

Wayne, Nebraska  
May 18, 2021

The Wayne County Board of Equalization meeting was called to order by Chairman James Rabe at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, in the Wayne County Courthouse courtroom. Chairman Rabe, Members Dean Burbach and Terry Sievers, Assessor Dawn Duffy, Attorney Amy Miller, Sheriff Jason Dwinell, and Clerk Debra Finn were present. Notice of this meeting was published in the Wayne Herald, a legal newspaper, on May 6, 2021. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted and accessible to the public.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Burbach and seconded by Sievers. Roll call vote: Burbach, Sievers, Rabe – aye; motion carried.

Duffy presented a listing of omitted property and clerical errors to the March 19<sup>th</sup> assessment roll. Upon review, a motion was made by Burbach and seconded by Sievers to approve the listing. Roll call vote: Burbach, Sievers, Rabe – aye; motion carried.

Motor vehicle exemptions for American Red Cross, Grace Lutheran Church, Haven House, Northeast Nebraska Public Health Department, Our Savior Lutheran Church, Providence Medical Center, Rainbow World, and Wayne State Foundation were approved on a motion by Sievers and seconded by Burbach. Roll call vote: Sievers, Burbach, Rabe - aye; motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

Debra Finn, Wayne County Clerk

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The Wayne County Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order by Chairman Terry Sievers at 9:05 a.m. on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, in the Wayne County Courthouse courtroom. Chairman Sievers, Members Dean Burbach and James Rabe, Attorney Amy Miller, Sheriff Jason Dwinell, and Clerk Debra Finn were present. Notice of this meeting was published in the Wayne Herald, a legal newspaper, on May 6, 2021. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted and accessible to the public.

Chairman Sievers presented the following consent agenda items:

- a. Approve minutes of May 4, 2021, as printed in the Commissioners Record
- b. Approve fee reports
- c. Approve payroll, with each commissioner abstaining from approving their own claim
- d. Approve withdrawal of Cusip No. 3130AJAP4 for \$250,000.00 pledged by State Nebraska Bank & Trust
- e. Approve Special Designated Liquor License Permit for Wheelers Bar & Grill to serve a wedding reception and dance at the Wayne County Fair Commercial Building on June 19<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m.
- f. Approve Special Designated Liquor License Permit for Wayne County Ag Society for beer in the grandstands at a concert, demo derby, bull ride, and tractor pull at the Wayne County Fair July 22<sup>nd</sup> – July 25<sup>th</sup>

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Rabe and seconded by Burbach. Roll call vote: Rabe, Burbach, Sievers - aye; motion carried.

A motion to approve the regular agenda was made by Burbach and seconded by Rabe. Roll call vote: Burbach, Rabe, Sievers – aye; motion carried.

A motion to proceed with the following fund transfers included in the 2020-2021 county budget was made by Burbach and seconded by Rabe: General Fund to County Road Fund \$2,000,000 property tax transfer; Rural Road Improvement Fund to County Road Fund \$124,062.29 property tax transfer; Inheritance Tax Fund to General Fund \$500,000, to County Road Fund \$300,000, to County Improvement Fund \$100,000 to reduce property tax request. Roll call vote: Burbach, Rabe, Sievers – aye; motion carried.

UNL Educator Amy Topp has a staff vacancy and is considering an option of making the position a county-funded 4-H Assistant. Seventy percent of this individual's time would be spent on education, focusing on K-12 students. The individual would be a University employee. The pay and benefits would be determined by the University; the county would reimburse the university on a quarterly basis. Individuals employed in this position would be able to pursue their Masters Degree by paying only the fees. This employment model has been successful in sixteen counties so far. The

commissioners liked the idea of additional training opportunities for the youth, but were concerned about having an employee without a working relationship. Topp encouraged them to visit with some of the counties currently using this model.

