

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
KEARNEY COUNTY, NEBRASKA
September 19, 2023 – 9:30 A.M

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Kearney County, NE was held September 19, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. in the Board of Commissioners’ Room of the Courthouse in Minden, NE. Present were Chairman Brent Stewart and Board Members Jason Sinsel, James Miller, Nathan Avery, Heath Hofstetter and Larry Landstrom. Absent was Robert Swanson. Also present were County Clerk Myra Johnson, Scott White Co. Sheriff, Craig Lupkes Bldg & Grds Supr./Emerg. Mgt. Director., Randy Smith, Hwy Supt. Jody A. Payne Co. Treas. and Cindy Ramsey of the Minden Courier. Detailed Minutes from the Board of Commissioners Meeting are available for inspection at the County Clerk’s Office.

The Board of Commissioners took the following action:

- Approved minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting on September 5, 2023.
- Approved Bills and Claims. (See below).
- Met with Craig Lupkes Bldg & Gr. Supr. and Chris Kesterson from Schindler Elevators to review a quote for updating the elevator in the Courthouse. The current elevator is 30 years old. Because of the cost to update the elevator, the Board directed Mr. Lupkes to move forward with the bidding process. Mr. Lupkes also presented an estimate for automatic locks for the Courthouse doors at \$27,000. He also discussed the pop machine in the Courthouse. The distributor does not want to maintain the machine as we do not sell enough pop. Because of the age of the machine we could buy it at a very low cost. The Board also directed him to check on prices for a machine with bottles instead of cans.
- Jody A. Payne, County Treas. presented the Annual Report Real Estate Taxes delinquent 2 yrs or more and Treas. verification of Sheriff’s Distress Warrants Return. Also a resolution was adopted to Strike Uncollected Personal Property Tax from 2022 Delinquent Tax List.
- Met with Randy Smith, Hwy Supt. Approved agreement and adopted resolution for Project HSIP-STWD(203) with the State of Nebraska concerning road signs. Open bids for a Rubber Track Skid Loader. Bids were received from: Landmark Impl. Minden, NE - John Deere 2024-325G w/trade \$45,100.00; Landmark Impl. Minden, NE - John Deere 2023-331G w/trade \$54,420.00; Murphy Tractor Grand Island, NE -John Deere 2024-325G w/trade \$46,750.00; Titan Machinery Kearney, NE - New Holland 2023 NH-C337 w/trade \$49,005.61; Nebraska Machinery Doniphan, NE Caterpillar 2023-259D3-NEW w/trade \$51,700.00; Nebraska Machinery Doniphan, NE -Caterpillar 2023-289D3-NEW w/trade \$63,950.00; Nebraska Machinery Doniphan, NE - Caterpillar 2022-289D3-Preowned w/trade \$53,000.00. the Board approved the John Deere 325G from Landmark for \$45,100.00.
- Met with Beth Ferrell, Attorney at NACO for an update on legislative issues and workshops coming up.
- Discussed the County Veterans Memorial that is being built by the Minden Legion/VFW. No action was taken..
- Adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:15 a.m.

/s/ Brent Stewart, Chairman
Kearney County
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

/s/ Myra Johnson
Kearney County Clerk

GENERAL FUND

Anderson Jewelry	Apprec. Gift	\$145.00
Melodie Bellamy, Co. Atty.	Cell ph.	30.00
Bethany Home	Sv.	2,160.00
Black Hills Energy	Sv.	38.60
Buffalo Co. Sheriff	Fees	37.50

Camelot Trans. Inc.	Sv.	300.00
Carpenter & Skalka Court Reptg Inc.	Sv.	47.25
Comm. Action Ptnsp. of Mid-NE	Bus	893.14
Dier, Osborn, Cox, PC, LLO	Sv.	437.00
Eakes	Su.	69.39
Shawn Eatherten Atty.	Consult Fee	690.00
First Concord Benefits Grp, L.L.C.	Fees/Self-Fund Ded.	924.62
Franklin Co. Sheriff	Fees	45.66
Google LLC	Sv.	417.60
Great Plains Comm., Inc.	Sv.	87.47
Heritage Bank AP ACH-IT	Microsoft Renew	106.99
Jim's OK Tire Store L.L.C.	Rep.	60.00
Kearney Co. Court	Sv.	183.00
Kearney Co. Health Services	Sv.	1,258.50
Kearney Co. Public Defender	Exp.	1,205.34
Kearney Co. Road Dept.	Fuel	1,991.44
Lieske, Lieske & Ensz PC LLO	Sv.	47.51
Craig Lupkes, Bldg.and Grds Supr.	Su.	43.60
Mason's Supermarket	Su.	183.48
Bryan McQuay, Dep. Co.Atty.	Cell Ph.	20.00
Minden Hdwe	Su.	104.11
Minden Lbr & Concrete Co.	Su.	1,001.17
MIPS Inc.	Sv.	101.03
NE Interlocal Risk Mgmt Assoc.	CPR/AED Manuals	650.00
NE Assoc. of Co. Officials	Regis.	55.00
Pedley Drug Store	Su.	16.89
Phelps Co. Sheriff's Office	Fees	1,144.82
Platte Valley Comm.	Sv.	251.25
Quill Corp.	Su.	226.76
Soarin Group, LLC	Sv.	157.00
State of NE DAS – Central Fina.	Sv.	150.00
Thomas Stewart, Atty at Law	Sv.	483.00
Syndicate Publ.	Publ.	760.69
Vigilnet America LLC	Sv.	125.10
Melanie Young, Atty	Consult Fees	716.86
	TOTAL	\$17,366.77

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

A-1 Refrig. Htg & A/C	Sv.	\$620.79
Carquest/Landmark Impl.	Pts	32.44
CHS – Petro Direct Ship	Pts	229.72
Tracy A. Donley	Mowing	70.00
First Concord Benefits Grp LLC	Self-Fund Ded.	1,106.48
Mid-NE Aggregate Inc.	Gravel	4,798.94
Midwest Petro.Equip. LLC	Su.	39.30
NAPA	Su./Pts	155.21
NMC Exch. LLC	Pts/Mnt.	8,082.95
Platte Valley Comm.	Sv.	47.50
	TOTAL	\$15,183.33

911 WIRELESS SERVICE FUND

CenturyLink	Sv.	\$71.07
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TOTAL \$71.07

COMMUNICATIONS FUND

CenturyLink	Sv.	\$9.69
Great Plains Comm., Inc.	Sv.	135.00
NE Tech & Telecomm.	Sv.	507.33
State of NE DAS – Central Fin.	Sv.	<u>30.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$682.02