

The regular Chase County Commissioner meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 22, 2022. Present were commissioners Jacci Brown, Duane Dinnel; county clerk Debra Clark, deputy county attorney Rory Roundtree; and commissioner elect Kurt Bernhardt. Dennis Kunnemann is absent.

Notice of the meeting was given by posting on Thursday, November 17th. Notice was posted at the courthouse, Imperial post office, Imperial city office, Wauneta Crossroads and Walgren's grocery store. An agenda was kept current and available in the office of the county clerk. The agenda and open meeting act are posted.

Jacci Brown moved to approve the minutes of the November 8th meeting. Duane Dinnel seconded. Jacci-yes; Duane-yes; Dennis-absent; motion carried.

Duane Dinnel moved to approve Resolution 2022 – 28 to replace/amend Resolution 2022-22 passed on October 11, 2022 concerning road salaries. Jacci Brown seconded. Duane-yes; Jacci-yes; Dennis-absent; motion carried. This amendment adds language concerning temporary road employee wages.

RESOLUTION 2022 - 28

A resolution intended to replace/amend Resolution 22-22 passed on October 11, 2022 concerning road salaries.

WHEREAS, the Chase County Board of Commissioners hereby resolves as follows:

WHEREAS, the County of Chase employs certain employees, further identified herein by position title in the Department of Roads for Chase County, Nebraska and hereby seeks to establish wages for road employees from the date of adoption as identified below; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Roads has three (3) positions that are affected by this Resolution, to wit: Grader Operator, Weed Superintendent, and Truck Driver; and

WHEREAS, the wage policy for salaries of employees, as identified by position herein are established as follows:

1. New/probationary employees shall be paid \$18.00 per hour.
2. After a satisfactory completion of a 90 day probationary period, the new employee's wage shall be increased to \$18.50 per hour.
3. Wage increases for the road department are normally given in July. The new employee shall receive a review for a determination of a salary increase, if they have passed their probationary period.
4. The top wage for all road employees shall be capped at \$23.50 per hour. Once the cap is reached, the employee wages will increase each year by the social security cost of living adjustment (COLA).

WHEREAS, there may be times when temporary help is required in the road department. Temporary full-time and temporary part-time employees are those who are hired to work for a temporary period of time (normally not exceeding six months) or on a temporary project or work assignment. Temporary employees may work full-time or part-time, but are not entitled to any county benefits other than those required by law. The county board wishes to set a separate wage for temporary employees. There is no minimum, but their pay should not exceed \$25.00 per hour. They will still be required to be e-verified and fill out all paperwork required for employment with the county.

NOW THEREFORE, the County of Chase hereby resolves this to be the policy of the County to establish the wages for road employees as identified herein.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 22nd day of November, 2022 by the County of Chase, Nebraska.

s/Jacci L. Brown, Chairman

ATTEST: s/Debra K. Clark, Chase County Clerk

Nebraska Department of Transportation mailed a master agreement regarding land survey corner preservation, along with a signing resolution. An explanation document was also included. Jacci Brown moved to table signing. Duane Dinnel seconded. Jacci-yes; Duane-yes; Dennis-absent; motion carried.

Karen Baker dropped in during open forum time. She wanted to make sure it was still okay to use a room at the Extension building for Juvenile Diversion meeting with counselor. The board indicated it was okay.

Discussion on advertising the road positions. This is currently costing the county \$184.50 a week. The board indicated they wanted to stop the current advertising in the newspaper at this time. The ads are not bringing in any applications. Other options will be looked into.

The Imperial Community Center had requested the board approve Barb Hogsett as a new board member for the center. Discussion was held. The board feels these positions need to be advertised so the public can be aware. They also requested the center post a notice of the position in their front window. The board directed an ad be put in the newspaper concerning the board position. No action taken on agenda item.

Treasurer, Cindy Schoenberger joined the meeting. There has been an overpayment of inheritance tax as per the order redetermining same in PR 21-2. Jacci Brown moved to refund the \$8,093.01 overpayment of inheritance tax. Duane Dinnel seconded. Jacci-yes; Duane-yes; Dennis-absent; motion carried.

