

Wayne, Nebraska
July 18, 2023

The Wayne County Board of Equalization meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Rabe at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 18, 2023, in the Public Safety Annex. Chairman Rabe, Members Terry Sievers and Dean Burbach, Assessor Dawn Duffy, Deputy Attorney Teri Lamplot, Sheriff Jason Dwinell, and Clerk Debra Finn were present. Notice of this meeting was published in the Wayne Herald, a legal newspaper, on July 13, 2023. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted and accessible to the public.

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

Duffy reported that no real estate valuation protests were filed for 2023. There was an increase in ag land, residential and commercial valuations, but the letter mailed with the valuation notices helped answer many questions. The board commended Duffy and her staff on a job well done.

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 Dean Burbach at 9:03 a.m. on Tuesday, July 18, 2023, in the Public Safety Annex. Chairman Burbach, Members Terry Sievers and Jim Rabe, Deputy Attorney Teri Lamplot, Sheriff Jason Dwinell, and Clerk Debra Finn were present. Notice of this meeting was published in the Wayne Herald, a legal newspaper, on July 6, 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 July 6, 2023, as printed in the Commissioners Record
- b. Approve payroll, with each commissioner abstaining from approving a personal claim
- c. Approve fee report: Debra Finn, County Clerk, June Fees \$14,943.75
- d. Approve the addition of Cusip 78442GJF4 for \$2,100,000 as securities pledged by BankFirst

The consent agenda was approved on a motion made by Rabe and a second made 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.

Emergency Manager Nic Kemnitz will have the EOC trailer at the fairgrounds during the Wayne County Fair. The Fair Board had new electrical hook-ups installed for the trailer. Emergency Managers from Cedar, Cuming, and Dixon Counties will provide additional support in the evenings.

Kemnitz and others met with a representative of Advexure out of Norfolk. They discussed the different types of drones and their capabilities. The public safety drone costs about \$17,000; the public link costs \$6,000. They recommend at least four batteries and a battery charger. The operator will need a pilot's license and online training. Generally, the online training is three weeks, followed by a test in Omaha. You will need someone operating the drone and a spotter. The consensus was that we would complete the training before purchasing a drone.

Clerk of District Court Deb Allemann-Dannelly presented a resignation letter effective September 8, 2023. Dannelly requested permission to update her computer before retiring and presented a quote for \$911.00. A motion was made by Sievers and seconded by Rabe to approve up to \$911.00 for the purchase of a new computer. Roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

County Attorney Amy Miller and Christy Jorgensen reported frustration with the tech service they received from Applied Connective Technologies. They requested that additional memory be added to a computer. After four service trips, and deep scratches left on their office desk, they were told to get a new computer. Miller went outside the county's contract and hired a separate technician to work on her computer. Miller requested \$600 for a B-Link computer and the separate technician's bill. A motion was made by Sievers and seconded by Rabe to approve \$600 for the computer and technician expenses. Roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

Rob Latimer of Summit Carbon Solutions reported that the pipeline diameter will now be 8" changing to 12" at the pump station going north. Summit has acquired 22.12 miles of the easements needed in Wayne County, which is 59%. Easement payments to Wayne County landowners total 2.3 million.

The Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration, Army Corps of Engineers, Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy, and Nebraska Games and Parks Commission control Summit Carbon Solutions.

Common misconceptions regarding the Summit Carbon Pipeline Projects are that CO2 is a new technology, that trucking is a better transport option, that the pipeline will use an exponential amount of water at the capture facility, that landowners will be unable to acquire liability insurance for the pipeline on their land, that Summit has not been willing to work with landowners, and that that Summit can sell their easement to another entity that will use the pipeline for something other than CO2.

Highway Superintendent Mark Casey stated that the three houses would be moved at the end of the week due to a weather delay.

Assistant Highway Superintendent Kyle Huff was congratulated on his new position. Huff accompanied Casey to Mainelli Wagner's office in Lincoln. They discussed the One-Year Plan, noting progress needed in all projects.

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

- a. #23-5 Approved \$375 for The Wakefield Party on June 3, 2023, sponsored by Wakefield Progressive.
- b. #23-6 Approved \$375 for The Wakefield Market May 18, July 20, Sep 21, and Nov 25, 2023, sponsored by Wakefield Progressive and Little Red Hen Theatre.
- c. #23-7 Approved \$2,000 for the radio advertising for the Wayne County Fair July 27-30, 2023, sponsored by the Wayne County Agricultural Society.
- d. #23-8 Approved \$2,000 for printing fair books for the Wayne County Fair on July 27-30th, sponsored by the Wayne County Agricultural Society.
- e. #23-9 Approved \$2000 for Bressler-Fest Music in the Park Series, July 9, September 10th, 17th, 24th, and October 2, 2023, sponsored by WAED.
- f. #23-10 Approved \$500 for PIPPIN, presented by The Little Red Hen Theatre on July 13 – 16, 2023.
- g. #23-11 Approved \$500 for Dueling Pianos, presented by The Little Red Hen Theatre on Oct 26, 2023.
- h. #23-12 Approved \$500 for A Christmas Carol, presented by The Little Red Theatre on December 8-10, 2023.
- i. #23-13 Approved \$2,000 for Cruise Main in Wayne on the 3rd Friday of May, June, July, August, and September 2023.
- j. #23-14 Approved \$1,000 for Wakefest on August 19th, sponsored by Wakefield Community Club and Wakefield Youth Rec.
- k. #23-15 Approved \$500 for the Crowing Motors Car Show on July 9th, which WAED sponsored.
- l. #23-16 Approved \$2000 for Wayne Chicken Show on July 8th, sponsored by WAED.
- m. #23-17 Approved \$2,000 for Henoween on July 7, 2023, sponsored by WAED.

