

Dakota County Board of Commissioners
Monday, June 10, 2024 - 3:00 p.m.
County Board Meeting Room, First Floor
Dakota County Courthouse, Dakota City, Nebraska

Chair Hohenstein called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Present at Roll Call: Hohenstein, Love, Giese, Launsby. Absent: Van Berkum. Also present was Kim Watson, County Attorney and 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*

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 28, 2024
 - b. Approval of payroll claims for May 26 to June 8, 2024
 - c. Approval of payroll accounts payable claims
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3. NEW BUSINESS & RESOLUTIONS
 - a. Jon Cannon, NACO Executive Director, to present NACO updates.
 - b. Rodney Reisdorph requesting permission to close Stable Drive to hold car show event *Scene of the Crash* being held at the Dakota-Thurston County fairgrounds for the dates of July 19th at 8:00 a.m. to July 21st at 10:00 a.m. and use Road Department barricades.
 - c. Greg Utech, Dakota-Thurston County Fair Board, requesting approval of Special Designated Liquor Licenses for the following events: Thursday, August 1st - Tractor Pull; Friday August 2nd – Figure 8 Racing; and Saturday, August 3rd - Extreme Bull Riding, and Cornhole Tournament.
 - d. Cherie Conley, Dakota-Thurston County Fair Board, requesting approval to close a portion of Stable Drive for safety of fair attendees from Wednesday, July 31st to Sunday, August 4th, approval to use Road Department barricades, and approval to apply mag-water on a portion of Stable Drive from Gateway Drive to East fair entrance for dust control.
 - e. Board to approve new lease agreement for the postage machine with Quadiant due to a mandatory machine upgrade by the USPS going into effect July 1, 2024.
 - f. Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent – Road Department requesting approval to re-establish property lines in front of the road department to give County proper access to County Shop.
4. OLD BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS
 - a. Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent – Road Report
 - b. Jeff Dooley, CEC, to present 30 percent plans on Likuwanta Improvement Design for discussion.
 - c. Approve project/s with monies from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) relief funding.
 - Curry Flooring – balance owed for courthouse flooring done in 2021.
 - Jail Booking Countertop – Menards – Elisabet DeRoin
5. COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE REPORTS
6. MAIL AND/OR EMERGENCY BUSINESS
7. ADJOURNMENT

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

Chair Hohenstein called for public comment.

Walter Beermann, presented the Board with a portion of statute 37-333 regarding meandered lakes; beds; dedication to public use commission authorized to improve; jurisdiction and a document about public trust doctrine and talked more about the Crystal Lake project he is working on.

Dave Krusemark, Waterbury, presented documents with photos of the flooding that happens during heavy rains on T Avenue between 170th and 185th Streets stating the culvert is not big enough to handle the amount of water and a study was done in 2018 indicating a larger culvert would likely be needed. This is on the Dakota/Dixon County line, and he will be attending Dixon County meeting as well.

Glen Meyer, candidate for District 17 Legislature, thanked the Board for their support and asked for continued support in the upcoming General Election.