Duane Dinnel moved to continue with the Christmas gift certificates for employees. Jacci Brown seconded. Duane-yes; Jacci-yes; Dennis-absent; motion carried. Full-time employees will receive \$50.00 gift certificates to a Chase County grocery store of their choice. Part-time will receive \$25.00 certificates.

Discussion was held concerning county benefits during a leave of absence without pay. COBRA insurance rates are 2% above standard. Need to be shown as terminated with BCBS due to reduction in work hours. They will then be offered COBRA. They can be reinstated upon return to work.

Imperial Community Service minutes for October and November were reviewed.

A list of claims was provided prior to the meeting and at the meeting for consideration. Duane Dinnel moved to approve claims as submitted for payment. Jacci Brown seconded. Duane-yes; Jacci-yes; Dennis-absent; motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

AFFILIATED BENEFITS CONSULTANTS INC	ADM.FEE	\$	40.00
AFLAC	ACCT# 17163	\$	469.14
AFLAC (AFTER TAX)	ACCT# 17163	\$	17.75
AMERITAS LIFE IN.	GROUP# 412428	\$	47.30
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	EMPE RET	\$	8,432.61
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES LLC	INV 183959	\$	472.48
AT & T MOBILITY (FIRSTNET)	SHERIFF	\$	568.32

BLACK HILLS ENERGY	7014419167	\$	185.07
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF NEBRASKA	EMPR HEALTH IN	\$	26,816.81
CARTER, KARON DENISE	9 DAYS @ 80.00	\$	720.00
CHASE CO TREASURER/CAFETERIA REIMB.	EMPE MEDICAL R	\$	150.03
CHASE COUNTY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	INV 10013854	\$	103.00
CHASE COUNTY FAIR AND EXPO (DONATE)	NOV.MAINTENANC	\$	500.00
CHASE COUNTY TREASURER	INTEREST OWED	\$	156.16
COCHRAN, MELISSA	SORTKWIK	\$	14.62
COLONIAL LIFE	(BCN) E3674389	\$	66.82
DAN'S R US SANITATION	INV 9474831	\$	155.96
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	INV-1343586	\$	156.32
DICKINSON LAND SURVEYORS	INV 22-055(2)	\$	1,174.50
EAKES, INC	INV 8597724-0	\$	192.26
EFTPS	FEDERAL TAXES	\$	15,685.20
ELECTION POLLING PLACES	GN22	\$	300.00
ELECTION WORKERS	GN22	\$	3,945.15
ESKEW, BILLY	DEC.MILL GROUN	\$	137.34
FVFC	EM 102484	\$	2,509.95
GARCIA RAMIREZ, LYDIA YARELI	2 HOURS INTERP	\$	50.00
HARCHELROAD MOTORS INC	R/O 52020	\$	1,000.00
HILLS FAMILY FOODS SSH INC	SHERIFF	\$	139.75
HOMETOWN LEASING	LEASE 32795602	\$	84.55
HUNT INSURANCE GROUP, INC.	INV# 5837	\$	3,500.64
IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY, INC	INV 22092475	\$	207.66
IMPERIAL COUNTRY FORD	INV 06115	\$	68.97
IMPERIAL REPUBLICAN	#10961 ASSESSO	\$	2,367.10
JAEGER, JANICE E	OCT.BOARD	\$	738.00
JOHNSON, NATHAN W.	TOWER RENT	\$	1,000.00
KEITH COUNTY SHERIFF	CR20-4 SERVICE	\$	24.00
LAKE MAC ASSESSMENT, LLC	INV# 1039	\$	28,000.00
LIEWER FUNERAL HOMES INC	OCT 6-R.BUCZEK	\$	3,350.00
LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	INV HO100122C	\$	5,125.00
MCI (SHRF BILLS)	8627939514	\$	78.12
MCNAIR AGENCY, INC	NOTARY BOND	\$	120.00
MIPS, INC.	INV 22110005	\$	78.45
MUELLER, KEVIN	TOUCH SCREEN	\$	274.29
NACO	INV-202216130	\$	450.00
NACO (DUES)	INV# 20010742C	\$	1,617.93
NACO (REGS.)	NACO REG.CONV.	\$	150.00
NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	EMPE CHILD SUP	\$	320.00
NE STATE INCOME TAX	STATE TAXES	\$	2,171.16
NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT IN	INV 61799	\$	285.00
OPTUM BANK	EMPE HSA ACCOU	\$	183.00
PLATINUM CUSTOMS, LLC	INV 1807	\$	160.36
QUADIENT LEASING USA, INC.	CUST# 01016432	\$	216.27
S & S LOCK AND KEY	INV 1081	\$	890.50
SCHINDLER ELEVATOR CORP	INV-8106090780	\$	1,132.91
SCHOENHOLZ, HEATHER (LPN)	NOV. IMMZ	\$	135.96
SCOTTIES POTTIES	INV 841300	\$	300.00
SECURITY CAMERA WAREHOUSE	INV-3922	\$	1,092.50
SMPC, LLC	INV 1469	\$	842.00
SOUTHWEST PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	915527001	\$	169.40
SPADY CONSTRUCTION	INV 5431	\$	127.47
U S BANK CORPORATE PAYMENT SYSTEMS	ACCT #---9319	\$	816.84

