

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

June 13, 2023

The Cherry County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session on June 13, 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 a.m. by Chairman DeNaeyer. Roll call was taken. Present for the meeting were Cherry County Commissioners Martin DeNaeyer, Nina Nelson, Mike McConaughy, and Cherry County Clerk Brittny Longcor. The Open Meetings Act Poster was acknowledged by Chairman DeNaeyer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Board of Commissioners meeting minutes from May 30, 2023 were read. Nelson moved and DeNaeyer seconded to approve the minutes as corrected. Roll call vote: Aye – Nelson, DeNaeyer, McConaughy. The motion carried.

The Board of Equalization meeting minutes from May 30, 2023 were read. McConaughy moved and Nelson seconded to approve the minutes as read. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, McConaughy, Nelson. The motion carried.

The Board of Corrections meeting minutes from May 30, 2023 were read. Nelson moved and McConaughy seconded to approve the minutes as read. Roll call vote: Aye – McConaughy, Nelson, DeNaeyer. The motion carried.

Cherry County Hospital Chief Financial Officer Amanda Davidson presented the Board with the Cherry County Hospital & Clinic 2023-2024 Operating Budget. Assumptions, departmental changes of note, patient statistics trend, net revenue & expense trend, and proposed & additional capital expenditures were reviewed. The Board of Trustees previously approved the Capital Expenditure Budget. Nelson moved and McConaughy seconded to approve the Cherry County Hospital 2023-2024 Operating Budget as presented by Amanda Davidson. Roll call vote: Aye – Nelson, DeNaeyer, McConaughy. The motion carried.

The Board acknowledged receipt of Tim Henderson's resignation from the Cherry County Hospital Board of Trustees effective June 27, 2023. The Board acknowledged receipt of Darci Lee's notification that she does not wish to be reappointed to the Cherry County Hospital Board of Trustees after the expiration of her term, which expires on July 30, 2023. The Board reviewed the list of candidates received from the current Board of Trustees and it was stated that the Commissioners also had candidates in mind for the vacancies.

DeNaeyer moved and McConaughy seconded to appoint Jim Van Winkle to the Cherry County Hospital Board of Trustees to fill the remainder of Tim Henderson's term, effective June 28, 2023, expiring July 30, 2023, and for a new six-year term expiring July 30, 2029. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, McConaughy, Nelson. The motion carried.

DeNaeyer moved and Nelson seconded to appoint Gregg Perrett to the Cherry County Hospital Board of Trustees to fill the remainder of Virginia Lee's term, effective June 28, 2023, expiring July 30, 2023, and for a new six-year term expiring July 30, 2029. Roll call vote: Aye – McConaughy, Nelson, DeNaeyer. The motion carried.

Nelson moved and DeNaeyer seconded to appoint Warren Arganbright to the Cherry County Hospital Board of Trustees to fill the remainder of Andrew Ward's term, effective immediately, expiring July 30, 2027. Roll call vote: Aye – Nelson, DeNaeyer, McConaughy. The motion carried.

McConaughy moved and Nelson seconded to appoint Mark Burchfield to the Cherry County Hospital Board of Trustees for a new six-year term commencing August 1, 2023 and expiring July 30, 2029. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, McConaughy, Nelson. The motion carried.

Dennis Maggart and Judd Allen met with the Board to discuss the Cherry County employee health insurance renewal through NACO Blue Cross Blue Shield and McInnes Group. Options for custom and standard plan designs, specific deductible amounts, aggregating specific deductible amounts, correlating premiums were discussed. Options for

employee wellness programs were also discussed. McConaughey moved and DeNaeyer seconded to renew the Cherry County employee health insurance with the current custom plan design, \$35,000 specific deductible, \$75,000 aggregating specific deductible, and authorize the Clerk to sign the application for stop loss insurance with HM Insurance Group. Roll call vote: Aye – McConaughey, Nelson, DeNaeyer. The motion carried.

Clerk of District Court Lorana Eggert and County Court Clerk Magistrate Debra Hand met with the Board to discuss Courtroom equipment that has become obsolete due to statewide audio-visual equipment upgrades. Nelson moved and DeNaeyer seconded to surplus Courtroom equipment (Elmo P10 platform document camera serial #350511, Magnavox VHS/DVD player DV220MW99) and authorize Clerk of District Court Lorana Eggert to donate said surplus property to Grace Lutheran Church and School. Roll call vote: Aye – Nelson, DeNaeyer, McConaughey. The motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Jessica Coyle updated the Board regarding the Cherry County Planning Commission public hearing that was held on June 6, 2023 regarding CUP #001/23 TK Angus Co. Swine Facility. The Planning Commission tabled the decision for said CUP until their next meeting. The Planning Commission's next meeting and CUP public hearings for Marvin Miller and James Yoder will be held on July 11, 2023.

