

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

March 28, 2023

The Cherry County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session on March 28, 2023 in the Cherry County Commissioners Meeting Room of the Cherry County Courthouse, as per notice in the Valentine Midland News every week, with the agenda being on file in the office of the County Clerk. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Chairman DeNaeyer. Roll call was taken. Present for the meeting were Cherry County Commissioners Martin DeNaeyer, Mike McConaughy, and Cherry County Clerk Brittny Longcor. Commissioner Nina Nelson had an excused absence. The Open Meetings Act Poster was acknowledged by Chairman DeNaeyer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Board of Commissioners meeting minutes from March 14, 2023 were read. DeNaeyer moved and McConaughy seconded to approve the minutes as read. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, McConaughy. Absent – Nelson. The motion carried.

Emergency Management Director Matt Sandoz and Deputy Emergency Manager Jessica Coyle updated the Board regarding the Motorola dispatch consoles project, SEAT plane relocation, and CDBG status. Director Sandoz reported that he had attended the NAEM Poster Contest Ceremony and is attending the upcoming NAEM Conference. Deputy Coyle reported on the flood plain workshop she had attended and an upcoming grant writing conference.

Clerk Longcor informed the Board that the Nebraska Department of Transportation has requested a resolution authorizing the execution of the agreement that was approved at the March 14, 2023 meeting. Upon adoption of the resolution said agreement would be resigned. McConaughy moved and DeNaeyer seconded to adopt Resolution #2023-03 authorizing the execution of Agreement No. XL2305 Minnechaduz Creek Bridge – State Highway Detour. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, McConaughy. Absent – Nelson. The motion carried.

Road Supervisor Doug Boyer reported to the Board regarding equipment repairs, armor coat gravel ordered for upcoming projects, changes to the county shops' phone systems, and road staff changes. The Board reviewed and signed Payroll Change Notices for a merit-based increase and a promotion. The job description for a new road department position will be added to the next agenda. The Board spoke with Mr. Boyer regarding an issue with Fawn Lake Road and the coordination of rock purchases between all districts. DeNaeyer moved and McConaughy seconded to declare a 2004 2500HD Chevy pickup Unit #1-103 VIN 1GCHK24U84E106422 as surplus property. Roll call vote: Aye – McConaughy, DeNaeyer. Absent – Nelson. The motion carried.

The Board reviewed correspondence from USPS regarding the Kilgore Post Office.

Judd Allen & Mike Boden, NACO Benefits Services, and Dennis Maggart, McInnes Group Executive Vice President, met with the Board to review the performance of the county's partially self-funded health insurance for the current plan year. Monthly claim amounts, network savings, and the upcoming renewal were discussed.

After review and approval via email by County Attorney Eric Scott, DeNaeyer moved and McConaughy seconded to approve a letter of engagement with Woods Aitken LLP for the review and revision of the Cherry County Employee Handbook. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, McConaughy. Absent – Nelson. The motion carried.

McConaughy moved and DeNaeyer seconded to approve claims. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, McConaughy. Absent – Nelson. The motion carried.

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CHERRY COUNTY CLAIMS LISTING

Claims were presented in the amount of \$ **215,270.44** .

and disallowed in the amount of \$ - .
 A warrant was ordered drawn on the General Fund in the amount of \$ **215,270.44**

GENERAL FUND

AFLAC	Withholdings/Insurance	\$2,580.20
Ameritas Life Insurance/Retirement	Withholdings/Retirement	\$15,757.82
Ameritas Life Insurance/Dental	Withholdings/Insurance	\$2,675.82
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Insurance Funding	\$2,000.00
Cherry County Health Account	Health Claims Funding	\$36,634.96
CVSOAN Treasurer, Tom Reimers	Dues/Fees/Training	\$60.00
EFTPS	Withholdings/Taxes	\$27,292.65
HM Life Insurance Company	Health Insurance Funding	\$11,907.72
AUL Health Benefit Trust	Health Reimbursement Arrangement Funding	\$2,750.00
Midlands Choice	Health Insurance Funding	\$177.75
NE Department of Revenue	Withholdings/Taxes	\$3,944.87
Eric Scott Law	Clerical Salary/Rent/Telephone/Equipment	\$3,683.25
Vision Service Plan	Withholdings/Insurance	\$463.44
General Fund Payroll	Gross Wages & Salaries	\$139,158.59
	GROSS TOTAL	\$249,087.07
	Adjustment for employees' share of withholdings	(\$33,816.63)
	NET TOTAL	\$215,270.44

Claims were presented in the amount of \$ **116,328.66** .
 and disallowed in the amount of \$ - .
 A warrant was ordered drawn on the Road Fund in the amount of \$ **116,328.66**

ROAD FUND

AFLAC	Withholdings/Insurance	\$1,530.96
Ameritas Life Insurance/Retirement	Withholdings/Retirement	\$8,589.28
Ameritas Life Insurance/Dental	Withholdings/Insurance	\$1,285.68
Assurity Life Insurance Company	Withholdings/Insurance	\$14.50
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Claim Funding	\$935.00
Cherry County Health Account	Health Claim Funding	\$18,412.40
EFTPS	Taxes/Withholdings	\$15,773.33
HM Life Insurance Company	Health Claim Funding	\$5,853.54
Legal Shield	Services	\$101.70
MassMutual	Withholdings/Retirement	\$300.00
AUL Health Benefit Trust	Health Reimbursement Arrangement Funding	\$1,400.00
NE Department of Revenue	Taxes/Withholdings	\$2,351.50
Vision Service Plan	Withholdings/Insurance	\$186.77
Road Fund Payroll	Gross Wages & Salaries	\$79,196.26
	GROSS TOTAL	\$135,930.92
	Adjustment for employees' share of withholdings	(\$19,602.26)
	NET TOTAL	\$116,328.66

