

Dakota County Board of Commissioners
Monday, June 12, 2023
3:00 p.m. Business Meeting
County Board Meeting Room, First Floor
Dakota County Courthouse, Dakota City, Nebraska

Vice Chair Launsby called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The Pledge was recited at the Board of Equalization meeting prior. Present at Roll Call: Launsby, Love, Van Berkum, Hohenstein. Absent: Giese. Also present was Cherie Conley, 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*

The Dakota County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to adjust the order of items on this

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.

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 30, 2023
 - b. Approval of payroll claims for May 28 to June 10, 2023
 - c. Approval of accounts payable claims (if any)
3. NEW BUSINESS & RESOLUTIONS
 - a. 3:02 p.m. Public Hearing for the purpose of giving citizens the opportunity to offer support, opposition or make neutral comment regarding Final Plat for Cottonwood Corner Subdivision located at the Northeast ¼ of the Southeast ¼ and part of Government Lot 1 in Section 9, and part of the Northwest ¼ of the Southwest 1/4 and part of Government Lot 2 in Section 10, all in Township 29 North, Range 7 East of the 6th P.M., Dakota County, NE, together with all accretion thereto to the centerline of the main channel of the Missouri River. Location is north of Nodaway Road.
 - b. Board to approve or not approve the Final Plat for Cottonwood Corner Subdivision located at the Northeast ¼ of the Southeast ¼ and part of Government Lot 1 in Section 9, and part of the Northwest ¼ of the Southwest 1/4 and part of Government Lot 2 in Section 10, all in Township 29 North, Range 7 East of the 6th P.M., Dakota County, NE, together with all accretion thereto to the centerline of the main channel of the Missouri River. Location is north of Nodaway Road.
 - c. Julie Boyle, Nebraska Extension-Dakota County, presenting the quarterly report.
 - d. Kim Hansen, Victims Assistance, presenting the Victims Of Crime Act grant for the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2025 and requesting approval.
4. OLD BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS
 - a. Approve project/s with monies from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) relief funding.
 - Juvenile Services – RTI - TV & Mount – Educational
 - Juvenile Services – RTI - Printer/Scanner/Copier
 - Weed Department – Locking metal cabinet for chemical storage
 - Weed Department – Pickup truck/sprayer
5. COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE REPORTS
6. MAIL AND/OR EMERGENCY BUSINESS
7. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Launsby to excuse Commissioner Giese from this meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE: Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Vice Chair Launsby called for Public Comment. Dawn Bousquet, County Treasurer, asked the Board if the air conditioning can be left on over the weekends as there are times when employees are working or contractors are working.

Commissioner Launsby moved, seconded by Commissioner Van Berkum to approve the consent agenda items: a. Approval of the previous meeting minutes – May 30, 2023; b. Approval of payroll claims for May 28 to June 10, 2023; and c. Approval of accounts payable claims. ROLL CALL VOTE: Van Berkum – Yes, Hohenstein – Yes, Launsby – Yes, Love – Yes, Giese – Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Payroll: General Fund Employer: Gross Salaries-\$171,173.82; Net Pay-\$122,815.21; Total Retirement-\$11,901.54; Total FICA-\$12,695.99; Health Plan-\$43,680.00; Dental Plan-\$1,560.00; Life Insurance-\$202.48; Robert Giese-\$1,222.35; Martin Hohenstein-\$1,176.20; Troy Launsby-\$976.20; Scott Love-\$1,176.20; Brian Van Berkum-\$1,176.20; Cherie Conley-\$2,427.12; Robin Hansen-\$1,360.00; Paola Ledesma-\$1,557.88; Kathy Abbe-\$1,375.20; Dawn Bousquet-\$2,427.12; Maria Garcia-\$709.00; Stephanie Gatzemeyer-\$1,675.20; Jalissa Hattig-\$1,363.20; Brenda Landaverde-\$1,283.20; Debera Benton-\$1,360.00; Christy Abts-\$2,427.12; Melissa Collins-

