

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, November 26, 2024, by Chairperson Phil Hardenburger. Present were Hardenburger, Marvin A. Kohout, Janet J. Henning, and Russ Karpisek Commissioners, County Clerk Diann Nettifee. Commissioner Stephanie A. Krivohlavek and County Attorney David Solheim were absent.

Notice of said meeting was posted in the County Clerk’s Office and published in all three county newspapers on November 20, 2024, in compliance with State Statutes;

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA;

Karpisek moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Henning. Motion carried;

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

Motion Passed;

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 12, 2024 MEETING;

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

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

Motion Passed;

CITIZENS FORUM; No participation;

CORRESPONDENCE; Homestead Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting 12/5/2024, FEMA Fiscal Year 2025 updates, NIRMA nominations for Board of Directors, Blue Valley Community Action minutes from November 19th meeting, Tri County Public Schools invitation to Community Forum on December 2nd;

REPORT OF OFFICIALS; Karpisek – received road complaints; Krivohlavek – absent; Kohout – attended safety committee meeting working on updating the safety manual. Zoom meeting with Governor was canceled; Henning – attended meetings with APACE, RGB and Public Health Solutions; Hardenburger – attended Ag Society meeting, will be meeting Prochaska & Associates next week to look at options for the former jail building, telephone conference with Tall Grass Energy (Scott Prestidge) concerning C02 pipeline, project expected to start next spring foreseeing only 5 valves that can be physically seen and they are continuing responder training sessions;

BUSINESS FOR ACTION;

Senator Tom Brandt spoke on Homestead Exemption issues, new County Purchasing Act increasing to \$70,000 limit, Inheritance Tax, with Commissioners asking questions; Dustin Will and Dan Duran with Benefit Management reviewed 2025 benefits for County employees;

Karpisek moved to Approve 2025 Benefits as presented by Benefit Management, seconded by Henning. Motion carried;

- Krivohlavek: *Absent*
- Karpisek: *aye*
- Kohout: *nay*
- Hardenburger: *aye*
- Henning: *aye*

Motion Passed;

10:39 a.m. Meeting in Recess;

10:58 a.m. Meeting Reconvened;

RESOLUTIONS TO TRANSFER FUNDS;

Henning moved to Approve Resolution #2024-070 Transfer \$140,000.00 from Inheritance Fund to General Fund, seconded by Kohout. Motion carried;

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

Motion Passed;

Henning moved to Approve Resolution #2024-071 Transfer \$165,000.00 from Inheritance Fund to Road and Bridge Fund, to be reimbursed when funds are available, seconded by Karpisek.

Motion carried;

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

Motion Passed;

Henning moved to approve Resolution #2024-072 Transfer \$1,400.00 from Inheritance Fund to Juvenile Services Aid Program Fund, to be reimbursed when funds are available, seconded by Kohout. Motion carried;

Motion carried;

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

Motion Passed;

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

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

Motion Passed;

R Anderson	Atty Fees	2,470.00
J Baumann	Reimb	30.00
Beatrice Mech	Sppls	402.10
Black Hills	Utly	320.83
Capital Bsns	Cntrct	157.00
Cedars	Cntrct	806.00
City of Wilber	Utly	11,744.20
Mcgill Law	Atty Fees	1,073.50
D Collins	Prgm	1,170.75
Crete Ace	Sppls	20.57
Crete Ace	Sppls	12.13
Crowne Plaza	Trng	606.10
Culligan	Cntrct	225.25
Datashield	Cntrct	99.00
D Drake	Mlg	50.92
Eakes	Sppls	510.44
Ecolab	Cntrct	9.56
Equifax	Cntrct	301.74
Fairfield Inn	Trng	687.90
Farmers Coop	Fuel	23,209.80
Filter Shop	Sppls	159.63
Food Mesto	Sppls	93.06
Greatamerica	Cntrct	223.90
S Gropp	Atty Fees	3,144.50
HD Sply	Sppls	209.18
Heath Sports	Unif	744.68
Helena	Sppls	319.75
Jeff Co Em	Cntrct	4,425.00
S Johnson	Lbr	56.00
Kalkwarf & Smith	Atty Fees	769.50
M Karel	Cntrct	705.00
Kiner Sply	Sppls	927.55
J Kuntz	Atty Fees	627.00
Lancaster Co Sheriff	Cntrct	30.00
Language Line	Cntrct	42.89
I Lindal	Mlg	24.12
Mallory Safety	Sppls	161.38
Masonry Const	Bldg Rpr	3,313.00

