;

BUSINESS FOR ACTION;

Discuss/Approve Tourism Grant Awards, Tourism Committee, Sheryl Kastanek;

Henning moved to Approve Tourism Grant Awards, seconded by Kohout. Motion carried;

- Henning: aye
- Karpisek: aye
- Kohout: aye
- Krivohlavek: aye
- Hardenburger: aye

Motion Passed;

Discuss/Approve new Extension Board applications;

Henning moved to Approve new Extension Board applications, seconded by Krivohlavek.

Motion carried.

- Karpisek: aye
- Kohout: aye
- Krivohlavek: aye
- Hardenburger: aye
- Henning: aye

Motion Passed;

Approved Annual Pay Increase of 4% for Appointed Officials;

Henning moved to Approve Annual Pay 4% Increases for Appointed Officials, seconded by Karpisek. Motion carried;

- Kohout: aye
- Krivohlavek: aye
- Hardenburger: aye
- Henning: aye
- Karpisek: aye

Motion Passed;

Discuss/Approve HRA & COBRA proposal for Mid-America Benefits;

Krivohlavek moved to Approve HRA & COBRA proposal for Mid-America Benefits, seconded by Karpisek. Motion carried;

- Krivohlavek: aye
- Hardenburger: aye
- Henning: aye
- Karpisek: aye
- Kohout: aye

Motion Passed;

Discuss/Approve Dental and Vision Plans - changing the current servicing company to Benefit Management;

Krivohlavek moved to Approve Dental and Vision Plans - changing the current servicing company to Benefit Management, seconded by Karpisek. Motion carried;

- Hardenburger: aye
- Henning: aye
- Karpisek: aye
- Kohout: aye
- Krivohlavek: aye

Motion Passed;

Discuss/Approve Options for the 2024 Group Term Life (change from \$15,000.00 to \$25,000.00) and Long Term Disability Insurance Plans (change to maximum disability pay)

Krivohlavek moved to Approve Options for the 2024 Group Term Live (change from \$15,000.00 to \$25,000.00) and Long Term Disability Insurance Plans (change to maximum disability pay), seconded by Karpisek. Motion carried;

- Henning: aye
- Karpisek: aye
- Kohout: aye
- Krivohlavek: aye
- Hardenburger: aye

Motion Passed;

Daryl Clark, Assessor Office Update;

John McKee - Emergency Management Update;

RESOLUTIONS TO TRANSFER FUNDS

Discuss/Approve Resolution #2023-79; Transfer \$235,000.00 from Inheritance Tax Fund #2700 to General Fund #0100;

Henning moved to Approve Resolution #2023-79; Transfer \$235,000.00 from Inheritance Tax Fund #2700 to General Fund #0100, seconded by Kohout. Motion carried;

- Karpisek: aye
- Kohout: aye
- Krivohlavek: aye
- Hardenburger: aye
- Henning: aye

Motion Passed;

Discuss/Approve Resolution #2023-80; Transfer \$6,000.00 from Inheritance Tax Fund #2700 to Grant Fund #2500, to be reimbursed when funds are available;

Henning moved to Approve Resolution #2023-80; Transfer \$6,000.00 from Inheritance Tax Fund #2700 to Grant Fund #2500, to be reimbursed when funds are available, seconded by Krivohlavek. Motion carried;

- Kohout: aye
- Krivohlavek: aye
- Hardenburger: aye
- Henning: aye
- Karpisek: aye

Motion Passed;

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT - ROAD AND BRIDGE MATTERS

Discuss/Approve Change order for Project C76 (723);

Henning moved to Approve Change order for Project C76(723), seconded by Karpisek. Motion carried.

- Krivohlavek: aye
- Hardenburger: aye
- Henning: aye
- Karpisek: aye
- Kohout: aye

Motion Passed;

Discuss/Approve Change order for Project C76(790);

Henning moved to Approve Change order for Project C76(790), seconded by Kohout. Motion carried;

- Hardenburger: aye
- Henning: aye
- Karpisek: aye
- Kohout: aye
- Krivohlavek: aye

Motion Passed;

CLAIMS APPROVAL;

Karpisek moved to approve the claims as presented, seconded by Henning. Motion carried.

- Henning: aye
- Karpisek: aye
- Kohout: aye
- Krivohlavek: aye
- Hardenburger: aye

All Funds

Rebecca Anderson	Atty Fees	2,142.25
Anytime Plmb	Bldg Maint	996.14
Auto Rpr Plus	Equip Rpr	679.52
Barnas	SpIs	1,968.10
Benefit Mgt	Cntrct	1,500.00
Black Hills	Utly	2,508.39
Capital Bus Sys	Cntrct	148.00
City of Wilber	Utly	8,845.36
Ace Hardware	SpIs	217.30
Culligan	Cntrct	683.55
Cummins Sales	Equip Rpr	418.59
Wendy Cutting	Cntrct	120.00
Eakes	SpIs	2,831.21
ES&S	Elect	1,820.12
Farmers Coop	Fuel	37,429.10
Food Mesto	SpIs	22.92
Forensic Beh Hlth	Cntrct	1,350.00
Friend Comm Hlthcr	Cntrct	530.00
Mitch Fritz	BOA	24.17
Goodwin Tucker	SpIs	166.80
Gropp Law	Reimb	75.00
Charles Hroch	Bldg Maint	180.00
Jefferson Co Em Mgt	Cntrct	4,425.00
Kalkwarf & Smith	Atty Fees	1,922.01
Jeffrey Koll	BOA	33.34
Matthew Kosmicki	Atty Fees	3,166.03
Justin Kuntz	MHB	190.72
Language Line	Cntrct	73.07
Lepant Law	Atty Fees	1,757.50
Ingrid Lindal	Mlg	79.26

