

The Wayne County Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order by Chairman Dean Burbach at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 7, 2023, in the Wayne County Courtroom. Chairman Burbach, Members Terry Sievers and Jim 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 February 9, 2023. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted and accessible to the public.

Chairman Rabe presented the following consent agenda items:

- a. Approve minutes of February 7, 2023, as printed in the Commissioners Record
- b. Approve payroll, with each commissioner abstaining from approving a personal claim
- c. Approve fee reports: Debra Finn, County Clerk, January Fees, \$15,006.69.

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.

Hiring a new Veterans Service Officer was discussed. The Veterans Service Committee and Wieland recommended hiring someone full-time, with benefits, at the same rate currently paid to Wieland. The board decided to make it 37.5 hours per week to start, noting that the hours may be reduced in the future. The starting wage will be \$18.00 per hour and may increase as the officer's skills develop.

Austin Partridge and Tobin Buchanan introduced themselves as Public Finance Directors for First National Capital Markets, an affiliate of FNBO. They provide bond underwriting for counties and other local governments. Their company can also help with investments.

Robert Latimer of Summit Carbon Solutions presented updated information on the CO2 Transport Pipeline. A pump station will be built on a 4-acre site along a fenceline on 853rd Rd. The station is needed to repressure the product in the pipeline. The anticipated construction start date has been changed to March 2024.

The meeting was recessed for the One and Six Year Hearing.

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A public hearing to receive input on the One and Six Year Road Improvement Plan convened at 10:47 a.m. Chairman Burbach, Members Sievers and Rabe, Highway Superintendent Casey, Attorney Miller, Sheriff Dwinell, and Clerk Finn were present.

Notice of this hearing was published in the Wayne Herald on February 9th & 16th, 2023, provided to KTCH Radio, posted in banks and post offices in the county, and posted on the courthouse bulletin board.

Casey reviewed the top ten priority projects on the One Year Plan. The remaining projects on the One Year Plan are there in case the engineering work gets done. Seven projects were deleted on the Six Year Plan as priorities have changed.

No oral or written testimony was received from the public.

The hearing was closed.

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The regular meeting reconvened at 11:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers to adopt Resolution No. 23-01. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

Resolution No. 23-01: "WHEREAS, the Wayne County Roads Department has presented a One and Six Year Highway Improvement Plan to the County Board of said County, and

WHEREAS, the said Board deems it to be in the best interest of the County, to adopt said plan as presented.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of Wayne County, Nebraska, that said plan be and hereby is approved and accepted."

Burbach has been negotiating with NE Machinery to purchase a used 2019 Caterpillar that had a transmission default in the cylinder wall repaired. The special purchase of this unit was advertised and one bid was received from Nebraska Machinery. A motion was made by Sievers and seconded by Rabe to approve the special purchase of a 2019 Caterpillar 140 motor grader for \$241,000. Roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

A Program Agreement and a Signing Resolution for County Bridge Match Program Project No. STWD-CBMP(7) were received from the Nebraska Department of Transportation. A motion was made by Rabe and seconded by Sievers

to adopt Resolution No. 23-02. Roll call vote: Rabe, Sievers, Burbach – aye; motion carried. The Program Agreement was signed.

Resolution No. 23-02: “WHEREAS: Wayne County is proposing a transportation project for which it would like to obtain County Bridge Match funds, and

WHEREAS: Wayne County understands that it must strictly follow all State and local laws, rules, regulations, policies, and guidelines applicable to the funding of the project; and

WHEREAS: Wayne County and Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) wish to enter into a new Project Program Agreement setting out the various duties and funding responsibilities for the project.

BE IT RESOLVED: by the Board of Commissioners of Wayne County that: Chair of the Wayne County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to sign the attached Project Program Agreement between Wayne County and the NDOT.

Wayne County is committed to providing local funds for the project as the Project Program Agreement requires.

NDOT Project Number: STWD-CBMP(7), NDOT Control Number: 00974F, NDOT Project Name: County Bridge Match Program.”

Bid results from Cedar County CBMP(6) were reviewed. The A&R Construction bids accepted were \$397,605.74 for C-90(669), and \$244,950.21 for C-90(674).

County Office Reports:

