

Dakota County Board of Commissioners  
Tuesday, May 31, 2022 - 3:00 p.m.  
County Board Meeting Room, First Floor  
Dakota County Courthouse, Dakota City, Nebraska

Chair Giese called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Present at Roll Call: Giese, Love, Gill, Albenesius, Launsby. Absent: None. Also present was Kim Watson, County Attorney and Joan Spencer, County Clerk, acting as Board Secretary. The location of the Open Meetings Act was noted.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL – Excused Absence

A current copy of the *Open Meetings Act* is posted on the west wall near the entrance of the County Board Meeting Room and is available for review by all citizens in attendance.

*The Dakota County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to adjust the order of items on this agenda if necessary.*

1. PUBLIC COMMENT. The Board of Commissioners will hear comments about any item not on the agenda. The Chair has the discretion to limit the time of comment.
2. CONSENT AGENDA *Any individual item may be removed by a Commissioner for special discussion and consideration. Unless there is an exception, these items will be approved as one with a single vote of the Board of Commissioners.*
  - a. Approval of the previous meeting minutes – May 16, 2022
  - b. Approval of payroll claims for May 15 - 28, 2022
  - c. Approval of accounts payable claims
3. NEW BUSINESS
  - a. 3:01 p.m. Public Hearing for the purpose of receiving evidence, either orally or by affidavit from the applicant and any other person, bearing upon the propriety of the issuance of a liquor license for the following business: Old Dane, Inc., dba Landmand Golf Club, 2073 S Bluff Rd. Homer, Nebraska for a Class I Beer, Wine, Distilled Spirits, On Sale Only.
  - b. Board to approve or disapprove the issuance of a liquor license for Old Dane, Inc., dba Landmand Golf Club located at 2073 South Bluff Road, Homer, Nebraska for a Class I Beer, Wine, Distilled Spirits, On Sale Only.
  - c. Brian Pearson, SIMPCO Assistant Transit Director, requesting board to approve funding the Siouxland Regional Transit System (SRTS) busing in the amount of \$12,000 per year to assist with the expense of 1200 rides per year in rural Dakota County. Approve accounts payable claim due June 24, 2022.
  - d. Aleisha Barclay, Pony Express Stores, requesting approval of a Special Designated Liquor License for a racing event on June 19, 2022, at Atokad Downs Racetrack from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
  - e. Heather Millard requesting county support for economic development project in rural Hubbard.
  - f. Approve Resolution 22C-011 Pledged Securities Release.
  - g. Approve Resolution 22C-012 to declare the 2004 Caterpillar as surplus to sell on Big Iron.
4. MISCELLANEOUS
  - a. Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent – Road Report
  - b. Approve appointment of part-time seasonal Weed Superintendent.
  - c. Theresa Grove, Health Department Director – quarterly Health Department report.
  - d. Board to discuss and approve to award the courthouse camera replacement project.
    - Thompson - \$27,321.14
    - Aaron Voss - \$25,860.00
    - Quality Telecommunications- \$23,999.00
  - e. Board to discuss and approve to award bids on the installation of new PBX Telephone System for the Dakota County Courthouse. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
    - Priority Communications & Solutions- \$47,938.00
    - Tri-View Communications Inc. dba Quality Telecommunications- \$41,400.00
  - f. Approve renewal of the inter-local agreement with Papio-Missouri River NRD and Dakota County for office space rental for the UNL Extension Office in Dakota County for June 1, 2022, to May 31, 2025.
  - g. Approve County Surplus Report
  - h. Approve Chair to sign the NPDES Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Notice of Intent for Small MS4s Previously Permitted (sMS4 – NOI)
  - i. Approve the Missouri River Northeast Community Wildfire Protection Plan (MRNECWPP) 2022 update
  - j. Approve project/s with monies from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) relief funding.
5. COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE REPORTS
6. MAIL AND/OR EMERGENCY BUSINESS
7. ADJOURNMENT



Chair Giese called for Public Comment on any item not on the agenda. There was none.