Emergency Manager Nic Kemnitz stated he had been asked to provide quotes for a utility terrain vehicle to be used at functions such as the county fair and for search and rescue purposes. Quotes from Grossenburg Implement Inc., Yankton Motorsports, All Seasons Powersports and Marine, Motorplex of Norfolk, and Polaris Sales Inc. were reviewed. The differences in horsepower, seating capacity, winch capabilities and delivery dates were discussed. Sievers made a motion to let Kemnitz choose the unit he felt best suited his needs; Rabe seconded the motion. Burbach questioned the motion saying he didn't feel we needed a high-dollar unit considering the limited use it would get. He also questioned what the county would do about a trailer. Sievers stated he had a trailer that could be used. Roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

Representatives from Blattner Energy reported they had 24 sites excavated, and two sites backfilled for the Haystack Wind Project. The small bridge that had collapsed in District #3 has been replaced with culverts. Turbines will start arriving on June 21<sup>st</sup>.

Highway Superintendent Mark Casey reported the temporary driveway signs for the Sholes wind project have been installed. Pictures will be taken and submitted with a billing to David Levy, Esq. Casey also reported the by-pass project at Weichs is done and looks good, and there are a couple of utility permits pending.

A motion to approve the following claims was made by Rabe and seconded by Burbach. Roll call vote: Rabe, Burbach, Sievers - aye; motion carried.

Abbreviations: PS-Personal Service, SU-Supplies, MA-Materials, RP-Repairs, OE-Operating Expense, ER-Equipment Rent, CO-Capital Outlays

**General Fund:** Burbach, Dean, PS \$1,895.83; Sievers, Terry, PS \$1,895.83; Rabe, Jim, PS \$1,895.83; Finn, Debra, PS \$2,794.13; Biermann, Sharolyn, PS \$2,062.94; Tietz, Joni, PS \$1,950.00; Blake, Cally, PS \$1,687.50; Paustian, Tammy, PS \$2,981.63; Lindsay, Lisa, PS \$1,670.25; Gemelke, Paula, PS \$1,312.50; Swanson, Angie, PS \$1,668.75; Duffy, Dawn, PS \$2,794.13; Sutak, Carrie, PS \$1,904.25; Schultz, Trudy, PS \$1,201.50; Allemann-Dannelly, Debra, PS \$2,794.13; Pieper, Diane, PS \$1,904.25; Barnes, Ann, PS \$1,730.21; Gansebom, Laurie, PS \$1,758.75; Quinn, Tarrin, PS \$1,281.00; Brentlinger, Patrick, PS \$1,848.00; Dwinell, Jason, PS \$2,801.63; Bratcher, Clayton, PS \$2,072.22; Frank, Jesse, PS \$2,211.92; Claussen, Daniel, PS \$1,764.86; Hawthorne, Nick, PS \$1,653.10; Doescher, Jan, PS \$1,151.40; Miller, Amy, PS \$2,794.13; Knutson, Eric, PS \$2,235.30; Nelson, Dawn, PS \$1,257.75; Kemnitz, Nic, PS \$2,115.20; Casey, Mark, PS \$2,509.40; Deck, Doug, PS \$690.00; Wieland, Brad, PS \$1,587.90; Barnes, Ann, PS \$286.16; Quinn, Tarrin, PS \$22.00; Wieland, Bradley, PS \$70.46; Ace Hardware & Home, SU \$28.50; Albin, Mark D., OE \$2,804.66; American Broadband, OE \$2,210.92; Appeara, OE \$505.38; Arnie's Ford, CO \$67,700.00; Barco Municipal Products, Inc., OE \$1,018.44; Cardmember Service, OE \$85.60; Cardmember Service, SU \$355.75; Cardmember Service, OE \$45.02; Claussen & Sons Irrigation, Inc., OE \$171.92; Comfort Inn & Suites, OE \$267.00; DAS State Accounting, ER \$190.76; Eakes Office Solutions, SU \$172.67; Eastern NE Telephone Company, OE \$98.37; Farmers Co-operative, MA \$229.10; Floor Maintenance, SU \$131.23; GIS Workshop, CO \$7,160.00; Hometown Leasing, ER \$121.85; Hytrek Lawn Service, OE \$550.00; Jerry's Trailers & Campers, Inc., RP \$25.16; Lutt Oil, MA, OE \$1,552.36; Mainelli Wagner & Associates, Inc., OE \$935.00; Maximus, Inc., OE \$1,074.00; MIPS Inc., SU, ER, CO \$2,748.89; NACEB, OE \$100.00; NACO, OE \$2,026.91; Nebraska Association of County Clerks, Register of Deeds, and Election Commissioners, OE \$125.00; Nebraska County Attorneys Association, OE \$1,240.00; Northeast Nebraska Area Agency on Aging, OE \$4,382.00; Northeast Nebraska R C & D Inc., OE \$1,500.00; Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co., OE \$88.37; One Office Solution, SU \$186.12; Pierce County Sheriff's Department, OE \$1,600.00; Pierce Pharmacy, OE \$16.15; Postmaster, OE \$28.75; Quality Printing & Office Supplies, SU \$64.77; Tri-State Communications Inc., RP \$70.95; U.S. Cellular, OE \$479.46; UHS Premium Billing, PS \$70,726.43; University of Nebraska, CO \$1,686.59; Verizon Wireless, OE \$40.01; Waste Connections of Nebraska, OE \$145.17; Wattier, Patti, OE \$450.00; Wayne County Clerk of District Court, OE \$108.00; Wayne Herald/Morning Shopper, OE \$947.30; Wayne, City of, OE \$7,720.52; Woehler Trailer Court LLC, ER \$700.00; Farmers State Bank Acct# 244-220, PS \$14,952.24; Aflac, PS \$632.38; Delta Dental of Nebraska, PS \$366.37; First Concord Benefits Group, PS \$3,486.62; Legal Shield, PS \$61.80; Nebraska Department of Revenue, PS \$4,809.62; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$7,458.29; Vision Service Plan, PS \$239.86; Washington National Insurance Co., PS \$116.00; Wayne County Treasurer, PS \$1,287.50;

