

Dakota County Board of Commissioners
Monday, December 9, 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, Van Berkum, Launsby. Absent: Giese. 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 – November 25, 2024
 - b. Approval of payroll claims for November 24, 2024 to December 7, 2024
 - c. Approval of payroll accounts payable claims
 - d. Approval of accounts payable claims(if any)
3. NEW BUSINESS AND RESOLUTION
 - a. Kristin Robinette, Juvenile Diversion Coordinator, requesting approval for the FY2026 Juvenile Diversion Grant for the period of 7/1/2025 to 6/30/2026
 - b. Nebraska Extension Office/Dakota County to give quarterly updates.
 - c. Board to review and award bid for Road Department lease purchase of a Wheel Loader.
 - d. Board to review and award bid for Road Department lease purchase of a Motor Grader (250+ variable horsepower, all-wheel drive).
 - e. Todd Uhl, Jail Maintenance and Jack Carlson, Albireo Energy, presenting maintenance/service agreement on the Jail Smoke Evac System and requesting Board approval.
 - f. Board to discuss and decide on monetarily supporting the proposed Heartland Counseling new Crisis Stabilization Unit and where the funds would come from.
 - g. Sheriff's Department – Chief Deputy Tim Decker, requesting approval of lease purchase agreement for one (1) 2024 Chevy Tahoe and two (2) 2024 Chevy Silverado's. Resolution 24C-031
 - h. Approval of Resolution 24C-030 Agreement with Nebraska DOT Project NH-35-4(127) to improve Highway 35 from Hubbard to Dakota City and the closure of N-35 and G Avenue intersection requiring local traffic to be detoured. N-35 through traffic will not be detoured.
 - i. Borad to approve or deny giving Highway Superintendent, Jolene Gubbels, permission to sed out letters to landowners who have obstructions in the County right-of-way as needed.
4. OLD BUSINESS AND MISCELLANEOUS
 - a. Jolene Gubbels, Highway Superintendent – Road Report
 - b. Commissioner Launsby – Olson Farms Invoices for trees and dirt work discussion and decision.
 - c. Discuss and approve or deny project/s and purchases with monies from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) relief funding. (these are listed in order request received) Available funds \$
 - Board to review and approve/deny quotes for road projects – culverts
 - Board to review and approve/deny quotes for road projects – gravel
 - Board to review and approve/deny quotes for road shop door
 - Board to review and approve/deny quote for courthouse bathroom updates
 - Board to review and approve/deny quote for Health Department floor repairs
 - Board to review and approve/deny quotes for Jail HVAC repairs
 - Board to review and approve/deny quotes for Jail Safety repairs for Shut-Off Valves
 - Board to review and approve/deny quotes for Jail Safety repairs for Platforms to access the lofts
 - Board to review and approve/deny quote for Sheriff Dept Body Cameras
5. COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE REPORTS
6. MAIL AND/OR EMERGENCY BUSINESS
7. ADJOURNMENT

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

Chair Hohenstein called for Public Comment on any item not on the agenda.

Bill Haafke, 637 Likuwanta Drive, indicated that there could be a big problem with the water service lines not being deep enough underground now and pipes will freeze. He is unhappy about the steep ditches, rocks on the edge of the road and the drainage. Asked the Board to check into and fix the possibility of the water lines freezing.

Walter Beerman, Likuwanta Drive, expressed his concerns again regarding the slope of the ditches and safety for mowing with a zero turn mower. Provided a sketch he drew and some guidelines for a zero turn mower. Commissioner Love expressed his thoughts on the ditches, mowing and feels all the residents along Likuwanta should thank Gene Mari for the paved road. Mr. Beerman also stated that there is a portion of the ditch where water does not drain away.