Emergency Management Director Matt Sandoz and Deputy Emergency Manager Jessica Coyle updated the Board regarding the Motorola Dispatch Consoles Project, GeoComm & SoloComm service contracts, RapidTag, and that MOUs have been sent out for the SRS radio systems.

Road Supervisor Doug Boyer updated the Board regarding routine road maintenance, upcoming armor coat project, gravel purchased, and milling projects.

The Board recessed for lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:03 p.m. Comments from the public were received during the allotted time. Bill Ward submitted written correspondence.

The Board reviewed the Clerk of the District Court fee report for May 2023, Treasurer's fund balance listing for May 31, 2023, Operating Statement report of budget vs. actual spending for May 31, 2023, and the BSH Kilgore (CUP #003/18) Annual Update for 2023.

Assessor Jackie Moreland and Roads/Emergency Management Assistant Kay Reese met with the Board to discuss the gWorks GIS tabs and contracts. Service and support issues, setup costs, and yearly tab costs were discussed. A comparison between gWorks and Schneider Geospatial, including pricing and functionality, was briefly reviewed. No Board action was taken on the agenda item regarding GIS Tab Subscriptions.

At the request of Assessor Moreland, no Board action was taken on the agenda item regarding Central Plains Valuation Contract Renewal.

The Board recessed from regular session to convene as a Board of Corrections from 1:34 p.m. to 3:18 p.m.

The Board recessed from regular session to convene as a Board of Equalization from 3:19 p.m. to 4:07 p.m.

Whether or not County employees would receive a paid holiday and office closures for the federal and state holiday, Juneteenth National Independence Day, were discussed. No Board action was taken on the agenda item regarding Cherry County Employee Paid Holidays.

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

June 13, 2023
CHERRY COUNTY CLAIMS LISTING

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	72,114.06	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the General Fund in the amount of			\$
			72,114.06

GENERAL

Allen Monument Company	Services	\$300.00
Andrea Andre	Reimbursement	\$133.03
Applied Connective Technologies	Services	\$5,590.90
Black Hills Chemical	Services	\$568.27
Bob Barker Company	Services	\$140.00
Bomgaars	Supplies	\$372.91
Michael Borders	Services	\$4,608.48
Boyd's Network Solutions	Services	\$105.00
Heath Bristol	Reimbursement	\$276.41
Centurylink	Telephone Service	\$193.89
Centurylink	Telephone Service	\$1,764.38
Cherry County Clerk	Supplies	\$30.00
Cherry County Court	Services	\$730.69
Cherry County Hospital	Services	\$9,715.30
Cherry County Sheriff	Services	\$209.25
Cherry County Treasurer	Bank Fees	\$5.00
Cherry Street Nursery	Supplies	\$47.90
Cidnet	Services	\$300.00
Clearly Communications	Telephone Service	\$316.10
CNA Surety	Services	\$100.00
Consolidated Management Company	Services	\$527.75
Jessica Coyle	Reimbursement	\$301.83
DAS State Accounting 6506	Services	\$448.00
DAS State Accounting 6507	Services	\$83.54
Encartele Inc	Services	\$547.29
Firstnet/AT&T	Services	\$652.13
Galls Parent Holding LLC	Services	\$936.12
Pat Greenough	Reimbursement	\$100.00
GRP & Associates	Services	\$57.00
Hampton Inn-Kearney	Lodging	\$124.95
Hampton Inn	Lodging	\$516.00
Timothy Hanson	Reimbursement	\$2,636.75
HD Arms LLC	Supplies	\$2,321.20
Heart City Drug	Supplies	\$123.74
Heart City Plumbing & Heating	Services	\$719.68
Edward Heinert	Reimbursement	\$23.58
Henderson's IGA	Supplies	\$248.74
Huskerland Communications LLC	Supplies	\$59.98
Johnson Law Office	Clerical Salary/Rent/Telephone/Equipment	\$5,570.61
Journal Entry	Training Refund	-\$350.00
Justice Data Solutions	Services	\$2,900.00
Dave Leonard	Reimbursement	\$371.63
Vince Lopez	Services	\$100.00
Microfilm Imaging Systems	Services	\$136.00
Midwest Connect	Services	\$305.00