Chair Hohenstein called for approval of the consent agenda items. Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Giese to approve the consent agenda items: a) Approval of the previous meeting minutes – May 28, 2024; b) Approval of payroll claims for May 26 to June 8, 2024; c) Approval of payroll accounts payable claims; d) Approval of accounts payable claims; ROLL CALL VOTE: Giese-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Payroll: General Fund Employer: Gross Salaries-\$186,208.93; Net Pay-\$131,995.18; Total Retirement-\$13,531.49; Total FICA-\$13,724.18; Health Plan-\$44,240.00; Dental Plan-\$1,580.00; Life Insurance-\$208.22; Robert Giese-\$1,200.60; Martin Hohenstein-\$1,246.75; Troy Launsby-\$1,000.60; Scott Love-\$1,200.60; Brian Van Berkum-\$1,200.60; Cherie Conley-\$2,487.80; Robin Hansen-\$1,460.81; Paola Ledesma-\$1,604.49; Kathy Abbe-\$1,444.80; Dawn Bousquet-\$2,487.80; Maria Garcia-\$1,294.40; Stephanie Gatzemeyer-\$1,747.17; Jalissa Hattig-\$1,444.00; Brenda Landaverde-\$1,365.60; Emily McNaughton-\$368.10; Debera Benton-\$1,480.81; Christy Abts-\$2,487.80; Melissa Collins-\$1,748.24; Joseph O'Neil-\$611.54; Karen Becerra-\$1,671.60; Katherine Wiltgen-\$2,487.80; Louvontree Hunter-\$3,527.63; Debra Jensen-\$1,712.80; Samantha Mitchell-\$1,325.60; Rodney Soole-\$2,307.20; Tammy Dunn Peterson-\$1,580.37; Angelica Antonio Flores-\$2,514.40; Shaun Bird-\$2,965.82; Russell Briggs-\$0.00; Timothy Decker-\$2,660.37; Brian Ellinger-\$2,864.68; Penny Epting-\$4,304.89; Brian Fernau-\$2,652.37; Tyler Fulkerth-\$2,861.40; Jeremy Gilpin-\$3,185.17; Martin Guerrero-\$3,697.89; Melvin Harrison III-\$3,194.10; Jason James-\$3,169.38; Kimberly Johnson-\$695.20; Jared Junge-\$2,445.60; Christopher Kleinberg-\$3,108.08; Jose Magana-\$3,006.30; Keaton Mueller-\$2,412.94; Gregory Nyhof-\$3,031.60; Jonathan Romo-Rodriguez-\$3,664.18; Mardi Schnee-\$1,356.16; Ryne Sell-\$1,477.23; Sarah Hammond-\$2,311.54; Shantel Krull-\$1,093.75; Melinda Sandvick (Wicks)-\$1,846.15; Debra Schmiedt-\$3,760.38; Kimberly Watson-\$3,884.44; Emma Wiebelhaus-\$1,400.00; Jacob Acero-\$1,723.20; Shaelee Barreras-\$212.06; Dillon Blackbird Villacres-\$1,742.76; Rebecca Broer-\$1,970.30; Ismael Castro-\$1,836.48; Timathey Chamberlain-\$1,850.83; Charlotte Coleman-\$465.12; Chassidy Compton-\$1,836.48; Ruby De La Torre-\$1,679.16; Elisabet DeRoin-\$2,255.82; Cody Epting-\$1,972.32; Rebekah Epting-\$1,969.32; Jennifer Fuentes-\$2,021.41; Jonathan Gray-\$2,403.33; Kara Groetken-\$2,184.18; Todd Hammer-\$2,494.44; Adam Hough-\$1,864.78; Dustin Johnson-\$1,857.48; Terry Johnson-\$2,183.60; Brandon Long-\$2,158.39; Jennifer Marquez-\$2,005.32; Skyler Miner-\$2,062.77; Kelsey O'Neill-\$2,293.39; Jaime Perez-Rojas-\$765.20; Kimberly Peterson-\$1,808.68; Nathaniel Ramirez-\$1,935.18; Michele Rohde-\$2,008.31; Angel Ruelas Hernandez-\$765.20; Jeremy Russell-\$2,118.73; Jerry Santos-\$1,700.59; Jennifer Svendsen-\$3,642.29; Randall Walsh-\$2,560.17; Deanna Hagberg-\$2,143.20; Jolene Gubbels-\$2,127.75; Jana Adam-\$691.15; Jennifer Ankerstjerne-\$1,775.20; Theresa Grove-\$2,408.00; Johanna Marquez-\$1,192.00; Courtney Swick-\$1,464.59; Nicholas Nieman-\$2,000.22; **General Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$12,302.94; State Tax-\$6,431.61; Soc Sec-\$11,122.84; Medicare-\$2,601.34; Extra Fit-\$1,521.00; Extra Sit-\$435.00; Retirement-\$9,409.45; Health Plan-\$4,000.00; Dental Plan-\$546.00; Colonial Health-\$228.18; Sheriff Union Dues-\$495.00; Colonial Life/Disability-\$54.00; Deferred Comp-\$1,550.00; Garnishments-\$1,331.06; Flex Plan Medical-\$975.87; Flex Dependent Care-\$416.66; VSP Vision Prem-\$414.62; Legal Shield-\$109.11; Liberty