A motion was made by Sievers and seconded by Rabe to enter Executive Session at 10:17 a.m. to discuss personnel. Attendees were Sievers, Rabe, Burbach, Miller, and Finn—roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

A motion was made by Sievers and seconded by Rabe to reconvene the open session at 10:59 a.m. Roll call vote: Sievers, Rabe, Burbach – aye; motion carried.

A general discussion on budget preparation was held. Changing pay raises and vacation cycles from calendar year to fiscal year, raises for 2024, and longevity pay were discussed. No action was taken. Finn agreed to prepare the budget for the board.

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

General Fund: Payroll & Reimbursements: \$71,469.53; Advanced Consulting Engineering Services, CO \$80.00; Antelope County Sheriff, OE \$6,810.00; Appeara, OE \$626.54; Applied Connective Technologies, OE \$3,779.00;

Cardmember Service, OE \$98.00; Claussen & Sons Irrigation, Inc., OE \$762.80; DAS State Accounting, OE, ER \$86.88; Eakes Office Solutions, SU, ER \$547.24; Egley, James, OE \$119.65; Farmers Co-operative, MA \$319.89; Fastwyre Broadband Dept. #3072, OE \$2,473.04; Floor Maintenance, SU \$55.31; Hometown Leasing, ER \$121.85; Interstate All Battery Center, SU \$259.60; Jaeger, Daniel, PS \$20.00; JB Mart, Inc., MA \$14.50; Junck, Casey, PS \$20.00; Krysl, Emma J., OE \$12.65; Lutt Oil, MA, OE \$1,037.28; Madison County District Court, OE \$50.00; Madison County Treasurer, OE \$19,605.10; Mundil, Daryl, PS \$20.00; Northeast Nebraska Juvenile, OE \$2,397.50; Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, OE \$76.71; One Office Solution, SU \$157.42; Region IV, Inc., OE \$2,677.25; Security Shredding Services, OE \$35.00; State Nebraska Bank, SU \$82.22; Stover, Ryan, OE \$169.65; Stratton, Delay, Doele, Carlson & Buetner, OE \$6,761.42; Sturgis, Daniel, OE \$119.65; UHS Premium Billing, PS \$92,456.35; U.S. Cellular, OE \$424.83; United States Treasury, PS \$683.65; Warnemunde Insurance and Real Estate Agency, Inc., OE \$4,352.00; Waste Connections of Nebraska, OE \$156.50; Wattier, Patti, OE \$475.00; Wayne County Clerk of Dist Court, OE \$101.00; Wayne Herald/Morning Shopper, OE \$235.64; Wayne, City of, OE \$7,164.31; White Dog Lawn Service, OE \$1,800.00; Woehler Trailer Court LLC, ER \$700.00; Nebraska Bank Acct# 244-220, PS \$15,911.31; Aflac, PS \$596.82; Delta Dental of Nebraska, PS \$374.39; First Concord Benefits Group, PS \$2,879.98; Legal Shield, PS \$52.85; Nebraska Department of Revenue, PS \$5,439.11; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$7,969.60; Vision Service Plan, PS \$305.43; Washington National Insurance Co., PS \$55.10; Wayne County Treasurer, PS \$1,489.84;

County Road Fund: Payroll & Reimbursements: \$39,570.10; Appera, OE \$47.75; Backus Sand & Gravel, MA \$78,000.63; Carroll, Village of, OE \$306.30; Farmers Co-operative, RP, SU, MA \$21,984.68; Grossenburg Implement, SU \$8.64; Hansen Brothers Parts & Service, Inc., RP \$1,014.90; John’s Welding & Tool, LLC, SU \$62.94; Kelly Supply Company, RP \$146.66; Lutt Oil, RP \$25.00; Matteo Sand & Gravel Co., Inc., MA \$3,356.48; Menard’s, SU \$64.90; Nebraska Harvestore Systems, Inc., RP \$263.20; NMC Exchange LLC, RP, MA \$6,781.15; Wayne Auto Parts, RP, SU \$468.44; Winside, Village of, OE \$41.00; Nebraska Bank Acct# 244-220, PS \$8,060.03; Aflac, PS \$351.91; Delta Dental of Nebraska, PS \$397.13; First Concord Benefits Group, PS \$1,360.00; Nationwide Retirement Solutions, PS \$40.00; Nebraska Department of Revenue, PS \$2,398.26; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$4,430.54; Vision Service Plan, PS \$89.77; Washington National Insurance Company, PS \$75.40; Wayne County Treasurer, PS \$942.37

Lodging Tax Fund: Tacos & More, OE \$62.79; Wayne Herald/Morning Shopper, OE \$105.00

The meeting was adjourned.

Debra Finn, Wayne County Clerk

State of Nebraska)
County of Wayne) ss.

I, the undersigned, County Clerk of Wayne County, Nebraska, hereby certify that all of the subjects included in the attached proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting of July 18, 2023, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk; that such subjects were contained in such agenda for at least 24 hours before said meeting; that the said minutes of the meeting of the County Commissioners of the County of Wayne were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and before the next convened meeting of said body.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 27th day of July 2023.

Debra Finn, County Clerk