Midwest Portland LLC	Services	\$177.87
MIPS	Services	\$3,038.75
Jackie Moreland	Reimbursement	\$145.28
Terry Murray	Net Wages	\$1,142.55
NACO	Dues/Fees/Trainings	\$2,090.39
Nebraska Safety & Fire Equip	Services	\$1,235.45
Nebraska State Patrol	Services	\$84.00
NK Waste Management	Services	\$368.00
North Platte Telegraph	Services	\$77.66
Office Products	Supplies	\$2,116.67
Paper Tiger Shredding	Services	\$50.00
Petty Cash	Reimbursement	\$95.50
Platte Valley Communications	Services	\$500.00
Postmaster	Services	\$432.00
Presto-X	Services	\$96.05
Quadient Leasing	Services	\$60.80
Quadient Finance USA	Services	\$3,553.22
Quill Corporation	Supplies	\$68.43
Rosebud Office Solutions	Supplies	\$55.07
Sandhill Oil Co	Supplies	\$327.17
Andrea Schadel	Reimbursement	\$15.50
Scotty's Ranchland Foods	Supplies	\$297.04
Cardmember Service	Supplies	\$268.11
Callie Sokol	Services	\$35.00
Samuel Spain	Services	\$100.00
Stanek Fire Protection	Services	\$167.00
True Value	Supplies	\$60.11
UNL Panhandle Research & Extension	Services	\$1,379.98
US Cellular	Services	\$88.24
Valentine Dental Clinic	Services	\$197.25
Valentine Midland News	Services	\$1,452.14
City of Valentine	Utilities	\$3,524.67
Ward Laboratories Inc	Services	\$8.15
Ward Plumbing & Heating	Services	\$1,085.47
Water Engineering Inc	Services	\$945.00
Western Oil/Conoco	Fuel/Car Wash	\$44.00
Wex Bank	Fuel	\$1,725.17
Laura Willert	Reimbursement	\$37.34
	Total	\$72,114.06

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	274,149.25	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Road Fund in the amount of			\$ 274,149.25

ROAD

Rex Adamson	Services	\$2,197.50
Ashby Lumber Company	Supplies	\$24.60
Bacon Repair	Services	\$619.50
Bomgaars	Supplies	\$926.30
Doug Boyer	Reimbursement	\$210.35
Breinig Truck & Trailer LLC	Services	\$55,000.00
Buckles Fuel Services	Services	\$3,573.99
Central Valley Ag Cooperative	Supplies	\$11,711.71
Cherry County Clerk	Supplies	\$30.00

Cherry County Clinic	Services	\$84.00
Cherry County Implement	Services	\$1,174.30
Cody Oil	Services	\$7,593.80
Village of Cody	Services	\$106.30
Consolidated Telephone	Services	\$290.61
Croell Inc	Services	\$2,787.20
Custer Public Power District	Services	\$146.78
DAS State Accounting Central Finance	Services	\$27.70
Deere Credit Inc	Services	\$65,357.16
Garrett Egger	Reimbursement	\$206.39
Bradley Fernau	Reimbursement	\$222.45
Flat Creek Construction	Services	\$36,836.40
Great Plains Communications	Services	\$316.09
Hometown Lumber	Supplies	\$27.90
Interstate Battery System	Services	\$285.90
J&J Trailer Sales LLC	Services	\$226.40
John Deere Financial	Services	\$819.00
KBR Rural Public Power District	Services	\$274.13
Kimball Midwest	Services	\$107.76
Lawson Products Inc	Services	\$110.28
Martin Auto Parts II	Services	\$13.31
Medical Enterprises	Services	\$35.00
Menards	Supplies	\$160.87
Village of Merriman	Services	\$124.36
Mips Inc	Services	\$180.00
Modern Farm Equipment Corporation	Services	\$25,050.00
Nebraska Machinery Company	Services	\$803.16
Nebraska Public Power District	Services	\$42.49
Nebraska Truck Center	Services	\$6,699.75
Newman Signs Inc/Traffic Signs	Supplies	\$360.05
Niobrara Valley Consultants	Services	\$18.00
Office Products Center	Supplies	\$44.97
The Parts Company	Supplies	\$700.09
Perrett Construction	Services	\$1,219.86
Petty Cash	Reimbursement	\$20.00
Pit Stall	Services	\$900.43
Pomp's Tire Service Inc	Services	\$1,565.00
Powerplan	Services	\$2,596.70
Prema	Services	\$83.28
Reese Inc	Services	\$630.18
Sandhill Oil Company Inc	Services	\$5,772.84
Sandhill Ranch Supply	Services	\$1,430.81
Security First Bank	Services	\$31,063.18
LeRoy Songer	Reimbursement	\$106.99
Tehrani Motor Company	Services	\$643.04
Triple G Redimix LLC	Services	\$1,759.29
US Cellular	Services	\$143.91
Valentine Machine & MFG	Services	\$17.91
City of Valentine	Services	\$629.28
Western Oil Inc/Conoco	Services	\$40.00
	TOTAL	\$274,149.25

