

January 9, 2024

The Cedar County Commissioners met in the Boardroom of the Cedar County Courthouse at 8:30 am and the meeting was called to order by County Clerk per Statute 23-274 as advertised, with Craig Bartels, David McGregor and Dick Donner answering roll call. Also, present County Clerk David Dowling. Statement was made that open meetings laws are posted on the wall for public inspection.

County Clerk asked for a motion for chairman. Motion was made by Bartels and seconded by Donner to appoint David McGregor as chairman and Craig Bartels as vice chair. Voting Bartels, yes; Donner, yes; McGregor, yes motion carried.

Motion was made by Bartels and seconded by McGregor to approve the agenda. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Motion was made by Bartels and seconded by Donner to approve minutes for the last meeting. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Board member appointments were discussed and then a motion was made by Donner and seconded by Bartels to make the board appointments as follows; District One has Region IV Northstar Disabilities, Missouri River Advisory Group, and National Scenic River. District Two has Region IV Mental Health and Northeast Nebraska Public Health Board; District Three has Landfill and solid waste, Transit Bus, Goldenrod Hills, HUD and Northeast Area on Aging. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Motion was made by Bartels and seconded by McGregor to appoint Jessica Schmit to the vacated County Clerk position effective January 10, 2024. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Motion was then made by Donner and seconded by Bartels to retain the following appointments: Carla Schmidt as Road Supt. and also County Road Overseer; Manager; Kevin Garvin as Emergency Management and Communications Director; Bob Hamilton as part-time emergency under direction and supervision of EM, Kevin Garvin; Justin Heikes as part-time Weed Supt.; Tim Gobel as Zoning Administrator. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. Motion was made by McGregor and seconded by Donner to designate the Cedar County News, Laurel Advocate and Randolph Times and Cedar County Web Site as the legal newspapers for Cedar County. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Motion was made by Donner and seconded by McGregor to retain current time and days for meeting dates being the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 8:30 AM. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Motion was made by Bartels and seconded by Donner to approve the following legal holidays for 2024: January 1, New Years Day; Third Monday in January, Martin Luther King Day; Third Monday in February, Presidents Day; half day for Good Friday; Last Monday in May, Memorial Day; June 19th Juneteenth, July 4th, Independence Day; First Monday in September, Labor Day; Second Monday in October, Columbus Day; November 11th, Veterans Day; Fourth Thursday and Friday in November, Thanksgiving; December 25th, Christmas. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

LEGAL HOLIDAYS

January 1st	New Years Day
Third Monday in January	Martin Luther King Day
3rd Monday in February	Presidents Day
1/2 Day	Good Friday
Last Monday in May	Memorial Day
June 19th	Juneteenth
July 4th	Independence Day
1st Monday in September	Labor Day
2nd Monday in October	Columbus Day
November 11th	Veterans Day
4th Thursday in November	Thanksgiving
4th Friday in November	Day after Thanksgiving
December 25th	Christmas

Motion was then made by Donner and seconded by McGregor to set the mileage reimbursement rate at 67 cents per mile traveled doing county business as stated by the State Auditor's Office. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Motion was made by Donner and seconded by Bartels to approve the following depositories: Bank of Hartington; Citizens State Bank Belden; First State Bank of Randolph; Security Bank of Laurel, Coleridge, Hartington; Farmers & Merchants State Bank of Hartington; Cedar Security Bank Hartington, Fordyce and Wynot. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Road Supt., Carla Schmidt presented information to each board member for preparation of the one and six year road plan for 2024 with hearing to held in February. Carla then talked with the board on FEMA project from three years ago and that she is working on more paper work the she and the FEMA auditor is working on.

Zoning Administrator, Tim Gobel presented one building permit he granted to Dean Jansen for an addition to a machine shed. A list of building permits granted for the year was presented to the board for review.

Motion by Bartels and seconded by McGregor to approve tax correction as presented by Deputy Assessor, Janell Heikes for parcel 6027. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Monthly fee reports were reviewed from the various offices as presented to the board.

Treasurer, Jean Wiebelhaus talked to the board about accepting taxes on parcels in different amounts. Motion by Bartels and seconded by McGregor to direct the County Treasurer to not take partial payments on taxes. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

With no further business or agenda items the following claims were approved for payment and the meeting was adjourned.