\$1,967.35; Joseph O'Neil-\$576.92; Karen Jimenez-\$1,616.80; Katherine Wiltgen-\$2,427.12; Louvontree Hunter-\$3,441.59; Debra Jensen-\$1,663.20; Samantha Mitchell-\$1,280.00; Samantha Mitchell-\$191.20; Tammy Dunn Peterson-\$1,375.62; Shaun Bird-\$2,589.09; Timothy Decker-\$3,357.92; Brian Ellinger-\$2,966.26; Penny Epting-\$3,035.55; Brian Fernau-\$2,259.64; Tyler Fulkerth-\$2,877.25; Jeremy Gilpin-\$2,373.20; Martin Guerrero-\$3,066.70; Melvin Harrison III-\$3,250.59; Jason James-\$2,326.34; Douglas Johnson-\$2,485.18; Kimberly Johnson-\$247.81; Jared Junge-\$2,376.00; Christopher Kleinberg-\$3,032.28; Jose Magana-\$2,232.82; Gregory Nyhof-\$2,708.16; Jonathan Romo-Rodriguez-\$2,109.66; Mardi Schnee-\$1,158.81; Ryne Sell-\$656.80; Joshua Townsend-\$481.58; Sarah Hammond-\$2,244.21; Shantel Krull-\$1,008.00; Melinda Sandvick (Wicks)-\$1,538.46; Debra Schmiedt-\$3,580.95; Kimberly Watson-\$3,789.70; Emma Wiebelhaus-\$1,280.00; Jacob Acero-\$2,058.84; Angelica Antonio Flores-\$1,872.00; Rebecca Broer-\$1,889.61; Kacie Brown-\$2,052.13; Timathey Chamberlain-\$447.84; Lacey Clark-\$1,975.86; Leonardo Davalos-\$643.77; Ruby De La Torre-\$1,850.36; Elisabet DeRoin-\$1,924.06; Jesse Doelle-\$1,759.21; Jennifer Fuentes-\$1,842.68; Jonathan Gray-\$2,623.50; Nicole Gray-\$1,661.08; Sara Gritten-\$2,006.25; Kara Groetken-\$2,116.73; Todd Hammer-\$2,393.55; Adam Hough-\$1,853.39; Terry Johnson-\$1,690.95; Brandon Long-\$1,841.28; Jennifer Marquez-\$1,903.32; Skyler Miner-\$2,160.25; Keaton Mueller-\$2,024.80; Kelsey O'Neill-\$1,929.41; Kimberly Peterson-\$1,717.85; Adrian Ramos-\$1,782.03; Michele Rohde-\$1,514.06; Angel Ruelas Hernandez-\$746.40; Jerry Santos-\$1,738.40; Rebecca Schoep-\$2,111.58; Jennifer Svendsen-\$2,615.57; Estrella Vazquez-\$1,856.25; Randall Walsh-\$2,485.23; Deanna Hagberg-\$2,080.80; Jolene Gubbels-\$2,843.08; Scott Gubbels-\$576.92; Jana Adam-\$910.26; Jennifer Ankerstjerne-\$1,798.00; Theresa Grove-\$2,337.60; Courtney Swick-\$1,546.55; Willard Johnston-\$2,147.42; Nicholas Nieman-\$580.00; **General Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$11,322.60; State Tax-\$6,184.53; Soc Sec-\$10,289.57; Medicare-\$2,406.42; Extra Fit-\$1,316.00; Extra Sit-\$300.00; Retirement-\$8,097.89; Health Plan-\$2,700.00; Dental Plan-\$483.00; Colonial Health-\$219.59; Sheriff Union Dues-\$420.00; Colonial Life/Disability-\$54.00; Deferred Comp-\$1,240.38; Garnishments-\$1,331.06; Flex Plan Medical-\$957.31; Flex Dependent Care-\$208.33; VSP Vision Prem-\$391.87; Legal Shield-\$142.04; Liberty Nat'l Pretax-\$152.66; Liberty Nat'l Post tax-\$41.97; VSP Vision Base-\$99.39; **Road Fund Employer:** Gross Salaries-\$17,885.11; Net Pay-\$12,634.23; Retirement-\$1,207.25; Total FICA-\$1,325.72; Health Plan-\$5,600.00; Dental Plan-\$200.00; Life Insurance-\$24.61; Brent Byroad-\$2,092.22; Chad Cockburn-\$1,729.60; Robert Hacker-\$1,765.60; Lance Jacobsen-\$1,729.60; David Kneifl-\$1,753.60; Kimon Litras-\$1,974.78; Vernon McFarland II-\$1,513.40; Dean Pallas-\$1,753.60; Gunner Stanwick-\$1,729.60; Jeffrey Stanwick-\$1,843.11; **Road Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$1,154.33; State Tax-\$609.71; FICA-\$1,074.45; Medicare-\$251.27; Retirement-\$804.82; Health Plan-\$450.00; Dental Plan-\$63.00; Colonial Health-PreTax-\$38.23; Colonial Health L/D-\$35.10; Garnishments-\$530.77; Flex Plan Medical-\$0.00; Road Union Dues-\$165.00; VSP Vision Prem-\$15.34; Legal Shield-\$27.91; Liberty National PreTax-\$6.50; VSP Vision Base-\$24.45; **Health Planning Grant Employer 2502:** Gross Salaries-\$1,663.20; Net Pay-\$1,218.46; Retirement-\$112.27; Total FICA-\$126.50; Health Plan-\$560.00; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Yvette Aldana-\$1,663.20; **Health Planning Grant Employee 2502:** Federal Tax-\$117.07; State Tax-\$66.74; FICA-\$102.52; Medicare-\$23.98; Extra Fit-\$50.00; Retirement-\$74.84; Dental Plan-\$0.00; Flex Plan Medical-\$0.00; VSP Vision Prem-\$9.59; **Health Program Grant Employer 2504:** Gross Salaries-\$1,554.83; Net Pay-\$1,213.25; Retirement-\$104.95; Total FICA-\$116.72; Health Plan-\$560.00; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Yesica Saldana Cisneros-\$1,554.83; Health Program Grant Employee 2504.; Federal Tax-\$82.48; State Tax-\$43.43; FICA-\$94.60; Medicare-\$22.12; Retirement-\$69.97; Dental Plan-\$21.00; VSP Vision Base-\$7.98; **Juvenile Services Aid Employer 2507:** Gross Salaries-\$1,300.00; Net Pay-\$1,103.25; Retirement-\$87.75; Total FICA-\$99.45; Kristin Robinette-\$1,300.00; **Juvenile Services Aid Employee 2507:** Federal Tax-\$17.61; State Tax-\$21.19; FICA-\$80.60; Medicare-\$18.85; Retirement-\$58.50.