Claims were presented in the amount of \$ **5,854.65** .
 and disallowed in the amount of \$ - .
 A warrant was ordered drawn on the Visitors Promotion Fund in the amount of \$ **5,854.65**

VISITORS PROMOTION FUND

AFLAC	Withholdings/Insurance	97.37
Ameritas Life Insurance/Retirement	Withholdings/Retirement	\$576.90
Ameritas Life Insurance/Dental	Withholdings/Insurance	\$56.46
EFTPS	Taxes/Withholdings	\$990.89
NE Department of Revenue	Taxes/Withholdings	\$112.31
Vision Service Plan	Withholdings/Insurance	\$28.17

Visitors Promotion Fund Payroll	Gross Wages & Salaries	\$5,127.98
	GROSS TOTAL	\$6,990.08
	Adjustment for employees' share of withholdings	(\$1,135.43)
	NET TOTAL	\$5,854.65

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	4,940.76	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Health Claims Fund in the amount of	\$	4,940.76	

HEALTH CLAIMS FUND

Cherry County Clerk	Health Insurance Claims	\$4,940.76
	TOTAL	\$4,940.76

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	11,390.03	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Emergency Management Fund in the amount of	\$	11,390.03	

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Ameritas Life Insurance/Retirement	Withholdings/Retirement	\$743.63
Ameritas Life Insurance/Dental	Withholdings/Insurance	\$112.92
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health Claim Funding	\$110.00
Cherry County Health Account	Health Claim Funding	\$2,835.92
EFTPS	Taxes/Withholdings	\$1,284.26
HM Life Insurance Company	Health Claim Funding	\$845.40
AUL Health Benefit Trust	Health Reimbursement Arrangement Funding	\$200.00
NE Department of Revenue	Taxes/Withholdings	\$190.10
Vision Service Plan	Withholdings/Insurance	\$28.17
Emergency Management Fund Payroll	Gross Wages & Salaries	\$6,610.02
	GROSS TOTAL	\$12,960.42
	Adjustment for employees' share of withholdings	(\$1,570.39)
	NET TOTAL	\$11,390.03

The Board recessed for lunch from 12:06 PM to 1:00 PM.

The Board acknowledged receipt via email of Andrew Ward's resignation from the Cherry County Hospital Board of Trustees.

Comments from the public were received during the allotted time.

The Board recessed from regular session to convene as a Board of Equalization from 1:15 PM to 1:19 PM.

Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith informed the Board that he has been working with NDOT to post advanced warning about the weight limit for Borman Bridge. Nollett Road was discussed and Superintendent Smith recommended that the Board discuss their questions with the County Attorney.

The Board recessed from regular session to convene as a Board of Corrections from 1:30 PM to 2:04 PM.

At 2:05 PM, with no further business to come before the Board, Chairman DeNaeyer declared the meeting adjourned.

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BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MINUTES

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Deputy Assessor Andre provided information for four tax list corrections to correct two inadvertent name changes, an omitted IOLL rollover, and a duplicated personal property schedule. McConaughy moved and DeNaeyer seconded to approve tax list corrections #2022-4 Property ID: 160039606, #2022-5 Property ID: 160002419, #2022-6 Property ID: 160009855, and #2022-7 Property ID: 160249064 as presented by Deputy Assessor Andre. Roll call vote: Aye – McConaughy, DeNaeyer. Absent – Nelson. The motion carried.

At 1:19 PM Chairman DeNaeyer declared the meeting adjourned.

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BOARD OF CORRECTIONS MINUTES

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At 1:33 PM DeNaeyer moved to enter closed session to discuss policy and procedure security protocols, with the Board, Clerk Longcor, and Administrator Hesse to be present. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, McConaughy. Absent – Nelson. The motion carried. Chairman DeNaeyer restated the limitation of subject matter of the closed session to be policy and procedure security protocols. At 1:43PM the meeting room doors were reopened and the public was allowed to reenter. At 1:44 PM DeNaeyer moved and McConaughy seconded to return to open session. Roll call vote: Aye – McConaughy, DeNaeyer. Absent – Nelson. The motion carried.

DeNaeyer moved and McConaughy seconded to approve the amendment to the Cherry County Justice Center Policies & Procedures Section No: D-200 AED Policy as presented by Administrator Hesse. Roll call vote: Aye – McConaughy, DeNaeyer. Absent – Nelson. The motion carried.

Administrator Hesse informed the Board of issues with the current television service provider in the jail and provided a contract for CIDNET, the company that currently provides video visitation services for inmates. Providing television service satisfies certain jail standards requirements and CIDNET's services wouldn't cost anything for Cherry County. DeNaeyer moved and McConaughy seconded to authorize Administrator Hess to execute the CIDNET Solutions Services Agreement to extend the current contract for five years. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, McConaughy. Absent – Nelson. The motion carried.

Potentially upgrading the electronic control system, security camera project, timeclock system, and employee retention were discussed.

At 2:04 PM Chairman DeNaeyer declared the meeting adjourned.

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