WALGREN'S SUPERMARKET	ACCT 5632	\$	3.59	
WAUNETA CROSSROADS, LLC	177066	\$	211.28	
NET PAYROLL	SERVICES	\$	45,853.46	
GENERAL FUND TOTAL				\$ 166,352.95
<u>ROAD FUND</u>				
AFLAC	ACCT# 17163	\$	39.46	
AMERITAS LIFE IN.	GROUP# 412428	\$	5.95	
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	EMPE RET	\$	872.31	
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	7250650937	\$	255.18	
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF NEBRASKA	EMPE HEALTH IN	\$	850.85	
BOK FINANCIAL	AGENT FEE	\$	220.00	
CHASE CO TREASURER/CAFETERIA REIMB.	EMPE MEDICAL R	\$	40.00	
CHASE COUNTY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	INV 10013854	\$	309.00	
DAN'S R US SANITATION	INV 9474588	\$	56.45	
EFTPS	FEDERAL TAXES	\$	2,641.71	
FVFC	ROAD 102489	\$	3,668.80	
GB AUTO SERVICE INC.	INV 2861	\$	44.28	
IMPERIAL REPUBLICAN	COMMISSIONERS	\$	2,055.30	
MITTEN INC.	INV 04057	\$	28,554.82	
MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT CO INC	JD 772G GRADER	\$	275,363.00	
NE STATE INCOME TAX	STATE TAXES	\$	673.88	
NEBRASKA MACHINERY COMPANY	INV CUI1147034	\$	668.05	
SAPP BRO PETROLEUM INC	IN3986776	\$	4,977.00	
U S BANK CORPORATE PAYMENT SYSTEMS	10/11 NI NSP	\$	46.50	
WALGREN'S SUPERMARKET	ACCT 5632	\$	9.89	
WAUNETA CROSSROADS, LLC	176679	\$	180.37	
WAUNETA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	ACCT 509	\$	474.94	
WOLF CHEVROLET BUICK OF IMPERIAL	R/O 32-76	\$	222.66	
NET PAYROLL	SERVICES	\$	14,785.20	
ROAD FUND TOTAL				\$ 337,015.60
<u>LODGING TAX FUND</u>				
HICKMAN, NORMA J.	NOV.SERVICE	\$	300.00	
LODGING TAX FUND TOTAL				\$ 300.00
<u>E-911 FUND</u>				
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	308-196-4237-	\$	34.19	
E-911 FUND TOTAL				\$ 34.19
<u>ROAD PROJECT BOND FUND</u>				
BOK FINANCIAL	INT.12/15/2022	\$	43,030.00	
ROAD PROJECT BOND FUND TOTAL				\$ 43,030.00
<u>AMBULANCE FUND</u>				
AIRGAS USA, LLC	INV 9992599414	\$	937.65	
ARELLANO, ELIZABETH	NOV.SERVICE	\$	37.90	
AT & T MOBILITY (FIRSTNET)	AMBULANCE	\$	838.18	
BITTNER, WILLIAM	NOV SERVICE	\$	68.50	
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	INV 84755705	\$	145.16	
FVFC	AMB 102483	\$	939.76	
GREENE, TIMMIE D.	NOV SERVICE	\$	217.40	
HUBL, BROOKE	NOV.SERVICE	\$	51.60	
HUNT, GARY K.	NOV.SERVICE	\$	60.70	
IMPERIAL COUNTRY FORD	INV 06028	\$	322.60	
KLEIN, TYLER	NOV.SERVICE	\$	38.70	
KLEIN, LEANNE L.	NOV.SERVICE	\$	59.20	
KLENTZ, MELISA K.	NOV.SERVICE	\$	49.50	
KUNTZELMAN, ELDON	NOV.SERVICE	\$	165.80	