Accounts Payable: General Fund-Sheriff: HNH Auto Repair – new motor - \$7554.08.

Vice Chair Launsby, at 3:07 p.m., opened the public Hearing for the purpose of giving citizens the opportunity to offer support, opposition or make neutral comment regarding Final Plat for Cottonwood Corner Subdivision located at the Northeast ¼ of the Southeast ¼ and part of Government Lot 1 in Section 9, and part of the Northwest ¼ of the Southwest 1/4 and part of Government Lot 2 in Section 10, all in Township 29 North, Range 7 East of the 6th P.M., Dakota County, NE, together with all accretion thereto to the centerline of the main channel of the Missouri River. Location is north of Nodaway Road. Jean Broyhill of Dakota City asked where this subdivision was located and how zoned. Commissioner Hohenstein informed the property is North of Jackson along the river and is zoned residential. There were no other comments made. Vice Chair Launsby closed the public hearing at 3:09 p.m.

Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Love to approve the Final Plat for Cottonwood Corner Subdivision located at the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 and part of Government Lot 1 in Section 9, and part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 and part of Government Lot 2 in Section 10, all in Township 29 North, Range 7 East of the 6th P.M., Dakota County, NE together with all accretion thereto to the centerline of the main channel of the Missouri River. Location is north of Nodaway Road. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hohenstein – Yes, Launsby – Yes, Love – Yes, Van Berkum – Yes, Giese – Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Tammy Petersen, Nebraska Extension Dakota County, presented quarterly report. Angela Abts working with 4-H Ambassadors and clubs, Robotics, Professional Development trainings and many other programs; Julie Boyle working with ServSafe training, Disaster preparedness, Food, nutrition and health training and many other programs; and Brenda Sale working with Food Pantries, good education courses in the community and many other programs. Ms. Petersen also mentioned that she is busy getting ready for the local fair and that there are just over 100 kids enrolled in 4-H. The Commissioner's extended their thanks to the Extension Office.

Kim Hansen, Victims Assistance, present the Victims Of Crime Act grant for the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2025 and explained that the Federal funding has been cut and will only be receiving \$70,000 each year for this grant period. She will be presenting this information to the LEC Board and the City of So Sioux City. She reminded the Board that her budget is split with the City.

ARPA Fund projects and/or purchases: Kristen Robinette, Juvenile Diversion Officer, requested approval for TV and mount so she can hold educational classes for clients in a group setting. She also requested approval for a copier/printer/scanner that is more efficient than her current one she has to feed paper in one sheet at a time. Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Van Berkum to approve the quote and purchase of a TV and mount from RTI for \$521.99 and the HP Color LaserJet Pro copier/printer/scanner from RTI for \$815.00. ROLL CALL VOTE: Launsby – Yes, Love – Yes, Van Berkum – Yes, Hohenstein – Yes, Giese – Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Van Berkum to approve the Weed Superintendent, Scott Gubbels, to purchase a heavy duty metal mesh cabinet for the safe storage of chemicals. ROLL CALL VOTE: Love – Yes, Van Berkum – Yes, Hohenstein – Yes, Launsby – Yes, Giese – Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion regarding the need for the Weed Superintendent needing a reliable truck set up to be able to spray the necessary areas. Commissioner Launsby will work on getting quotes together to repair the current pickup and Commissioner Love and Hohenstein will work on getting quotes on what a new truck and set-up would cost and other sprayer quotes.

Commissioner Committee reports. Commissioner Love informed that the Building and Grounds Superintendent has been hired and will start on June 19, 2023. Commissioner Hohenstein reported that he and Commissioner Giese have met with the department heads regarding the upcoming budget year. Commissioner Launsby reported that he had attended the BOE and BOC workshops in Kearney and there is a Transportation Summit he would like to attend in August.

Commissioner Van Berkum moved, seconded by Commissioner Love to adjourn the meeting of June 12, 2023 at 3:47 p.m. All in favor.

Dakota County Board of Commissioners

Troy Launsby, Vice Chair

Cherie Conley, County Clerk/Secretary