Chair Giese called for approval of the consent agenda—(a) approval of the May 16, 2022 minutes; (b) approval of payroll claims for hours worked May 15 - 28, 2022; (c) approval of accounts payable claims; Commissioner Gill moved, seconded by Commissioner Launsby, to approve the consent agenda items. ROLL CALL VOTE: Albenesius- yes, Launsby- yes, Giese- yes, Love- absent, Gill- yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

**Payroll – General Fund Employer:** Gross Salaries-\$163,194.15; Net Pay-\$117,059.14; Total Retirement-\$11,376.20; Total FICA-\$12,155.86; Health Plan-\$39,000.00; Dental Plan-\$1,170.00; Life Insurance-\$200.32; Larry Albenesius-\$1,152.39; Robert Giese-\$1,198.54; Janet Gill-\$1,152.39; Troy Launsby-\$952.39; Scott Love-\$1,152.39; Cherie Conley-\$1,794.98; Robin Hansen-\$1,328.42; Joan Spencer-\$2,367.92; Kathy Abbe-\$1,341.46; Dawn Bousquet-\$2,367.92; Maria Garcia-\$1,098.16; Stephanie Gatzemeyer-\$1,626.41; Jalissa Hattig-\$1,323.20; Brenda Landaverde-\$1,251.45; Samantha Mitchell-\$1,237.60; Debera Benton-\$1,320.00; Christy Abts-\$2,367.92; Melissa Collins-\$1,577.60; Joseph O'Neil-\$576.92; Karen Jimenez-\$1,549.98; Katherine Wiltgen-\$2,367.92; Louvontree Hunter-\$2,907.37; Debra Jensen-\$1,614.40; Casandra Pedroza-\$1,240.00; Kevin Hansen-\$2,137.50; Tammy Dunn Peterson-\$1,255.20; Shaun Bird-\$1,920.15; Russell Briggs-\$0.00; Sergio Castillo-\$2,932.96; Timothy Decker-\$3,518.80; Brian Ellinger-\$3,089.02; Penny Epting-\$2,641.80; Brian Fernau-\$2,671.48; Tyler Fulkerth-\$2,794.15; Brent Gilster-\$2,673.32; Martin Guerrero-\$2,807.78; Melvin Harrison III-\$2,388.69; Jason James-\$2,204.80; Douglas Johnson-\$2,412.78; Kimberly Johnson-\$215.67; Jared Junge-\$2,612.64; Christopher Kleinberg-\$2,583.09; Gregory Nyhof-\$1,869.84; Mardi Schnee-\$1,121.60; Ryne Sell-\$552.50; Sarah Hammond-\$2,178.85; Shantel Krull-\$988.80; Debra Schmiedt-\$3,476.65; Kimberly Watson-\$3,697.27; Emma Wiebelhaus-\$1,236.00; Jacob Acero-\$1,810.86; Angelica Antonio Flores-\$1,737.03; Rebecca Broer-\$1,845.35; Kacie Brown-\$1,737.88; Lacey Clark-\$1,758.03; Alexander DeLeon-\$1,825.92; Elisabet DeRoin-\$1,980.67; Jesse Doelle-\$1,674.40; Karina Flores-\$655.20; Jonathan Gray-\$1,794.17; Sara Gritten-\$1,648.17; Kara Groetken-\$1,913.09; Todd Hammer-\$2,296.80; Adam Hough-\$1,734.50; Brenda Irwin-\$1,794.40; Brandon Long-\$1,709.80; Jose Magana-\$1,758.03; Jennifer Marquez-\$433.20; Jacob McCollum-\$1,737.03; Skyler Miner-\$2,085.66; Keaton Mueller-\$1,709.80; Mark Nelson-\$1,907.00; Kelsey O'Neill-\$1,647.66; Zoey Olson-\$1,709.80; Jose Perez-\$873.60; Kimberly Peterson-\$1,937.81; Michele Rohde-\$1,537.90; Jonathan Romo-Rodriguez-\$1,703.88; Rebecca Schoep-\$1,785.86; Logan Schreiber-\$1,528.80; Jennifer Svendsen-\$2,665.53; Estrella Vazquez-\$1,742.17; Randall Walsh-\$2,412.84; Deanna Hagberg-\$2,020.14; Jolene Gubbels-\$1,895.56; Jana Adam-\$192.61; Yvette Aldana-\$1,526.46; Theresa Grove-\$2,269.23; Courtney Swick-\$1,424.50; Jacqueline