Claims were presented in the amount of \$ 5,978.75 .
and disallowed in the amount of .

A warrant was ordered drawn on the Emergency Bridge Fund in the amount of		\$	5,978.75
Emergency Bridge			
Niobrara Valley Consultants	Services	\$	5,978.75
	TOTAL		\$5,978.75

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	5,362.21	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Visitor Promotion Fund in the amount of		\$	5,362.21

VISITOR PROMOTION			
Great Plains Communications	Services		\$181.84
Holiday Inn Kearney	Lodging		\$119.95
L&J K Lawn	Services		\$125.00
NRG Media, LLC/Broadcast House Media	Services		\$3,305.00
Regina Osburn	Reimbursement		\$278.68
Outback Screenprinting & Embroidery	Services		\$195.90
The Prairie Club	Services		\$300.00
Rosebud Office Solutions	Supplies		\$149.17
Scotty's Ranchland Foods	Supplies		\$300.00
Valentine Midland News	Services		\$175.50
City of Valentine	Services		\$231.17
	TOTAL		\$5,362.21

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	1,152.50	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Register of Deeds P&M Fund in the amount of		\$	1,152.50

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M			
Spectra Associates	Supplies	\$	1,152.50
	TOTAL		\$1,152.50

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	10,146.64	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Health Insurance Claims Fund in the amount of		\$	10,146.64

EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE CLAIMS			
Cherry County Clerk	Health Insurance Claims		\$10,146.64
	TOTAL		\$10,146.64

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	9,427.08	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Bookmobile Fund in the amount of		\$	9,427.08

BOOKMOBILE			
Valentine Public Library	Bookmobile		\$9,427.08
	TOTAL	\$	9,427.08

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	67,751.25	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Grant Fund in the amount of		\$	67,751.25

GRANT FUND			
BOKF, NA	Fund Correction		-\$31,848.75
Iowa Trailer Manufacturing LLC	Supplies		\$99,600.00
	TOTAL		\$67,751.25

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	31,848.75	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.

A warrant was ordered drawn on the Disaster Fund in the amount of		\$	31,848.75
DISASTER FUND			
BOKF,NA	Fund Correction/Interest Payment		\$31,848.75
	TOTAL		\$31,848.75

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	2,631.60	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Emergency Management Fund in the amount of		\$	2,631.60

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT			
Applied Connective	Services		\$293.04
Century Link	Services		\$257.90
KBR Rural Public Power District	Services		\$94.37
Lifeguard MD	Services		\$362.00
Nebraska DAS/Surplus Property	Supplies		\$2.00
Office Products	Supplies		\$1,461.61
Prema	Services		\$137.53
True Value	Supplies		\$23.15
	TOTAL		\$2,631.60

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	6,710.00	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Inheritance Tax Fund in the amount of		\$	6,710.00

INHERITANCE TAX			
Houghton Bradford Whitted PC	Services		\$2,170.00
Marvin Planning Consultants	Services		\$1,540.00
Woods & Aitken LLP	Services		\$3,000.00
	TOTAL		\$6,710.00

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	282.31	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	
A warrant was ordered drawn on the 911 Emergency Services Fund in the amount of		\$	282.31

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES (2910)			
Geo Comm Inc	Services		\$94.41
Great Plains Communications Inc	Services		\$41.26
OPTK Networks	Services		\$146.64
	TOTAL		\$282.31