**County Road Fund:** Beiermann, Todd, PS \$1,968.00; Doring, Brent, PS \$1,968.00; Langenberg, Dustin, PS \$1,574.40; Huff, Kyle, PS \$1,968.00; Tanderup, Robert, PS \$1,968.00; Hefti, Travis, PS \$1,968.00; Hansen, Dallas, PS \$1,968.00; Hurlbert, Scott, PS \$1,771.20; Lange, Levi, PS \$1,771.20; Burbach, Ryan, PS \$1,968.00; Shultheis, Christopher,

PS \$1,771.20; Carlson, Joel, PS \$1,968.00; Hefti, Eric, PS \$1,968.00; Davis, Rick, PS \$1,968.00; Jenkins, Todd, PS \$1,968.00; Marks, Randall, PS \$2,155.50; Rabe, Jerold, PS \$1,968.00; Appeara, OE \$44.74; Auto Anatomy Alternatives LLC, RP \$320.00; Backus Sand & Gravel, MA \$39,167.66; Christensen, Dennis & Lisa, CO \$8,000.00; Dinkel's, ER \$3,002.00; Farmers Co-operative, RP, SU \$965.60; Fredrickson Oil Company, MA, RP \$1,578.74; Gary Backhaus Gravel, MA \$3,595.92; Grossenburg Implement, RP, MA \$236.82; Jerry's Body Shop, RP \$182.98; John's Welding & Tool, LLC, RP \$242.00; Mainelli Wagner & Associates, Inc., \$13,640.22; Matteo Sand & Gravel Co., Inc., MA \$3,058.51; Midwest Service and Sales Co., MA \$30,054.08; Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co., RP \$65.04; NMC Exchange LLC, RP \$132.82; RDO Truck Centers, RP \$2,051.74; Titan Machinery, RP \$24.75; Wayne Auto Parts, RP, SU, MA \$560.27; Wayne County Clerk, CO \$28.00; Wayne County Treasurer, CO \$15.00; Wayne, City of, OE \$466.61; Winside, Village of, OE \$143.84; Farmers State Bank Acct#244-220, PS \$6,879.47; Aflac, PS \$351.91; Delta Dental of Nebraska, PS \$408.30; First Concord Benefits Group, PS \$545.82; Nationwide Retirement Solutions, PS \$40.00; Nebraska Department of Revenue, PS \$2,025.08; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$3,653.10; Vision Service Plan, PS \$79.44; Washington National Insurance Co., PS \$75.40; Wayne County Treasurer, PS \$730.37

**Lodging Tax Fund:** Wayne Municipal Airport, OE \$2,000.00

**ROD Preservation & Modernization:** Microfilm Imaging Systems, OE \$365.00; MIPS Inc., OE \$134.09

**County Improvement Fund:** Berggren Architects, CO \$4,906.54

The meeting was adjourned

Debra Finn, Wayne County Clerk