Mid America	Cntrct	9,734.60
MIPS	Cntrct	4,271.96
NACO	Trng	2,267.60
NCEA	Trng	360.00
NE.gov	Cntrct	83.00
NIRMA	Trng	1,269.00
T Osborn	Reimb	266.13
Point C	Cntrct	347.50
Quality Inn	Trng	341.04
Quill	Sppls	62.99
Region V Sys	Cntrct	428.00
Saline Co Atty	Reimb	95.10
Saline Co Dist Crt	Reimb	360.00
Saline Co ROD	Reimb	64.00
Saline Co Sheriff	Reimb	1,160.17
Sapp Bros	Fuel	10,783.22
Sweet Tea Med	P&P	3,383.01
Shop Qwik	Fuel	83.63
Sid Dillon	Equip Rpr	1,587.83
Soarin Grp	Cntrct	1,097.00
D Spanyers	Reimb	155.82
Stanard Appraisal	Cntrct	2,500.00
State of NE	Cntrct	242.00
Summit	Sppls	17,353.31
Thomson Reuters	Cntrct	179.47
Christina Thorton	Atty Fees	1,188.51
TK Elevator	Bldg Maint	366.90
USPS	Pstg	2,000.00
UPN	Comm	6,567.02
Visa	Sppls	4,708.26
Voss	Sppls	83.63
Walker	Sppls	82.03
41 Auto	Equip Rpr	2,880.72
A&R Const	Cntrct	150,711.15
AKRS	Sppls	431.87
Beatrice Concrete	Gravel	24,270.32
Beaver Hardware	Sppls	169.96
City of Crete	Utly	258.88
City of Friend	Utly	46.70
Crete Auto	Equip Rpr	863.10
Crete Lumber	Sppls	48.96
Farmers Union Coop	Fuel	2,231.37
Filtercare	Sppls	78.00
KT's Market	Sppls	20.76
Linde Gas	Sppls	94.81
NMC	Equip Rpr	2,279.11
NPPD	Utly	505.36
Card Services	Sppls	56.77
Pomp's	Equip Rpr	2,918.45
Powerplan	Equip Rpr	566.00
RDO	Equip Rpr	339.04
Sack Lumber	Sppls	285.25
Shaffer Comm	Comm	1,651.09
SW Gravel	Gravel	10,865.93
Bowman Cnsltng	Cntrct	38,415.22
Truck Center	Equip Rpr	143.73
Village of Dorchester	Utly	111.32
Village of Swanton	Utly	77.67
Village of Western	Utly	83.25
Waste Connections	Utly	241.60

T Winkler	Reimb	60.00
Young's Welding	Spis	153.18
K Zumpfe	Reimb	60.00
Crete Chamber	Reimb	1,980.50
Western Heritage Museum	Reimb	1,500.00
S Cosaert	Prgm	646.00
Arbor Ink	Spis	71.52
B Dvorak	Mlg	152.09
Hampton Inn	Trng	695.00
Family Service	Prgm	1,600.00
A Stougaard	Prgm	1,800.00
Prochaska & Assc	Cntrct	7,096.60
Nemaha Co Sheriff	Cntrct	63.00
Vigilnet	Spis	215.45
UBT	Bnd	510,205.90
iSolved	Pyrl & Tx	284,568.71
Ameritas Life	Retire	32,977.16
Empower	Def Comp	2,194.61
Saline Co Crt	Garnish	308.10

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT – ROAD AND BRIDGE MATTERS

Henning moved to Approve Moving Project C76(687) to one (1) year plan from the six (6) year plan, seconded by Karpisek. Motion carried;

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

Motion Passed;

Highway Superintendent, Bruce Filipi updated the Commissioners on road/bridge projects;

11:05 a.m. Henning moved to enter into closed session, seconded by Karpisek. Motion carried;

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

Motion Passed;

11:32 a.m. Karpisek moved to exit closed session with no action taken, seconded by Kohout.

Motion carried;

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

Motion Passed;

Kohout moved to Approve 5% Wage Increases for Appointed Officials, seconded by Henning.

Motion carried;

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

Motion Passed;

ADJOURNMENT;

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:36 a.m. The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in the Saline County Commissioners' Room, Court House, Wilber, NE.

ATTEST;

ABSENT 11/26/2024

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 November 12, 2024, Board of Commissioners' meetings were presented and approved as presented.

ATTEST;

ABSENT 11/12/2024

Phil Hardenburger, Chairperson

Stephanie A. Krivohlavek, Vice Chairperson

Russ Karpisek

Marvin A. Kohout

Janet J. Henning

Diann Nettifee, Clerk