MARIS, JAYDEN	NOV.SERVICE	\$	51.60	
MUTHS, JOLENE D.	NOV.SERVICE	\$	38.70	
PRAIRIE STATES COMMUNICATIONS SERVI	INV 28379	\$	63.75	
RICHARDSON, RANAE	NOV.SERVICE	\$	58.40	
WAUNETA CROSSROADS, LLC	176781	\$	143.23	
AMBULANCE FUND TOTAL				\$ 4,288.33
GRAND TOTAL ALL CLAIMS				\$ 551,021.07

Rory Roundtree, having reviewed the information from the NDOT previously tabled, assured the board it would be okay to approve. Duane Dinnel moved to take signing of the NDOT papers off the table. Jacci Brown seconded. Duane-yes; Jacci-yes; Dennis-absent; motion carried.

Jacci Brown moved to approve Resolution 22-29 adopting and approving the execution of a master agreement with NDOT for county survey services. Duane Dinnel seconded. Jacci-yes; Duane-yes; Dennis-absent; motion carried. Resolution and agreement were signed by the chairman.

RESOLUTION 22-29

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A MASTER AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OF THE STATE OF NEBRASKA FOR COUNTY SURVEY SERVICES

Be it resolved by the Chairperson of the Board of the County of Chasse, Nebraska, that:

1. The County shall enter into a 5-year Master Agreement with the Nebraska Department of Transportation concerning a Process for County to Provide Survey Services for Highway Projects within the boundaries of Chase County
2. The Chairperson of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement on behalf of the County of Chasse and the County Clerk is authorized to Attest said execution.
3. This resolution will be marked Exhibit "A" and a copy attached to each Original Agreement.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 22ND DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2022.

s/Jacci L. Brown – Chairperson of the Board

ATTEST: s/Debra K. Clark – County Clerk

Board would like the courthouse steps and road abandonment issues removed from the unfinished business part of the agenda.

Sealed bids were opened at 9:00 a.m. for 37 mobile radios and 2 repeaters. Request for bids was advertised October 26th thru November 16th. Only one bid has been received. The bid from Prairie States Communications is \$65,567.64 for the radios and installs and \$21,360.00 for the 2 repeaters.

Jacci Brown moved to accept the bids for the radios and repeaters. Duane Dinnel seconded. Jacci-yes; Duane-yes; Dennis-absent; motion carried. The emergency manager was asked to provide surplus sheets for the old radios at the next meeting.

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m. The next regular meeting will be on a MONDAY, December 12th.

Debra K. Clark, Chase County Clerk

CHASE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Duane Dinnel

Duane Dinnel – Commissioner District #1

Jacci L. Brown

Jacci L. Brown – Commissioner District #2 - Chairman

was absent

Dennis Kunnemann – Commissioner District #3

ATTEST:

Debra K. Clark

Debra K. Clark – Chase County Clerk