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 Mike Meier, David McGregor and Dick Donner answering roll call. Also, present County Clerk Jessica Schmit. 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 Meier and seconded by Donner to appoint David McGregor as chairman. Voting Meier, yes; Donner, yes; McGregor, yes. Motion carried. Motion by McGregor to nominate Donner as vice chairman was seconded by Meier. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

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

Motion was made by Donner and seconded by Meier to approve minutes for the December 23 meeting. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Board member appointments were read by Chairman McGregor and discussed as listed below and then a motion was made by McGregor and seconded by Donner to make the board appointments as discussed. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

District One: Region IV Northstar Disabilities, Missouri River Advisory Group, and National Scenic River.

District Two: Region IV Mental Health and Northeast Nebraska Public Health Board

District Three: Landfill and solid waste, Transit System, Goldenrod Hills, HUD and Northeast Area on Aging.

The following appointments were read by Chairman McGregor and then a motion was made by Donner and seconded by Meier to retain the appointments as presented. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Carla Schmidt as Road Supt. and also County Road Overseer; Manager;

Kevin Garvin as Emergency Management and Communications Director

Justin Heikes as part-time Weed Supt.

Tim Gobel as Zoning Administrator

Motion was made by McGregor and seconded by Meier 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 Meier 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.

Discussion was held on following Federal and State declared holidays and adding that policy to our handbook. Commissioners decided not Motion was made by Meier and seconded by Donner to approve the following legal holidays for 2025. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

## LEGAL HOLIDAYS

January 1<sup>st</sup> New Years Day

Third Monday in January Martin Luther King Day

3rd Monday in FebruaryPresidents Day1/2 DayGood FridayLast Monday in MayMemorial DayJune 19thJuneteenth

July 4thIndependence Day1st Monday in SeptemberLabor Day2nd Monday in OctoberColumbus DayNovember 11thVeterans Day4th Thursday in NovemberThanksgiving

4<sup>th</sup> Friday in November Day after Thanksgiving

December 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas

Motion was then made by McGregor and seconded by Donner to set the mileage reimbursement rate at 70 cents per mile traveled doing county business as directed by the State Auditor's Office. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Motion was made by McGregor and seconded by Meier 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, and Brunswick State Bank of Magnet. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. Motion to approve pledged securities presented from the Bank of Hartington was made by Meier and seconded by Donner. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Road Supt., Carla Schmidt updated the board on the NIRMA assist grants that we received last week. Total amount received was \$250 and \$2,728.35. This money was used to purchase new first aid kits and type 3 barricades. She is still working on the annual safety meeting and waiting for NIRMA to get available dates. She reminded them to be finishing their one and six year road plan for 2025 with hearing to be held February 11. With the two open positions posted, she has gotten several applicants. Safety committee change.

Zoning Administrator, Tim Gobel presented the following building permits: Andrew Dennis 30x40 pole building, Nicholas Schmit grain bin, John Brandow 28x48 pole building. He then discussed with the board the research he had done on zoning with and for villages. The resolution accepting zoning for the county does not mention anything about interlocal agreements.

Question was raised if anyone was coming to the meeting regarding the Magnet zoning issue and county attorney Ron Temple said according to the emails he had received the day prior, no one was coming. The comprehensive plan for zoning was never adopted by the villages. County attorney Ron Temple stated he assumed the comprehensive plan excluded villages. Zoning administrator Gobel stated he agreed with this, that there was nothing in writing but he has been helping a few villages with their building permits. After a brief discussion, zoning administrator and county attorney agreed to have a discussion about taking care of these villages moving forward.

Clerk Schmit presented the lawn service bid from Y & Y Lawn Service for the courthouse and tower site. Commissioners agreed the tower site does not require a four application service.

Motion was made by Donner and seconded by McGregor to enter executive session at 9:40 AM to discuss possible litigation. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. At 10:28 AM a motion was made by Donner and seconded by Meier to exit executive session. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. No action was taken.

Bank of Hartington representatives Scott Schrempp and Brett Wiedenfeld came before the board to discuss the banking relationship with the county. Scott stated he appreciated the opportunity to work with the county all of these years and discussed different services they provide and explained how they watch the pledged securities.

