

The Wayne County Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order by Chairman James Rabe at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, in the Public Safety Annex. Chairman Rabe, Members Terry Sievers and Dean Burbach, Sheriff Jason Dwinell, and Clerk Debra Finn were present. Notice of this meeting was published in the Wayne Herald, a legal newspaper, on January 5, 2023. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted and accessible to the public.

Chairman Rabe presented the following consent agenda items:

- Approve minutes of January 3, 2023, as printed in the Commissioners Record
- Approve fee reports: Debra K. Allemann-Dannelly, Clerk of District Court, December Fees \$875.00; Debra Finn, County Clerk, December Fees, \$18,252.75
- Approve payroll, with each commissioner abstaining from approving personal claims
- Set uniform allowance at \$15.00 per month and on-call at \$50.00 per month for 2023
- Designate the courthouse bulletin board, the Wayne County website, and The Wayne Herald as public notice sites for 2023
- Approve County Burial Application No. 23-01

The consent agenda was approved on a motion made by Sievers and seconded by Burbach. Roll call vote: Sievers, Burbach, Rabe – aye; motion carried.

The regular agenda was approved on a motion made by Sievers and seconded by Burbach. Roll call vote: Sievers, Burbach, Rabe – aye; motion carried.

A motion was made by Sievers and seconded by Rabe to appoint Burbach as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, Rabe as Chairman of the Board of Equalization, and to appoint Sievers as Vice-Chair of the Board of Commissioners and Vice-Chair of the Board of Equalization. Roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

Burbach took over the meeting as Chairman.

A motion was made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers to re-appoint Mark Casey as Wayne County Highway Superintendent from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, and to authorize Casey to sign all road/bridge reports. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

A motion was made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers to re-appoint Dr. Mark McCorkindale as County Coroner's Physician and to make the following board appointments: Northeast NE Area Agency on Aging – Burbach, Northeast NE Economic Development District – Burbach, Northeast Nebraska Joint Housing Agency – Burbach, Northeast Juvenile Services, Inc – Sievers, Northeast NE Public Health Department – Rabe, Northeast NE RC&D – Rabe, NorthStar Services – Rabe, Region IV Mental Health Services – Rabe, Wayne Area Economic Development Board – Burbach, Wayne Area Business & Industry Committee – Sievers, Wayne Community Redevelopment Authority – Sievers, Wayne County Safety Committee – Burbach, Wayne County Security Committee – Dwinell, Knutson, Sievers. Roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

Sievers questioned the 2023 Cost of Living raise stating with a flat dollar raise employees received different hourly amounts depending on the total number of hours worked per week. Burbach preferred a flat dollar raise because all employees received the same total amount. A motion was made by Sievers and seconded by Rabe to set the cost of living raise for 2023 at 75 cents per hour, effective January 2, 2023. Roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe – aye; Burbach – nay; motion carried.

Rabe made a motion, which was seconded by Sievers, to approve the Wayne County Convention & Visitors Bureau Committee recommendations on the following Lodging Tax Grant Applications. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

- #22-31 Approved \$250.00 for Christmas-N-Carroll held on November 18th & 19th, 2022, sponsored by the Carroll Park Renovation
- #22-32 Approved \$500 for Winside Community Park Christmas Lighting Ceremony held on December 4, 2022, sponsored by Hometown Christmas Festival
- #22-33 Approved \$500 for Omelet & Pancake Feed on February 15, 2023, at the Winside City Auditorium, sponsored by Winside Fire and Rescue
- #22-34 Approved \$2,000 for Wayne America Fly-In at the Wayne Municipal Airport on May 26-28, 2023
- #22-35 Approved \$500 for Carroll Volunteer Fire Department Pancake & Omelet Feed on March 12, 2023, at the Carroll City Auditorium
- #22-36 Approved \$1500 for Cars-N-Carroll Show & Shine on September 24, 2023, on Main Street Carroll

- #22-37 Approved \$500 for Cars-N-Carroll Craft/ Vendor Show on September 24, 2023, at the Auditorium & City Park in Carroll

Danielle Gearhart was appointed as the Wayne County Citizen Representative to the Northeast Nebraska Public Health Department on a motion made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

Sandra Hansen provided an update on the ARPA fund projects. The Northeast Nebraska Public Health Department and the Wayne County Safety Committee projects are completed and closed.