Chair Hohenstein advised that he went through the payroll claims and Treasurer, Stephanie Gatzemeyer has requested giving 4 of her employees a pay increase. Chair had advised her that normally pay increases are usually only given once a year. Treasurer Gatzemeyer stated it is in her budget due to a shift in employees, and she feels they deserve it. Commissioner Love feels the Board should follow normal protocol. Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Hohenstein to approve the consent agenda items: (a) approval of the previous meeting minutes – November 25, 2024; (b) approval of payroll claims for November 24 to December 7, 2024, not approving pay increases in Treasurer's office; (c) approval of payroll accounts payable claims; (d) approval of accounts payable claims (if any). ROLL CALL VOTE: Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Payroll: General Fund: Gross Salaries-\$202,992.68; Net Pay-\$143,702.59; Total Retirement-\$14,787.79; Total FICA-\$15,027.60; Health Plan-\$45,920.00; Dental Plan-\$1,640.00; Life Insurance-\$215.49; 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-\$1,519.20; Paola Ledesma-\$1,624.81; Kathy Abbe-\$1,502.40; Khen Chu-\$640.00; Maria Garcia-\$1,346.40; Stephanie Gatzemeyer-\$2,487.80; Jalissa Hattig-\$1,616.80; Brenda Landaverde-\$1,420.00; Emily McNaughton-\$1,346.40; Debera Benton-\$1,540.00; Christy Abts-\$2,487.80; Melissa Collins-\$1,806.87; Joseph O'Neil-\$636.00; Karen Becerra-\$1,677.60; Katherine Wiltgen-\$2,487.80; Louvontree Hunter-\$3,527.63; Debra Jensen-\$1,781.60; Samantha Mitchell-\$1,378.40; Rodney Soole-\$2,307.20; Todd Uhl-\$2,112.00; Tammy Dunn Peterson-\$1,599.62; Angelica Antonio Flores-\$2,173.50; Shaun Bird-\$3,581.44; Timothy Decker-\$3,458.45; Brian Ellinger-\$3,305.87; Penny Epting-\$3,621.92; Brian Fernau-\$2,468.80; Tyler Fulkerth-\$3,008.02; Jeremy Gilpin-\$2,665.80; Martin Guerrero-\$4,024.24; Melvin Harrison III-\$3,788.65; Jason James-\$4,164.88; Kimberly Johnson-\$805.20; Jared Junge-\$2,595.45; Jaime Keatts-\$0.00; Christopher Kleinberg-\$3,108.08; Jose Magana-\$4,236.24; Keaton Mueller-\$3,127.55; Gregory Nyhof-\$3,547.50; Jonathan Romo-Rodriguez-\$3,059.00; Mardi Schnee-\$1,397.78; Ryne Sell-\$1,155.83; Sarah Hammond-\$2,311.54; Shantel Krull-\$1,301.30; Debra Schmiedt-\$3,760.38; Kimberly Watson-\$3,884.44; Alexandra Wolf-\$1,104.00; Jacob Acero-\$1,818.98; Summer Adair-\$1,808.16; Shaelee Barreras-\$2,400.00; Dillon Blackbird Villacres-\$2,067.24; Rebecca Broer-\$2,235.60; Ismael Castro-\$1,971.12; Timathey Chamberlain-\$2,373.96; Charlotte Coleman-\$865.04; Ruby De La Torre-\$2,065.45; Adilene Delgadillo Alvarez-\$705.90; Elisabet DeRoin-\$2,346.05; Cody Epting-\$2,373.96; Rebekah Epting-\$2,748.48; Jennifer Fuentes-\$2,695.07; Jonathan Gray-\$2,006.08; Kara Groetken-\$1,875.20; McKenna Hammer-\$1,574.68; Todd Hammer-\$2,536.11; Adam Hough-\$1,920.00; Dustin Johnson-\$1,993.44; Terry Johnson-\$2,054.89; Brandon Long-\$2,740.08; Jennifer Marquez-\$2,722.60; Skyler Miner-\$1,947.60; Kelsey O'Neill-\$2,661.49; Jaime Perez-Rojas-\$1,909.36; Kimberly Peterson-\$1,874.57; Cesar Ponce Robles-\$1,828.50; Michele Rohde-\$1,715.46; Jeremy Russell-\$2,352.96; Jerry Santos-\$2,426.14; Jennifer Svendsen-\$2,609.20; Armando Valerio-\$1,829.16; Randall