

The Wayne County Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order by Chairman Dean Burbach at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, in the Wayne County Courtroom. Chairman Burbach, Members Terry Sievers and Jim Rabe, Attorney Amy Miller, Deputy Jesse Frank, and Clerk Debra Finn were present. Notice of this meeting was published in the Wayne Herald, a legal newspaper, on February 23, 2023. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted and accessible to the public.

Chairman Burbach presented the following consent agenda items:

- a. Approve minutes of February 21, 2023, as printed in the Commissioners Record
- b. Approve payroll, with each commissioner abstaining from approving a personal claim
- c. Approve fee reports: Jason Dwinell, County Sheriff, January Fees, \$1,127.32; Debra K. Allemann-Dannelly, Clerk of District Court, February Fees, \$1,116.00

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

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

Resolution No. 23-03 was approved on a motion by Rabe and seconded by Sievers. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

**Resolution No. 23-03:** “WHEREAS, it appears to the Board of County Commissioners that it is necessary and advisable to the County, all facilities and services of its depository Bank, for the year 2023.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the County Treasurer of Wayne County, Nebraska, be and hereby is, authorized and consent is given, to deposit in BankFirst of Wayne, therefore duly and hereby designated as a depository for county funds an amount of money in excess of 50% of the paid-up capital and surplus of aid Bank, provided said depository Bank gives security, as provided in Section 77-2318.01 of the Revised Statutes of Nebraska, Reissue 1958, for protection of any funds of said County such depository Bank may hold.”

Upon Attorney Miller’s request, a motion was made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers to table the “potential contract for Public Defender” until the March 21, 2023 meeting. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach - aye; motion carried.

Lawn mowing bids from Logic Lawns, White Dog Lawn Service, Big Scoot’s Lawn Service, and a lawn spraying bid from Y&Y Lawn Service were opened. A motion was made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers to accept the White Dog Lawn Service bid of \$200 per service, which includes mowing, grass haul away, trimming, and stick pick up, and the Y & Y Lawn Service bid of \$500 per step for lawn spraying. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

Concrete bids from Jason Jorgensen, Wayne Korth, Lurz Construction, and Sebade Construction were opened. A motion was made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers to table action on the bids until they can get further clarification on the two lowest bids. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

Case Worker Sandra Hansen presented two Wayne County Fair Board ARPA fund applications.

- A request for \$385,100 to install new bleachers at the fairgrounds to increase the safety of the eventgoers and increase the number of handicapped seats. There would be at least 3000 regular seats and 24 wheelchair spaces.
- A request for \$10,800 to install a new sidewalk by the new bleachers. The sidewalk would extend to the handicapped parking lot.

Lutz & Company, PC, an ARPA consulting firm, reviewed the applications and felt the project is within the interim final rule allowed for “aid to tourism, travel, hospitality, and other impacted industries.” The projects can meet the timeline and cost guidelines. A motion was made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers to approve the application for \$385,100 for bleachers and the application for \$10,800 for sidewalk submitted by the Wayne County Fair Board. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

General Assistance Claim #23-01 was reviewed. The claim was denied coverage under Guidelines 1-3(2) and 1-3(3) and Requirements 2-005-01 and 2-006.02. The client was provided with a list of several available assistance programs. A motion was made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers to deny General Assistance Claim #23-01. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

A change in the agenda deadline for commissioner meetings was discussed. The 24-hour cut-off (Monday at 9:00 a.m.) gave the board little time to prepare for the meeting. Sievers proposed a cut-off time of 5:00 p.m. on Thursday with an exception made for emergency items. This change would allow the board to receive the information on Friday. The cut-off date for claims would remain the same. A motion was made by Sievers to amend the Board Meeting Policy to: "Potential agenda items may be submitted to the county clerk during posted business hours until 5:00 p.m. the Thursday before the meeting with exceptions made for emergency items. Accounts Payable and Payroll Claims may be submitted until 5:00 p.m. the Wednesday before the meeting." Rabe seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

The following claims were approved on motion by Sievers and seconded by Rabe. Roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

**General Fund:** Payroll & Reimbursements: \$69,907.07; Ace Hardware & Home, SU \$45.06; Appera, OE \$537.33; Applied Connective Technologies, OE \$3,542.48; Black Hills Energy, OE \$2,037.45; Boarders Inn & Suites, OE \$288.00; Bomgaars, RP, MA \$73.79; Comfort Inn, OE \$129.95; Dept Correctional SVCS, OE \$8,523.48; Eakes Office Solutions, SU \$137.13; Electronic Engineering, OE \$125.00; Empower Annuity Insurance Company of America, OE \$300.00; Exhaust Pros Total Car Care, OE \$412.00; Floor Maintenance, SU \$188.12; Hrouda, Jeffrey L, OE \$3,099.35; Jorgensen, Kate DBA Jorgensen Law, OE \$1,357.72; Menard's, CO \$830.36; Miller Law, OE, ER \$1,611.14; MIPS, Inc., ER, CO \$2,808.22; Morland, Easland, & Lohrberg, OE \$655.58; NACO, OE \$590.00; Nebraska Department of Revenue, OE \$30.00; Security Shredding Services, OE \$35.00; Tom's Body & Paint Shop, Inc., RP \$1,004.55; Verizon Wireless, OE \$40.01; Wattier, Patti, OE \$475.00; Wayne County Clerk of District Court, OE \$36.00; Wayne County Sheriff, OE \$32.50; Wayne Herald/Morning Shopper, OE \$826.13; Wayne, City of, OE \$1,124.68; Nebraska Bank Acct# 244-220, PS \$15,985.67; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$7,823.46

**County Road Fund:** Payroll & Reimbursements: \$38,779.50; Ace Hardware & Home, OE, SU \$35.25; Appera, OE \$47.75; B's Enterprises, Inc., MA \$79,427.40; Black Hills Energy, OE \$875.51; Bomgaars, SU, MA \$552.92; Carhart Lumber Company, SU \$130.86; Grossenburg Implement, RP \$1,951.82; Hansen Brothers Parts & Service, Inc., RP \$16.16; Lammers Trailer Repair, LLC, RP \$5,153.97; Martin Marietta Materials, MA \$1,062.35; Matteo Sand & Gravel Co., Inc., MA \$52,407.77; Menard's, SU \$13.97; Midwest Service and Sales Co., MA \$53,780.12; Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co., RP \$2,874.01; NMC Exchange LLC, RP \$6,591.72; Northeast Power, OE \$340.24; Rollin' Coal Trucking LLC, MA \$2,452.94; Scott Burbach Trucking L.L.C., MA \$5,297.50; Wayne, City of, OE \$651.86; Weldon Parts Norfolk, RP \$124.57; Nebraska Bank Acct# 244-220, PS \$8,078.56; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$4,341.60

**Spec Road – Snow Removal & Equipment Fund:** NMC Exchange LLC, CO \$241,000.00  
**Lodging Tax Fund:** Carroll Park Renovation, OE \$218.00; Wayne Blue Devil Booster Club, OE \$535.00; Wayne Herald/Morning Shopper, OE \$101.00

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

The meeting was adjourned.

Debra Finn, Wayne County Clerk