- County Attorney Amy Miller introduced Jaime Muhs as the new Child Support worker. DHHS is responsible for her training.
 - Juvenile Diversion handled 16 cases last year; there are five cases already this year. Diversion is a six to nine month program that keeps the case from being adjudicated.
- County Treasurer Lisa Lindsay reported the 2023 license plates are going out quickly.
 - They are using the updated retention schedules to clean out old files.
 - Lindsay is reviewing investments with the banks to get the interest rates raised.
 - The annual delinquent tax sale will be on March 6th. There will be 43 parcels, just under \$70,000 going on sale. The sale will be conducted in a round-robin format in the courthouse basement.
- County Clerk Deb Finn reported the City of Wayne had 2,688 voters at the General Election. The city residents voted at the District #1 county shed and had a 47% turnout. There were 2,547 voters in the rural areas. They voted by mail and had a 66% turnout. The total cost of the election was \$36,372. The county recovered \$6,600 from governmental entities such as schools, cities, villages, etc.
 - The ROD land indexes have been scanned. An index is being created so they can be posted online.
 - The county budget program has been completely redesigned.
 - School records are being entered in a database.
- Commissioner District #1 Terry Sievers reported the Juvenile Services Building in Madison is twenty years old. To offset some of the expenses of the aging building they are assessing the member contract counties 25 cents per capita for five-years. The daily rates for contract counties went from \$145 to \$180 per day, the rates for non-contract counties went from \$270 to \$305 per day.
- Commissioner District #3 Jim Rabe reported that Wayne County’s share of Mental Health Services for FY22 was \$25,353, Region 4 Service match was \$94,866.62.
 - Road District 3 is working on building a new shop. The Village of Winside wants the property to be replatted as one piece.
- Commissioner District #2 Dean Burbach is working on the roads. Now that we have moisture, the roads the wind farm equipment traveled on are a challenge to keep passable.
 - The price of gravel is going up.

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: \$68,689.79; Advanced Consulting Engineering Services, CO \$4,215.19; Albin, Mark D., OE \$1,513.23; Antelope County Sheriff, OE \$6,650.00; Applied Connective Technologies, OE \$2,180.39; AT & T Mobility, OE \$40.04; Blood Pharmacy, OE \$112.71; Cardmember Service, SU, OE, CO \$120.67; Cardmember Service, SU \$183.75; Carroll Public Library, OE \$2,250.00; Consolidated Management Company, OE \$22.25; DAS State Accounting,

OE, ER \$195.76; Dept Correctional Svcs, OE \$2,800.85; Eakes Office Solutions, SU \$94.00; Eastern Nebraska Research, OE \$10,318.83; Election Systems & Software, OE \$2,223.78; Farmers Co-operative, MA \$127.99; Floor Maintenance, SU \$191.50; Government Forms & Supplies, SU \$54.00; Heartland Fire Protection Company, OE \$605.10; Hilltop Drugs ETC, OE \$456.22; Hometown Leasing, ER \$121.85; Lutt Oil, MA \$1,086.87; MIPS, SU \$130.64; NACO, OE \$180.00; NE Association of County Clerks, Register of Deeds, & Election Commissioners, OE \$50.00; Nebraska Association of County Engineers, Highway Superintendents, and Surveyors, OE \$50.00; Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center, OE \$100.00; Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, OE \$78.62; One Office Solution, SU \$136.59; Physicians Laboratory PC, OE \$2,035.00; Tacos & More, OE \$19.98; U.S. Cellular, OE \$425.96; UHS Premium Billing, PS \$81,565.57; VISA, OE \$45.02; Warnemunde Insurance and Real Estate Agency, Inc., OE \$917.00; Waste Connections of Nebraska, OE \$156.01; Wattier, Patti, OE \$475.00; Wayne County Court, OE \$185.00; Wayne County Sheriff, OE \$192.50; Wayne Public Library, OE \$6,500.00; Wayne Veterinary Clinic, P.C., OE \$228.50; Wayne, City of, OE \$7,164.31; Winside Public Library, OE \$4,250.00; Woehler Trailer Court LLC, OE \$700.00; Nebraska Bank Acct# 244-220, PS \$15,677.11; Aflac, PS \$596.82; Delta Dental of Nebraska, PS \$371.23; First Concord Benefits Group, PS \$2,979.98; Legal Shield, PS \$42.85; Nebraska Department of Revenue, PS \$5,973.11; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$7,693.67; Vision Service Plan, PS \$249.26; Washington National Insurance Company, PS \$55.10; Wayne County Treasurer, PS \$1,374.26;

County Road Fund: Payroll & Reimbursements: \$38,779.50; Advanced Consulting Engineering Services, CO \$2,854.58; Backus Sand & Gravel, MA \$20,384.78; Bauer Built, RP \$5,871.71; Cardmember Service, RP \$148.84; Carroll, Village of, OE \$110.60; Farmers Co-operative, MA, RP \$1,511.47; Fredrickson Oil Company, MA \$2,796.62; Grossenburg Implement, RP \$166.54; Mainelli Wagner & Associates, Inc., \$38,247.50; Martin Marietta Materials, MA \$2,170.27; Matteo Sand & Gravel Co., Inc., MA \$36,648.43; Midwest Services and Sales Co., RP \$270.00; NMC Exchange LLC, RP \$4,193.50; Northeast Glass, RP \$210.00; Pomp's Tire Service Inc., RP \$183.70; RDO Truck Centers, RP \$119.79; Titan Machinery, RP \$221.25; Wayne Auto Parts, RP, SU, OE, MA \$924.79; Wayne County Treasurer, CO \$1.00; Winside, Village of, OE \$271.17; Nebraska Bank Acct# 244-220, PS \$8,078.56; 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 \$3,619.64; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$4,341.60; Vision Service Plan, PS \$79.44; Washington National Insurance Company, PS \$75.40; Wayne County Treasurer, PS \$884.75;

Snow Removal & Equipment Fund: Marx Repair LLC, CO \$139,500.00

The meeting was adjourned.

Debra Finn, Wayne County Clerk