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

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

GENERAL FUND: Total Salaries 191,474.07; Aflac 1,081.54; BCBS 57,712.68; Colonial Life 924.16; Empower Retire 3,555.00; First Concord 2,170.99; Lincoln Ntl. Life 852.11; Nationwide Retire 50.00; NE Dept of Rev 5,988.64; Retire Plans Div of Am 21,100.24; Security Bank 13,631.16; Security Bank 28,732.66; Washington Ntl. Ins 27.35; All hazard Inc. MGT Team 75.00; Nicole Allvin 134.00; Appeara 99.80; AT & T 93.85; Avera Medic. Grp. 23.00; Axon Enterprise 39.90; BLK Hills Eng. 104.03; Bomgaars 90.52; Candlewood Suites 2,124.15; Canon Fin. Serv. 92.00; Carhart 58.20; Cedar Co. Court of Dist. Court 36.00; Cedar Co. Court 75.00; Cedar Co. Court 139.10; CNPP. Dist. 372.23; City of Hart 286.07; CVSOAN 100.00; Das State Acct Cent Finance 661.00; Das State Acct Cent Finance 537.60; Don Dendinger 32.16; Des Moines Stamp 145.65; Dodge Co. 4,089.84; Drivers Lic. Guide Co. 33.95; Eakes Off Sol. 2,556.50; Elgin Pharmacy 49.36; farmers Union 105.52; Fischer Feed 136.50; Floor Maint, & Supply 310.17; Food Town 2,352.83; Glass Edge 179.00; Tim Gobel 130.65; Go. Forms & Supplies 292.50; Arianne Greiner 134.00; Megan Henefeldt 114.57; Hansen Locksmith 250.00; Hartelco 1,833.91; Hartelco 600.00; Hartington Shopper 1,118.73; NE Health & Human Servs. 180.00; Janelle Heikes 84.88; Justin Heikes 1,245.90; Hiway 84 Auto & RV Wash 28.00; Hometown Leasing 765.99; Jacks Uniforms & Equip. 408.24; Jamie Miller Legal Servs. 10.264.13; Kathleen Jorgensen 1,733.59; Kennedy, Pier, & Loftus LLP 5,185.22; Kruse True Value 56.99; Jim Kvols 26.80; Laurels Hometown Market 200.00; Lynn Peavey Co. 78.29; Matthew Bender & Co. 476.61; Miller Painting 250.00; MIPS Inc 4,309.45; NACVSO 50.00; NE Assoc of Clerk Dist. Court 50.00; NE Assoc Emergency Manag. 50.00; NPPD 3,029.31; NMC 1,523.08; NE Neb. News Co. 419.22; Olsons Pest Tech 203.85; Sally Opfer 70.54; Quadient Inc. 33.00; Quadient Leasing 525.30; Quill Corp. 43.52; Region IV 3,195.50; Region 4 Behav. Health Syst. 7,085.75; Riverside Tech. Inc. 3,249.50; Sante Fe Dist. 708.28; Jane Sayler 32.00; Jessica Schmit

291.81; Roger Schwarts 12.00; Sec. Shredding Serv. 220.00; Jackie Steffen 35.17; Kathy Uhl 69.24; US Cellular 215.94; Verizon 399.21; Voyager Fleet Syst. 1,021.25; Voyager fleet Syst. 32.58; Paul Wemhoff 14.07; Jean Wiebelhaus 281.40; Janet Wiechelman 424.07; Gary Wieseler 52.26; Winkelbauer Repair 85.15; Xpert Lawn 500.00; Jo Zimmerman 20.10