Wayne Fair Board representative Todd Greunke told the board they are looking at expanding the handicapped seating. For now, they can flatten the area north of the crow's nest and put a portable unit there. Eventually, they will be replacing all of the bleachers at the fairgrounds as the current bleachers are shifting downhill.

Kyle Huff is in his fourth year inspecting bridges and will be working with Highway Superintendent Casey to develop the One and Six-Year Road Improvement Plan. Huff signed up to attend the Highway Superintendent License training workshop. A motion was made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers to pay for Huff's Highway Superintendent training and testing expenses and to permit Huff to assist Casey when conditions allow. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

Grader Blade quotes were received from CAT, B's Enterprises, Inc., and Midwest Service & Sales. A motion was made by Sievers and seconded by Rabe to accept the low bid of \$48,806.12 submitted by Midwest with delivery in 4-5 weeks. Roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

Casey received word that CBMP 7 will include bridges C009002810 3.2N 1.8W of Hoskins and C009012725 3.6E 2.7N of Carroll being replaced with culvert pipes..

Burbach reported his new storage shed would be 60' x 120' with 2' stem walls. Mainelli Wagner will be soliciting bids for the building in February. Rabe reported looking at a new 120' x 80' shop building to be placed north by the mailbox with the door facing east. He is working with Dean Ashoff on the building.

Burbach stated he will be bidding on a used CAT tandem-drive motor grader.

Various building projects were reviewed with Pat Brentlinger. Sievers will look into the replacing part of the parking lot north of the courthouse.

Rabe made a motion to approve the following claims, and Sievers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

General Fund: Payroll & Reimbursements: \$68,281.48; Albin, Mark D., OE \$1,181.49; All Hours Towing LLC, OE \$225.00; Appeara, OE \$595.03; Aristatek, Inc., SU \$2,500.00; Cardmember Service, SU \$1,316.42; Cardmember Service, SU \$297.77; DAS State Accounting, OE, ER \$125.88; Eakes Office Solutions, SU, ER \$530.64; Elkhorn Valley Bank, OE \$46.70; Exhaust Pros Total Car Care, OE \$288.00; Farmers Co-operative, MA \$51.74; Fastwyre Broadband, OE \$2,460.68; Floor Maintenance, SU \$165.76; Fredrickson Oil Company, RP \$16.00; Heikes, Alan DBA Heikes Automotive Service, OE \$200.00; Hilltop Drugs ETC, OE \$228.37; Hometown Leasing, ER \$121.85; Jorgensen, Kate DBA Jorgensen Law, OE \$11,198.97; Lutt Oil, MA, OE \$982.24; Menard's, SU \$37.67; Midwest Alarm, RP \$1,570.26; MIPS, Inc., ER, OE, CO \$3,128.86; Motorola Solutions, Inc., SU \$1,055.00; Northeast Nebraska Assessor Association, OE \$25.00; Nebraska Clerk of District Court Association, OE \$50.00; Nebraska Association of Emergency Management, OE \$160.00; Nebraska County Assessors Association, OE \$60.00; Nebraska Department of Revenue, OE \$2,943.16; Nebraska Weed Control Association, OE \$330.00; Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co., OE \$79.13; One Office Solution, SU \$200.81; Physicians Laboratory, P.C., OE \$365.00; Quadient, SU \$45.60; Region IV, Inc., OE \$2,677.25; Security Shredding Services, OE \$70.00; Thurston County Sheriff, OE \$50.00; U.S. Cellular, OE \$424.62; UHS Premium Billing, PS \$82,433.37; USPS-POC, OE \$25,000.00; Verizon Wireless, OE \$40.01; Visa, MA \$62.72; Wanek Pharmacy, OE \$101.51; Warnemunde Insurance, OE \$1,796.00; Waste Connections of Nebraska, OE \$156.01; Wattier, Patti, OE \$475.00; Wayne County Clerk of District Court, OE \$36.00; Wayne County Court, OE \$102.00; Wayne County HRA Account, PS \$50,685.89; Wayne County Treasurer, OE \$576.60; Wayne Herald/Morning Shopper, OE \$49.95; Wayne, City of, OE \$8,180.38; Woehler Trailer Court LLC, ER \$700.00; Nebraska Bank Acct# 244-220, PS \$15,646.33; Aflac, PS \$596.82; Delta Dental, PS \$371.23; First Concord Benefits Group, PS \$2,979.98; Legal Shield, PS \$42.85; Nebraska Department of Revenue, PS \$5,092.79; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$7,620.77; Vision Service Plan, PS \$249.26; Washington National Insurance Company, PS \$55.10; Wayne County Treasurer, PS \$1,395.95;