Nat'l Pretax-\$112.05; Liberty Nat'l Post tax-\$41.96; VSP Vision Base-\$115.06; **Road Fund Employer:** Gross Salaries-\$21,105.00; Net Pay-\$15,617.21; Retirement-\$1,424.59; Total FICA-\$1,548.97; Health Plan-\$5,600.00; Dental Plan-\$200.00; Life Insurance-\$24.61; Chet Bottorff-\$1,736.00; Emil Girard-\$1,816.00; Robert Hacker-\$1,852.00; Lance Jacobsen-\$2,160.00; Scott Jorgneson-\$1,589.00; David Kneifl-\$1,840.00; Daniel Konrad Lisenbee-\$1,816.00; Kimon Litras-\$1,876.00; Dean Pallas-\$1,920.00; Gunner Stanwick-\$1,816.00; Jeffrey Stanwick-\$1,816.00; Scott Stolze-\$868.00; **Road Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$1,194.39; State Tax-\$684.85; FICA-\$1,255.39; Medicare-\$293.58; Retirement-\$949.73; Health Plan-\$550.00; Dental Plan-\$63.00; Colonial Health-PreTax-\$38.23; Colonial Health L/D-\$47.71; Flex Plan Medical-\$108.69; Road Union Dues-\$165.00; VSP Vision Prem-\$50.16; Legal Shield-\$40.37; Liberty National PreTax-\$6.50; VSP Vision Base-\$40.19; **Health Planning Grant Employer 2502:** Gross Salaries-\$1,516.13; Net Pay-\$1,109.94; Retirement-\$102.34; Total FICA-\$115.98; Health Plan-\$560.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Chloe Coover-\$1,516.13; **Health Planning Grant Employee 2502:** Federal Tax-\$161.63; State Tax-\$55.35; FICA-\$94.00; Medicare-\$21.98; Extra Fit-\$5.00; Retirement-\$68.23; **Health Program Grant Employer 2504:** Gross Salaries-\$1,663.20; Net Pay-\$1,290.86; Retirement-\$112.27; Total FICA-\$124.43; Health Plan-\$560.00; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Yesica Saldana Cisneros-\$1,663.20; **Health Program Grant Employee 2504:** Federal Tax-\$90.05; State Tax-\$46.36; FICA-\$100.85; Medicare-\$23.58; Retirement-\$74.84; Dental Plan-\$21.00; VSP Vision Base-\$15.66; **Juvenile Services Aid Employer 2507:** Gross Salaries-\$1,560.00; Net Pay-\$1,268.49; Retirement-\$105.30; Total FICA-\$115.80; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Kristin Robinette-\$1,560.00; **Juvenile Services Aid Employee 2507:** Federal Tax-\$32.05; State Tax-\$27.22; FICA-\$93.85; Medicare-\$21.95; Retirement-\$70.20; Dental Plan-\$21.00; VSP Vision Prem-\$25.24; **Payroll Accounts Payable: General Fund:** Collection Service Center, garnishment-\$564.45; Colonial Life & Accident, life insurance premium-\$282.18; Dental Account, premium-\$2,126.00; FSA Dep Care - \$416.66; FSA Medical - \$975.87; Health Plan, premium-\$48,240.00; Fraternal Order of Police #49, union dues-\$495.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$13,823.94; Globe Life Liberty, premium-\$154.04; Legalshield, premium-\$109.14; Life Insurance, premium-\$208.22; Nationwide Retirement Solutions, contributions-\$1,550.00; Nebraska Child Support, garnishments-\$766.61; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$6,866.61; Principal Life, premium-\$2533.85; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$20,940.94; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$27,448.36; VSP, premium-\$529.68. **Road Fund:** Colonial Life & Accident, life insurance premium-\$85.94; Dental Account, premium-\$263.00; FSA Medical - \$108.69; Health Plan, premium-\$6,150.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$1,194.39; Globe Life Liberty, premium-\$6.50; Legalshield, premium-\$40.37; Life Insurance, premium-\$24.61; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$684.85; Nebraska Public Empl Local 251, union dues-\$165.00; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$2,374.32; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$3,097.94; VSP, premium-\$90.35; **Insurance Fund 1275:** Mid-American Benefits, admin fees -