Traum-\$1,334.88; Ruth Gillaspie-\$504.00; Willard Johnston-\$2,084.86; **General Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$12,181.58; State Tax-\$5,979.94; Soc Sec-\$9,851.79; Medicare-\$2,304.07; Extra Fit-\$1,201.00; Extra Sit-\$135.00; Retirement-\$7,732.17; Health Plan-\$2,100.00; Dental Plan-\$441.00; Colonial Health-\$219.59; Sheriff Union Dues-\$405.00; Colonial Life/Disability-\$54.00; Deferred Comp-\$705.00; Garnishments-\$1,178.57; Flex Plan Medical-\$948.41; VSP Vision Prem-\$418.82; Legal Shield-\$112.11; Liberty Nat'l Pretax-\$91.29; VSP Vision Base-\$75.67; **Road Fund Employer:** Gross Salaries-\$18,855.38; Net Pay-\$13,393.78; Retirement-\$1,272.75; Total FICA-\$1,387.91; Health Plan-\$5,500.00; Dental Plan-\$165.00; Life Insurance-\$27.16; Brent Byroad-\$2,524.20; Ryan Chambers-\$1,613.61; Paul Jerome Conley-\$1,692.78; Robert Hacker-\$1,637.60; Lance Jacobsen-\$1,601.60; David Kneifl-\$1,613.60; Kimon Litras-\$1,741.60; Dean Pallas-\$1,625.60; Tyler Pallas-\$1,601.60; Wilbur Peters II-\$1,601.60; Jared Vedral-\$1,601.60; **Road Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$1,404.76; State Tax-\$644.58; FICA-\$1,124.85; Medicare-\$263.06; Retirement-\$848.48; Health Plan-\$550.00; Dental Plan-\$84.00; Colonial Health-\$38.23; Garnishments-\$208.62; Road Union Dues-\$200.00; VSP Vision Prem-\$15.66; Legal Shield-\$18.41; Liberty National PreTax-\$35.23; Liberty National-\$0.00; VSP Vision Base-\$25.72; **Health Planning Grant Employer 2502:** Gross Salaries-\$1,577.60; Net Pay-\$1,132.55; Retirement-\$106.49; Total FICA-\$110.23; Health Plan-\$500.00; Dental Plan-\$15.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Jennifer Ankerstjerne-\$1,577.60; **Health Planning Grant Employee 2502:** Federal Tax-\$70.46; State Tax-\$34.76; FICA-\$89.34; Medicare-\$20.89; Extra Sit-\$5.00; Retirement-\$70.99; Dental Plan-\$21.00; Flex Plan Medical-\$100.00; VSP Vision Prem-\$15.66; Legal Shield-\$16.95; **Health Planning Grant Employer 2504:** Gross Salaries-\$1,543.20; Net Pay-\$1,201.30; Retirement-\$104.17; Total FICA-\$116.07; Health Plan-\$500.00; Dental Plan-\$15.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Yesica Saldana Cisneros-\$1,543.20; **Health Planning Grant Employee 2504:** Federal Tax-\$86.23; State Tax-\$44.28; FICA-\$94.07; Medicare-\$22.00; Retirement-\$69.44; Dental Plan-\$21.00; VSP Vision-\$4.88; **Juvenile Services Aid Employer 2507:** Gross Salaries-\$1,252.80; Net Pay-\$709.17; Retirement-\$84.56; Total FICA-\$67.46; Health Plan-\$500.00; Dental Plan-\$15.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Sarah Anderson Deck-\$1,252.80; **Juvenile Services Aid Employee 2507:** Federal Tax-\$32.54; State Tax-\$16.25; FICA-\$54.67; Medicare-\$12.79; Retirement-\$56.38; Health Plan-\$350.00; Dental Plan-\$21.00.

**Accounts Payable – General Fund:** Cholitas Party Rental, colorpalooza - \$200.00; NE Assoc of Co Clerks/Election/ROD, workshop - \$125.00; Nebraska Notary Association, notary fee - \$68.66.