County Road Fund: Payroll & Reimbursements: \$38,736.30; Ambroz, Connie J., ER \$60.00; Appeara, OE \$46.55; Bauer Built, RP \$20.00; Cardmember Service, SU \$323.19; Carroll, Village of, OE \$100.10; Eastern Nebraska Trailer Repair, Inc., RP \$140.00; Farmers Co-operative, OE, MA, RP \$19,238.56; Gary Backhaus Gravel, MA \$5,527.32; John's Welding & Tool, LLC, RP \$245.20; Kelly Supply Company, RP \$1.13; Lutt Oil, MA \$297.28; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc., SU

\$374.12; NMC Exchange LLC, RP \$7,307.03; Northeast Glass, RP \$231.00; Pilger Sand & Gravel, Inc., MA \$9,202.85; Prairie Fabrication LLC, RP \$1,054.22; Sapp Brothers, SU \$157.40; Stanley Petroleum Maintenance, Inc., RP \$407.02; Tri-State Communications, Inc., RP \$1,409.58; Wayne Auto Parts, SU, MA \$127.21; Wayne County Clerk, CO \$16.00; Wayne, City of, OE \$544.97; Winside, Village of, OE \$203.61; Nebraska Bank Acct# 244-220, PS \$8,066.96; Aflac, PS \$351.91; Delta Dental of Nebraska, PS \$319.43; First Concord Benefits Group, PS \$1,360.00; Nationwide Retirement Solutions, PS \$40.00; Nebraska Department of Revenue, PS \$2,350.52; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$4,336.74; Vision Service Plan, PS \$79.44; Washington National Insurance Company, PS \$75.40; Wayne County Treasurer, PS \$884.75;

Lodging Tax Fund: Tacos & More, OE \$64.51; Wayne Area Economic Development, Inc., OE \$1,802.76;

ROD Preservation & Modernization Fund: MIPS, Inc., OE \$136.48;

Inheritance Tax Fund: Carlson, Ellen, PS \$24.00; Clark, Marian, PS \$24.00; Fallesen, Delores, PS \$12.00; Hefti, Roger, PS \$60.00; Hitchcock, Richard, PS \$84.00; Holdorf, Delmar, PS \$36.00; Janssen, Leroy, PS \$120.00; Johnson, Lorraine, PS \$252.00; Landanger, Billy, PS \$36.00; Lutt, Melinda, PS \$96.00; McDonald, Karen, PS \$156.00; Miller, Myron, PS \$72.00; Muhs, Douglas, PS \$48.00; Mundil, Joseph Edward, PS \$60.00; Nissen, Robert, PS \$204.00; Reeg, Joyce, PS \$12.00

County Improvement Fund: Baird Holm, CO \$8,315.00

The meeting was adjourned.

Debra Finn, Wayne County Clerk