Anthony Lytle	Reimb	11.90
Marshall & Swift	Cntrct	681.20
Microfilm Img	Cntrct	150.00
Midwest Crt Rprtnng	Cntrct	97.50
MIPS	Cntrct	4,598.54
Nathan Mueller	Mlg	225.54
Kham Nang	MHB	440.28
NE Title	Cntrct	175.00
NE Weed Cntrl Assc	Trng	150.00
Nebraska.Gov	Cntrct	32.00
Aron Ourecky	BOA	26.79
Quill	SpIs	204.05
Resilient Hope Counseling	Cntrct	600.00
Saline Co Atty	Reimb	44.75
Saline Co Crt	Reimb	734.97
Saline Co Dist Crt	Reimb	218.00
Saline Co Reg of Deeds	Reimb	38.00
Saline Co Sheriff	Reimb	1,910.95
Sapp Bros	Fuel	9,765.27
Sec of State	Cntrct	20.00
Seward Co Ind	P&P	1,028.78
Shop Qwik	Fuel	510.33
Shredding Sltns	Cntrct	54.53
Sid Dillon	Equip Rpr	714.98
Siemens	Bldg Maint	3,254.00
State of NE	Cntrct	242.00
Anita Stougard	Mlg	1,227.70
Summit	SpIs	15,877.43
Thomas & Thomas	Cntrct	280.00
Thomson Reuters	Cntrct	160.24
Tk Elev	Bldg Maint	354.63
Unite	Comm	6,490.06
Becky Vales	Mlg	47.82
Carroll Verhage	MHB	283.95
Visa	SpIs	50.37
Visa	Pstg	8.56
Visa	Pstg	1,306.32
Visa	Fuel	62.72
Visa	SpIs	11.99
Visa	SpIs	44.99
Visa	Unif	91.65
Visa	Equip	37.48
Visa	Equip	155.07
Walker	Bldg Maint	82.03
Jennifer Warning	Reimb	13.67
Madeline Werner	Mlg	189.47
York Co 911	Trng	356.40
41 Auto	Equip Rpr	623.95
41 Auto	Equip Rpr	1,304.09
AKRS	Equip Rpr	3,152.94
Beatrice Concrete	Gravel	39,025.19
Beaver Hardware	SpIs	209.70
City of Crete	Utly	255.92
City of Friend	Utly	44.35
Cornhusker Intl	SpIs	64.81

Ace Hardware	Spls	204.20
Crete Auto	Equip Rpr	504.21
Farmers Union Coop	Equip Rpr	2,893.96
Filtercare	Spls	80.50
Friesen Chevy	Equip Rpr	1,238.89
Hamilton Equip	Equip Rpr	1,500.00
Linde Gas	Spls	91.57
NMC	Equip Rpr	1,652.69
NPPD	Utly	655.48
Pomp's Tire	Equip Rpr	644.03
Powerplan	Equip Rpr	8,957.11
CNH	Equip Rpr	5,378.45
RDO	Spls	644.65
Southwest Gravel	Gravel	5,686.36
Spring Creek Rpr	Spls	81.95
Transit Works	Spls	2,399.00
Van Kirk Bros	Cntrct	128,203.22
Village of Dorchester	Utly	104.51
Village of Swanton	Utly	68.51
Village of Western	Utly	83.50
Visa	Pstg	37.80
Waste Cncts	Utly	237.94
JJK Const	Cntrct	62,908.54
Kathy Homolka	Mlg	275.10
Samantha Cosaert	Prgm	345.00
Purfoods	Prgm	425.00
Tabitha	Prgm	737.50
Visa	Prgm	435.46
Visa	Prgm	543.06
Visa	Prgm	1,069.30
Wilber Care Center	Prgm	918.00
Nereyda Zambrand	Prgm	80.00
Homestead LEPC	Cntrct	143.31
First Wireless	Comm	63,455.35
Windstream	Comm	1,379.26
Bob Barker Co	Spls	2,870.92
Food Mesto	Spls	220.19
Stephanie Flynn Law	Atty Fees	1,919.30
iSolved	Pyrl & TxS	258,874.76
Ameritas Life	Retire	29,691.71
Empower	Def Comp	4,017.00
Saline County Court	Garnish	513.77

Motion Passed;

11:30 COUNTY GENERAL ASSISTANCE AND CLOSED SESSION MATTERS;

No General Assistance or Closed Session Needed;

11:13 a.m. Meeting in Recess;

1:03 p.m. Meeting Reconvened;

1:00 p.m. PLANNING AND ZONING INTERVIEWS;

Interviews conducted for the Planning and Zoning Board:

Joel Weber

Troy Steuer

Jeffrey Koll

John Barta – by phone

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:47 p.m. The next regular meeting will be on January 9, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in the Saline County Commissioners' Room, Court House, Wilber, NE.

ATTEST;

Phil Hardenburger, Chairperson

Stephanie A. Krivohlavek, Vice Chairperson

Russ Karpisek

Marvin A. Kohout

Janet J. Henning

Diann Nettifee, Clerk

I, Diann Nettifee, County Clerk in and for Saline County, do hereby certify that the minutes of the December 12th, 2023 Board of Commissioners' meeting were presented and approved as presented.

ATTEST;

Phil Hardenburger, Chairperson

Stephanie A. Krivohlavek, Vice Chairperson

Russ Karpisek

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