Chair Giese opened the public hearing at 3:02 p.m. for the purpose receiving evidence, either orally or by affidavit from the applicant and any other person, bearing upon the propriety of the issuance of a liquor license for the following business: Old Dane, Inc., dba Landmand Golf Club, 2073 S Bluff Rd. Homer, Nebraska for a Class I Beer, Wine, Distilled Spirits, On Sale Only. No comments. Chair Giese closed the public hearing at 3:04 p.m.

Commissioner Gill moved, seconded by Commissioner Albenesius, to approve the request for a liquor license for Old Dane, Inc., dba Landmand Golf Club, 2073 S Bluff Rd. Homer, Nebraska for a Class I Beer, Wine, Distilled Spirits, On

Sale Only. ROLL CALL VOTE: Launsby- yes, Giese- yes, Love- absent, Gill- yes, Albenesius- yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Brian Pearson, SIMPCO Assistant Transit Director, requested the board to approve funding the Siouxland Regional Transit System (SRTS) busing in the amount of \$12,000 per year to assist with the expense of 1200 rides per year in rural Dakota County. Mr. Pearson clarified that all Dakota County residence would have access to this service and that they would be using a sophisticated tracking system and would provide reports to the board. Commissioner Gill moved, seconded by Commissioner Launsby to approve a 1 year commitment to Siouxland Regional Transit System (SRTS) busing in the amount of \$12,000 per year to assist with the expense of 1200 rides per year in rural Dakota County. ROLL CALL VOTE: Giese- yes, Love- absent, Gill- yes, Albenesius- yes, Launsby- yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Aleisha Barclay, Pony Express Stores, appeared requesting approval of a Special Designated Liquor License for a racing event on June 19, 2022, at Atokad Downs Racetrack from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and would be run the same as last year. Commissioner Albenesius moved, seconded by Commissioner Launsby to approve the Special Designated Liquor License for a horse racing event on June 19, 2022, at Atokad Downs Racetrack from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Gill- yes, Albenesius- yes, Launsby- yes, Giese- yes, Love- absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Heather Millard of Hubbard Ne provided a handout of the event center/restaurant/cabins she is trying to get funding to build and was requesting county support for this project which will help her obtain grants and additional resources to help with grants. Ms. Millard assured the Commissioners that no tax dollars will be used. After much discussion Chair Giese asked that Ms. Millard obtain more information and they will set up a meeting to go over the project and will then bring back before the Board with more information later.

Commissioner Gill moved, seconded by Commissioner Albenesius, to approve Resolution 20C-011 for the approval to release pledged securities at BankFirst. ROLL CALL VOTE: Albenesius- yes, Launsby- yes, Giese- yes, Love- absent, Gill- yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Launsby moved, seconded by Commissioner Giese, to approve Resolution 20C-012 to declare the 2005 Caterpillar as surplus to sell on Big Iron. ROLL CALL VOTE: Launsby- yes, Giese- yes, Love- absent, Gill- yes, Albenesius- yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent, was not present. Commissioner Launsby read the Road Report for May 15 - 28, 2022. Total road maintenance- 315.75 hours; overtime- 21 hours; tree/debris removal- 33 hours; culverts/road projects: Wigle Creek- 45 hours, S Bluff (1)- 28 hours, S Bluff (2)- 20 hours; garbage pickup- 33 hours; gravel hauling- 77 hours; total tons of gravel hauled- 1007.15; sign repair/barricading- 22 hours. Grading concerns: Elgin Ave, O Ave, Fiddler Creek, R Ave, M Ave, T Ave, gravel on Elgin Ave and 200<sup>th</sup> St.