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	1,899.77	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	
A warrant was ordered drawn on the 911 Wireless Service Fund in the amount of		\$	1,899.77

911 WIRELESS SERVICE (2913)			
Boyd's Network Solutions	Services		\$300.00
Geo Comm	Services		\$534.97
Great Plains Communications Inc	Services		\$233.84
OPTK Networks	Services		\$830.96
	TOTAL		\$1,899.77

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	115,000.00	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Hospital Operating/Maintenance Fund in the amount of		\$	115,000.00

Hospital Operating/Maintenance			
Cherry County Hospital	Operating Expense		\$115,000.00
	TOTAL		\$115,000.00

At 5:14 p.m., with no further business to come before the Board, Chairman DeNaeyer declared the meeting adjourned.

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BOARD OF CORRECTIONS MINUTES

June 13, 2023

The Cherry County Board of Commissioners convened as a Board of Corrections on June 13, 2023 in the Cherry County Commissioners Meeting Room of the Cherry County Courthouse, as per notice published June 7, 2023 in the Valentine Midland News, with the agenda being on file in the office of the County Clerk. The meeting was called to order at 1:34 p.m. by Chairman DeNaeyer. Roll call was taken. Present for the meeting were Cherry County Commissioners Martin DeNaeyer, Nina Nelson, Mike McConaughy, Cherry County Clerk Brittny Longcor, and Cherry County Justice Center Administrator Sharon Hesse. The Open Meetings Act Poster was acknowledged by Chairman DeNaeyer.

Valentine Police Chief Dana Miller, Sheriff Rusty Osburn, and Administrator Hesse met with the Board to discuss challenges with the phone system automated call tree, transferring calls between departments, and the dispatch agreement between the city and county.

At 1:51 p.m. DeNaeyer moved and McConaughy seconded to enter closed session for the purpose of discussing staffing and jail security with the Board, Clerk Longcor, Administrator Hesse, County Attorney Eric Scott, and Sheriff Osburn to be present. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, McConaughy, Nelson. The motion carried. Chairman DeNaeyer restated the limitation of subject matter of the closed session to be staffing and jail security. At 2:57 p.m. the meeting room doors were reopened and the public was allowed to reenter. At 2:58 p.m. DeNaeyer moved and McConaughy seconded to return to open session. Roll call vote: Aye – McConaughy, Nelson, DeNaeyer. The motion carried.

The Board and Administrator Hesse discussed strategies for hiring and retaining jail staff, starting wages of surrounding area facilities, current staff census, bonus vs. hourly wage increases, and retention bonuses. DeNaeyer moved and McConaughy seconded to increase the Justice Center starting wage to \$20.00 per hour and to raise current employees' pay rates by \$4.00 per hour, effective June 19, 2023. Roll call vote: Aye – Nelson, DeNaeyer, McConaughy. The motion carried.

Nelson moved and DeNaeyer seconded to give Justice Center Administrator Sharon Hesse a \$5,000 bonus for her extensive overtime served in the jail and dispatch and to show our appreciation of her hard work. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, McConaughy, Nelson. The motion carried.

The Board requested Administrator Hesse to advertise the new starting wage in the local newspaper and radio ads.

At 3:18 p.m. Chairman DeNaeyer declared the meeting adjourned.

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BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MINUTES

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Assessor Moreland presented information for a tax list correction due to a Property Assessment Division homestead exemption audit and a tax list correction due to a survey correcting the number of acres in a parcel. McConaughey moved and Nelson seconded to approve tax list correction #2020-27 Property ID: 160014077 and #2022-9 Property ID: 160045886 as presented by Assessor Moreland and authorize the Chairman to sign. Roll call vote: Aye – McConaughey, Nelson, DeNaeyer. The motion carried.

Assessor Moreland presented information for notices of valuation change for the Village of Wood Lake due to a computer glitch doubling the 30% increase that was applied to improved parcels. Nelson moved and McConaughey seconded to approve the Report of Overvalued, Undervalued, and Omitted Property 2023 as submitted by Assessor Moreland. Roll call vote: Aye – Nelson, DeNaeyer, McConaughey. The motion carried.

Assessor Moreland reviewed assessment actions for the 2023 tax year including the required level of value notice publication, informal hearings with appraisers, plan of action, review of all classes of real property, and trainings & continuing education completed.

At 4:07 p.m. Chairman DeNaeyer declared the meeting adjourned.

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