\$32,969.78; Mid-American Benefits-medical claims \$15,503.55; IRS, PICORI fees-\$318.00; **Health Fund 2502:** Medical Account, premium-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$166.63; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$55.35; Principal Life, premiums-\$22.98; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$170.57; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$231.96; **Health Fund 2504:** Dental Account, premium-\$41.00; Health Plan, premium-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$90.05; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$46.36; Principal Life, premiums-\$24.90; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$187.11; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$248.86; VSP, premium-\$15.66; **Juvenile Services Fund 2507:** Dental Account, premium-\$41.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$32.05; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$27.22; Principal Life, premiums-\$22.10; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$175.50; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$231.60; VSP, premium-\$25.24.

Accounts Payable: United States Treasury-IRS, PICORI fees – 318.00.

Jon Cannon, NACO Executive Director, presented to the Board updates from NACO. He informed that NACO works for the counties and offers many resources and educational opportunities. He talked about the legislative sessions and thanked the Board for their support during the inheritance tax issue. NACO worked with Zelle on compiling a salary study of elected officials and employees and would be sharing that with the county.

Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Love to approve the request of Rodney Reisdorph, to close Stable Drive for the car show event *Scene of the Crash* being held at the Dakota-Thurston County fairgrounds for the dates of July 19th at 8:00 a.m. to July 21st at 10:00 a.m. and use Road Department barricades. ROLL CALL VOTE: Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Giese-Yes, Van Berkum-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Launsby to approve the request of the Dakota-Thurston County Fair Board for Special Designated Liquor Licenses for the events held during the fair for Thursday, August 1st - Tractor Pull; Friday August 2nd – Figure 8 Racing; and Saturday, August 3rd - Extreme Bull Riding and a Cornhole Tournament. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Giese-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Van Berkum-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

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Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Hohenstein to approve a new lease agreement with Quadient for Postage Machine IX-7 DS due to the USPS IMI standard mandatory changes. ROLL CALL VOTE: Giese-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent, explained there are issues with the property lines of the County Road Shop and requests Board approval to move forward with re-establishing property lines and possibly purchasing right-of-way land. Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Love to approve the road department with having the property lines for the County Shop evaluated and re-established and purchasing the property needed for right-of-way access to the shop. ROLL CALL VOTE: Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Giese-Yes, Van Berkum-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent, introduced Scott Stolze, newly hired for the Weed/Sign position. Mr. Stolze informed the Board he had sprayed 36 miles of roads and documented approximately 37 miles of signs. Road Report for May 28 to June 8, 2024. Total Road Maintenance – 278 hours, Tree/Debris removal – 30.5 hours; Magnet - 4 hours, Road drag – 4 hours, Gravel hauling – 128 hours, 471.25 tons hauled, Sign repair – 40 hours. Road concerns: Nodaway Road, L Ave, Sivill Way, 207th St and Gravel: Perry Ave, O Ave, 250th St. Ms. Gubbels reported that a representative with Envirotech will be coming from Colorado to examine M Avenue and propose a resolution of the issue.

Jeff Dooley and Brett Langley, CEC, presented plans for the Likuwanta Improvement project. They indicated that some land acquisition may be needed. Four (4) options for the curve in the Likuwanta road from highway to development were discussed. For the safety of those using the road CEC recommended option 1 putting in stop signs and a 30 mph speed zone. They presented the temporary access road they will be putting in during construction and the possible storm sewer crossing location. Gene Mari, Subdivision owner, advised that he is willing to work with the engineers. The Board agreed with the recommendations of the CEC engineers and look forward to this project moving forward. CEC informed they are still on target to the bidding by the end of August.

Chair Hohenstein called for approval of ARPA funded projects.

Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Giese to approve paying the Curry Flooring balance for floor work done in the Treasurer's office back in 2021 in the amount of \$629.50 using ARPA funds. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hohenstein-Yes, Love-No, Giese-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Van Berkum-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Giese to approve the quotes from Menards for the countertops in the Jail booking and common areas in the amount of \$ 8,759.45 using ARPA funds. ROLL CALL VOTE: Love-Yes, Giese-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Van Berkum-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Committee Reports. None
Mail and/or Emergency Business – None.

Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Giese to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Chair Hohenstein adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting of June 10, 2024, at 4:34 p.m.

Dakota County Board of Commissioners

Martin Hohenstein, Chair

Cherie Conley, County Clerk/Board Secretary