Chair Giese informed the Board that Ron Hartnett has agreed to be the Part-Time Seasonal Weed Control Superintendent. Chair Giese moved, seconded by Commissioner Launsby to appoint Ron Hartnett as the Part-Time Seasonal Weed Control Superintendent upon the completion of testing and obtaining the required licenses from the State of Nebraska. ROLL CALL VOTE: Giese- yes, Love- absent, Gill- yes, Albenesius- yes, Launsby- yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Theresa Grove, Health Department Director, gave the following quarterly Health Department report. CDC Health Disparities Invoices: \$1,160.34, purchased bus passes, made packets with a flyer of COVID vaccination clinics, partnered with Siouxland Community Health Center and Heartland Counseling Services to provide 25 packets with two passes each. Still waiting for one additional laptop from RTI. 2 Year Contact Tracer ends November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Covid cases have dropped. Covid-19 Vaccination and off site clinics – invoices \$16,456.35. Received pickup-monthly payment is \$912.16 paid from the grant. Immunization invoices \$2,868.36. Grant dollars went from \$41,519 to \$38,454. Lead grant – waiting to receive the subaward for quarter 2. Minority Health – invoices \$14,812.76 – work plan/budget was due April 15 for 2022-2023. 535 surveys were collected. OPIOD grant – invoices \$16,565.24. Attended training in Atlanta GA and New Orleans LA. Carry over funds of \$46,000 will fund the OPIOD prevention campaign. PHAB Accreditation, PHEP/BT, Radon, West Nile Virus grants are in place. Funding updates: Covid-19 Vaccination funding received a total of \$161,769 between 5-18-2021 to 10-22-2021. Covid 19 testing collected a total of \$9,782.82 between October to April. United Health Care Building Pathways provides residents free flu vaccines. June 11, 2022 is the Colorpalooza Color run.

Camera replacement project. Jason Bogenreif with Quality Telecommunications described the replacement process. Bids were obtained from Thompson - \$27,321.14, Aaron Voss - \$25,860.00 and Quality Telecommunications- \$23,999.00. Commissioner Launsby moved, seconded by Commissioner Gill to award the camera replacement project to Quality Telecommunications for \$23,999.00. ROLL CALL VOTE: Gill- yes, Albenesius- yes, Launsby- yes, Giese- yes, Love- absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

New PBX Telephone System project. Two bids were obtained: Priority Communications & Solutions- \$47,938.00 and Tri-View Communications Inc. dba Quality Telecommunications- \$41,400.00. Chair Giese moved, seconded by

Commissioner Gill to award the bid to Tri-View Communications Inc. dba Quality Telecommunications- \$41,400.00. ROLL CALL VOTE: Albenesius- yes, Launsby- yes, Giese- yes, Love- absent, Gill- yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Launsby moved, seconded by Commissioner Gill to approve the renewal of the inter-local agreement with Papio-Missouri River NRD and Dakota County for office space rental for the UNL Extension Office in Dakota County for June 1, 2022, to May 31, 2025. ROLL CALL VOTE: Launsby- yes, Giese- yes, Love- absent, Gill- yes, Albenesius- yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Chair Giese moved, seconded by Commissioner Gill to approve the County Surplus Report, and acknowledged revenue of \$31.00. ROLL CALL VOTE: Giese- yes, Love- absent, Gill- yes, Albenesius- yes, Launsby- yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Launsby moved, seconded by Commissioner Albenesius to approve Chair to sign the NPDES Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Notice of Intent for Small MS4s Previously Permitted (sMS4 – NOI) ROLL CALL VOTE: Gill- yes, Albenesius- yes, Launsby- yes, Giese- yes, Love- absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Gill moved, seconded by Chair Giese to approve the Missouri River Northeast Community Wildfire Protection Plan (MRNECWPP) 2022 update. ROLL CALL VOTE: Albenesius- yes, Launsby- yes, Giese- yes, Love- absent, Gill- yes. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

No action was taken to name specific projects with ARPA funding. Chair Giese asked the board to be thinking of other government services this money can be used for.

Commissioner Gill reported the electronic collection went very well. Commissioner Launsby reported he attended a SIMPCO meeting. Commissioner Launsby also reported he drove by the Gordon Hansen fence and stated it was done very well and looks nice and believes the county should pay him something. Chair Giese asked Commissioner Launsby to visit with Mr. Hansen.

Chair Giese adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting of May 31, 2022, at 4:26 p.m.

Dakota County Board of Commissioners

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Robert J. Giese, Chair

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Cherie Conley, Deputy County Clerk/Secretary