**ROAD FUND:** Total Salaries 113,095.34; AFLAC 737.15; BCBS 42,294.55; Colonial Life 746.51; Empower Retirement 475.00; 1st Concord Group 150.00; NE Dept. of Rev. 3,822.89; Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas 12,543.25; Sec. Bank 9,001.99; Sec. Bank 17,137.24; A-OX Welding 42.53; Appeara 387.54; Davis Ford 116.86; Art Kathol Appliance 145.82; Avera Med. Grp. 94.00; B's Enterprise 8,836.70; Blk Hills Eng. 1,403.90; Bobs Bolt Bin 134.10; Bomgaars 1,413.36; BV Auto 100.15; Campbells Srv. 565.35; Candlewood Suits 374.85; Cap Gravel 6,080.07; Carlson Home & Auto 1,030.32; CNPP Dist. 727.76; Cedar/Knox Rural Water Project 73.79; City of Hart 125.40; City of Laurel 229.73; City of Randolph 118.98; CNH Industries 17,067.83; Coleridge Welding 510.12; Cornhusker Int. Truck 105.62; Dendinger Trucking 5,919.28; Farmers Union 390.73; Fischer Feed & Supply 432.35; Folkers Bros Garage 282.01; Gill Hauling INC 27.93; Great Plains Com Inc 662.99; Grossenburg Imp. 13,437.15; H & K Oil 1,001.00; Hansen Bro. Parts 3,281.55; Hartelco 257.43; Hart. Shopper 358.00; Hart. Truck & Auto Parts INC. 1,385.30; Hefner Oil & Feed 6,349.93; Janssen Const. 600.00; Jerrys Service 11,300.81; Knife River 2,507.59; Kruse True Value 208.96; Laurel True Value 102.73, Lawson Products 139.33; Leiting Auto 116.22; LG Everist 48,302.35; Mainelli Wagner & Assoc. 10,816.00; David McGregor 281.40; Medical Enterprise 105.00; Murphy Tractor & Equip. 3,500.22; NPPD 204.14; NMC Exchange 80.59; NMC Exchange 1,671.97; NMC Exchange 900.82; Norfolk Motor Co. 15,035.00; Northeast Glass 279.90; NE News Co. 715.36; Peitz GMC 885.38; Pomp's Tire 160.00; R & R Servs. 86.34; Randolph Farm Supply 1,982.88; Raths Mini Mart 207.11; Riverside Hydraulics 405.84; Spencer Quarries 8,050.92; Mark Stratman 150.00; Jennifer Suing 180.00; Truck Trailer Sales 207.62; Steven Uhing 10.00; US Cellular 294.80; Village of Wynot 113.00; Voyager Fleet Syst. 49.00; Wattier True Value 51.83; Wiechelman Repair Inc. 49,054.59; Wynot Oil 10,070.12

CEDAR COUNTY TRANSIT FUND: Total Salaries 45,438.17; Cross/Blue Shield 7,639.74; Colonial Life 107.83; First Concord Benefits Group 683.32; NE Dept Of Rev. 1,177.53; Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas 5,009.01; Sec. Bank 2,087.68; Sec. Bank 6,831.04; Appeara 94.12; BLK Hills Eng. 483.22; Bomgaars 27.16; City of Hart 78.83; Farmers Union 4,782.24; Folkers Bros Garage 4,258.99; Hartelco 246.57; Hefner Oil 91.50; Kruse True Value 62.39; NPPD 97.61; NP Mart 1,275.17; Olsons Pest Tech 75.00; Nikki Pinkelman 110.01; Randolph Farm Supply 43.45; Raths Mini Mart 128.56; US Bank 178.66; Verizon 387.96; Wynot Oil 36.43 HOMELAND SECURITY FUND: Optk Networks 802.12; Thermo Scientific Port Analytical 38,633.00 INHERITANCE TAX FUND: Boone Co Sheriff's Dept. 2,015.00; State of NE Dept Correctional 2,717.06 E911 FUND: Batteries Plus Bulbs 232.44; Fastwyre Broadband 176.56; Gov. Connection 109.85; Great Plains Comm. 169.44; Hartelco 432.66Hyper Reach 5,000.00; NE Nebr. Tele 353.26; Rapidsos 4,441.00 E911 WIRELESS FUND: City of Norfolk 298.24; OPTK Networks 836.66; Tritech Software Systems 4,492.51

ATTEST:		APPROVED:	
	Jessica Schmit, County Clerk		David McGregor, Board Chairman