

REGULAR MEETING  
 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
 KEARNEY COUNTY, NEBRASKA  
 February 20, 2024 – 9:30 A.M

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Kearney County, NE was held February 20, 2024 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, Robert Swanson, Nathan Avery, Heath Hofstetter and Larry Landstrom. Also present were County Clerk Myra Johnson, Craig Lupkes Bldg & Grds Supr., Randy Smith, Hwy Supt., Jody Payne Co. Treasurer, Melodie Bellamy Co. Attorney 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 February 6, 2024.
- Approved Bills and Claims. (See below).
- Reviewed the NIRMA Annual Report for 2023.
- Met with Craig Lupkes Bldg & Grds Supr. and Noah Sorensen from RW Sorensen Const. concerning the time line for the remodel of the bathrooms in the Courthouse. The men’s restroom is finished except for the mirrors and divider panels. The mirrors will be installed and the panels have not been shipped yet. The Board suggested they put up temporary panels in the men’s restroom so that they can start on the women’s restroom until the panels arrive.
- Met with representatives from Berggren Architects to discuss the repairs needed for the dome of the Courthouse. Structural and weather tight repairs are needed. This building is unique in the structure of the dome. They are working on finance options and if the repairs can be done in stages. Some possibilities for financing are tax credits, grants, historical value, donations etc.
- Adopted a resolution presented by Charles McGraw, Transportation Director for RYDE Transit for funding from Kearney County for FY 24/25 for \$21,950.00.
- Met with Rhonda Herrick, Extension Educator. She presented her Annual Report.
- Met with Randy Smith, Hwy Supt. to discuss equipment repairs as costs keep going up.
- Adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:30 a.m.

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

ATTEST:

/s/ Myra Johnson  
 Kearney County Clerk

**GENERAL FUND**

Joe Anderson, Weed Supt.	Su.	\$35.46
Anderson, Klein, Brewster & Brandt	Sv.	2,587.50
Melodie Bellamy, Co. Atty.	Google/Su.	12.23
3N’s Inc, Bills Plbg	Sv.	52.00
Black Hills Energy	Sv.	626.26
Buffalo Co. Sheriff	Sv.	6.00
Central Plains Valuation, LLC	Sv.	5,800.00
County Vet. Service Assoc.	Regis.	60.00
Dewald Deaver L’Heureux PC LLO	Sv.	1,214.32
Eakes	Su.	828.31
First Bank & Trust Co.	Su.	88.03
First Concord Benefits Grp LLC	Fees/Self-Fund Ded.	1,057.25
Shelly Gibbins, Ext. Office Mgr	Mil.	39.53
Gray Law Firm, LLC	Sv.	379.50

Great Plains Comm.	Sv.	93.77
Philip Heun, Vet. Serv. Officer	Mil./Ldg/Cell Ph.	793.58
Myra Johnson, Co. Clerk	Mil.	30.02
Kearney Co. Road Dept.	Fuel	1,336.23
Craig Lupkes, Bldg and Grds Super.	Su./Regis.	612.88
Lynn Peavey Co.	Su.	65.31
Mason's Supermarket	Su.	96.81
Menards	Su.	21.18
Minden Hdwe	Su.	76.19
Minden Lbr & Concrete Co.	Su.	34.95
MIPS Inc.	Su./Sv.	173.86
NE Assoc of Co. Clerks Reg of Deeds Elec.	Dues	50.00
NE State Patrol	2024 RMS Lic.	3,600.00
NE Weed Control Assoc.	Regis.	150.00
Pedley Drug Store	Su.	60.36
Phelps Co. Sheriff's Office	Fees	742.99
State of NE DAS – Central Fin.	Sv.	150.00
Thomas Stewart, Atty at Law	Sv.	626.00
Syndicate Publ.	Publ.	154.00
Thomson Reuters-West Publ. Corp.	Su.	292.00
U S Postal Serv.	Ptg	<u>68.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$22,014.52

**ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND**

Carquest/Landmark Impl.	Pts/Su.	\$1,236.53
Eakes	Su.	35.42
Grayson Tool Co.	Equip. Rep.	105.18
Kearney Co. Health Serv.	Sv.	105.00
Landmark Impl. Inc.	Pts	24.00
Medical Enterprises, Inc.	Sv.	75.00
Menards Store #3200 Kearney	Su.	141.15
Mid-NE Aggregate Inc.	Grav.	3,821.70
Miller & Assoc. Cons. Eng., P.C.	Services	747.40
Minden Hdwe	Su.	65.75
Minden Lbr & Concrete Co.	Su.s	42.00
NAPA	Pts/Su.	185.90
NMC Exch. LLC	Su./Fuel	624.02
Syndicate Publ.	Publ.	5.89
WPCI	Sv.	<u>55.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$7,269.94

**INHERITANCE TAX FUND**

Berggren Architects	Sv.	\$6,647.50
Rasmussen Mech. Serv. Inc.	Sv.	<u>218.98</u>
	TOTAL	\$6,866.48

**911 WIRELESS SERVICE FUND**

CenturyLink	Sv.	\$473.35
CenturyLink	Sv.	<u>71.07</u>
	TOTAL	\$544.42

**COMMUNICATIONS FUND**

CenturyLink	Sv.	\$9.69
Great Plains Comm.	Sv.	135.00
NE Tech & Telecomm.	Sv.	545.10
State of NE DAS – Central Fin.	Sv.	<u>30.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$719.79