GENERAL FUND: Total Salaries 195,376.45; Aflac 1,280.14; BCBS 61,729.49; Empower Retire 3,805.00; First Concord 1,703.49; Lincoln Natl Life 934.97; Nationwide Retire 50.00; NE Dept Rev 7,038.97; Retire Plans Div of Am 22,463.03; IRS 15,805.92; Soc Sec 29,490.73; Washington Ntl Ins 27.35; Appeara 96.72; AT & T 83.52; Avera Medical Group 226.00; Ben Beckman 23.14; Black Hills Energy 327.62; Bomgaars 174.11; CC Clerk Dist Court 890.05; CC Court 68.00; CC Hist Society 16,000.00; CKPPD 274.90; Cen Tec Cast Metal Prod 527.54; City of Hart 470.51; Climate Sys 1,126.50; Cummins Sales & Serv 1,667.79; D & J Variety 125.93; DAS 1,187.60; Dixon Co Clerk of Dist Court 179.44; Becky Dresden 52.40; Eakes 311.40; Family 1st Dental 646.00; Farmers Union 140.23; Feilmeier Elec 10,953.50; Folkers Bros 305.06; Foodtown 2,461.04; Gaylen Boettcher Baier PC 3,264.86; Kevin Garvin 228.63; GOV Connection 399.60; Govt Forms & Supp 107.96; Gr Am Leasing 81.51; Megan Hanefeldt 90.08; Hartelco 1,801.95; NHHS 186.00; Justin Heikes 801.06; Hilltop Drugs 15.46; Hiway 84 Auto 61.00; Hometown Leasing 732.61; Kennedy Pier 6,218.57; Amy Kleinschmit 9.60; Kruse True Val 149.46; Landmark Surveying 227.40; Mary Leise 52.40; Matthew Bender & Co 1,847.24; MIPS 3,587.36; NACO 3,835.01; NDEE 115.00; NPPD 1,900.31; NECC 424.00; NENE News 219.05; Sally Opfer 83.46; Overhead Door Co 348.75; Peitz GMC 32.97; Pomp's 31.80; Region 4 Behav Health 7,049.25; Roger Schwartz 12.00; Security Shredding 100.00; Steffen Drug 89.88; Kelly Steffen 414.00; Jackie Steffen 345.22; Patricia Steffen 300.45; US Bank 6,280.65; US Postal Serv 30,000.00; US Cell 194.44; Verizon 399.08; Visual Edge 18.30; Voyager 1,746.59; Voyager 61.93; Cara Wiebelhaus 10.48; Janet Wiechelmann 16.99; X-Pert Lawn 390.00.

Road Fund: Total Salaries 111,845.81; Aflac 649.04; BCBS 45,767.54; Empower Retire 275.00; First Concord 150.00; NE Dept Rev 4,162.47; Retire Plans Div of Am 12,312.68; IRS 9,425.23; Soc Sec 17,011.70; A-OX Weld 39.54; Appeara 375.74; Arnie's Ford 71.60; Avera 25.00; B's Enterp 5,027.50; Backus Sand 23,279.55; Black Hills Energy 592.35; Bomgaars 362.69; Boyer Ridge Mfg 635.66; Carhart 150.64; CAT 4,242.16; CKPPD 183.68; CKRW 71.28; Century Link 94.62; Christensen Well 22,707.12; City of Hart 90.69; City of Laurel 142.90; City of Rand 102.84; Col Weld 936.28; Dendinger Trucking 7,463.50; Farmer's Union 9,346.55; Filter Care 239.55; Folkers Bros 382.60; Fordyce Coop 252.44; Gill Hauling 25.32; GP Comm 134.88; Grossenburg Imp 16,084.37; Hansen Bros 7,457.51; Hansen Rpr 344.42; Hartelco 251.40; Hart Truck & Auto 277.19; Hefner Oil 9,764.84; Jerry's Serv 3,012.72; Kayton Int'l 138.50; Kellen & Streit 10,474.20; Knife River 5,855.85; Laurel Feed & Grain 1,500.00; Laurel True Val 378.00; Lawson Prod 795.94; Leiting Auto 329.95; LG Everist 12,000.94; Mainelli Wagner 60,705.00; David McGregor 59.85; Medical Enterp 105.00; Murphy Tractor 2,214.22; NPPD 138.66; NMC Exch 860.21; NE Glass 8,000.00; NNTC 48.11; Overhead Door 48,632.00; Patent Elec 1,360.00; Peitz GMC 392.07; P & E 4,794.29; Pomp's 1,497.65; Rand Farm Supp 3,751.63; Rath's 391.13; Schmitt Const 22,577.12; Spencer Quarries 3,639.83; TMA 111.80; Truck

Center Co 1,458.83; Truck-Trlr Sales 278.55; US Bank 73.23; US Cell 388.55; Village of Wynot 113.00; Wattier True Val 22.96; Wieb Serv 77.75; Wiechelman Rpr 2,495.56; Wynot Oil 13,964.05.

Bridge Fed Aid Fund: A&R Const 238,801.17.

Transit: Total Salaries 36,555.09; BCBS 7,378.53; First Concord 354.16; NE Dept Rev 897.08; Retire Plans Div of Am 4,022.47; IRS 1,612.29; Soc Sec 5,538.72; Appera 117.48; Nolan Becker 200.00; Black Hills Energy 399.46; City of Hart 98.90; Farmers Union 5,080.74; Fordyce Auto Rrpr 624.72; Ashley Gowery 122.79; Hartelco 102.94; Kruse True Value 72.98; NPPD 105.58; Nikki Pinkelman 922.75; Pitzer Digital 66.00; StopNGo 2,334.83; US Bank 1,158.87; Verizon 347.79; X-Pert Lawn 65.00.

Homeland Security: Gov Conn 446.25.

Inheritance Tax Fund: Antelope Co Sher 1,200.00; Bucks Port Restroom 616.00; Electronic Eng 8,558.27; Hansen Lock 120.00; Kruse True Value 23.96; NE NE Pub Health Dept 125,000.00; Riverside Tech 3,249.50; Sante Fe Dist 4,262.31; Total Fire & Sec 5,560.99; Tri-State Comm 5,360.83.

Enhanced 911 Fund: Fastwyre 155.00; GP Comm 169.44; Hartelco 418.21; NNTC 353.26.

E911 Wireless Setback Fund: City of Norfolk 149.12; Hartelco Comm 166.62; Motorola 76,056.00.

Bond Fund: Knife River 261,718.60.

ATTEST:

Jessica Schmit, County Clerk

APPROVED:

David McGregor, Board Chairman