Walsh-\$2,662.58; Deanna Hagberg-\$2,266.37; Jolene Gubbels-\$2,383.73; Jennifer Ankerstjerne-\$1,892.56; Theresa Grove-\$2,529.60; Johanna Marquez-\$1,331.20; Courtney Swick-\$1,535.08; Nicholas Nieman-\$2,499.89; **General Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$13,896.81; State Tax-\$7,273.62; Soc Sec-\$12,179.23; Medicare-\$2,848.37; Extra Fit-\$1,481.00; Extra Sit-\$425.00; Retirement-\$10,273.79; Health Plan-\$4,000.00; Dental Plan-\$567.00; Colonial Health-\$194.73; Sheriff Union Dues-\$850.00; Colonial Life/Disability-\$54.00; Deferred Comp-\$1,950.00; Garnishments-\$1,331.06; Flex Plan Medical-\$925.87; Flex Dependent Care-\$208.33; VSP Vision Prem-\$401.22; Legal Shield-\$128.61; Liberty Nat'l Pretax-\$112.05; Liberty Nat'l Post tax-\$41.96; VSP Vision Base-\$147.44; **Road Fund Employer:** Gross Salaries-\$19,299.94; Net Pay-\$14,119.74; Retirement-\$1,302.71; Total FICA-\$1,431.67; Health Plan-\$5,040.00; Dental Plan-\$180.00; Life Insurance-\$22.06; Robert Hacker-\$1,960.80; Lance Jacobsen-\$2,246.40; Scott Jorgneson-\$1,924.80; David Kneifl-\$1,948.80; Kimon Litras-\$1,984.80; Tanya Orr-\$1,660.32; Dean Pallas-\$2,028.80; Colton Stallbaum-\$1,775.62; Gunner Stanwick-\$1,924.80; Scott Stolze-\$1,844.80; **Road Fund Employee:** Federal Tax-\$1,297.07; State Tax-\$659.80; FICA-\$1,160.31; Medicare-\$271.36; Extra Fit-\$25.00; Retirement-\$868.52; Health Plan-\$450.00; Dental Plan-\$63.00; Colonial Health-PreTax-\$38.23; Colonial Health L/D-\$35.10; Road Union Dues-\$192.50; VSP Vision Prem-\$19.16; Legal Shield-\$58.34; Liberty National PreTax-\$6.50; VSP Vision Base-\$35.31; **Health Planning Grant Employer 2502:** Gross Salaries-\$1,622.40; Net Pay-\$1,254.28; Retirement-\$109.51; Total FICA-\$124.11; Health Plan-\$560.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Chloe Coover-\$1,622.40; Health Planning Grant Employee 2502.; Federal Tax-\$109.62; State Tax-\$61.38; FICA-\$100.59; Medicare-\$23.52; Retirement-\$73.01; **Health Program Grant Employer 2504:** Gross Salaries-\$1,795.13; Net Pay-\$1,392.59; Retirement-\$118.58; Total FICA-\$134.53; Health Plan-\$560.00; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Mohamud Ibrahim-\$38.33; Yesica Saldana Cisneros-\$1,756.80; **Health Program Grant Employee 2504:** Federal Tax-\$100.78; State Tax-\$51.51; FICA-\$109.03; Medicare-\$25.50; Retirement-\$79.06; Dental Plan-\$21.00; VSP Vision Base-\$15.66; **Juvenile Services Aid Employer 2507:** Gross Salaries-\$1,728.00; Net Pay-\$1,429.28; Retirement-\$116.64; Total FICA-\$129.38; Dental Plan-\$20.00; Life Insurance-\$2.55; Kristin Robinette-\$1,728.00; **Juvenile Services Aid Employee 2507:** Federal Tax-\$0.00; State Tax-\$54.92; FICA-\$104.86; Medicare-\$24.52; Retirement-\$77.76; Dental Plan-\$21.00; VSP Vision Prem-\$15.66;

Payroll Accounts Payable: General Fund: Collection Service Center, garnishment-\$564.45; Colonial Life & Accident, life insurance premium-\$248.73; Dental Account, premium-\$2,207.00; FSA Dep Care - \$208.33; FSA Medical - \$925.87; Health Plan, premium-\$49,920.00; Fraternal Order of Police #49, union dues-\$850.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$15,377.81; Globe Life Liberty, premium-\$154.04; Legalshield, premium-\$128.64; Life Insurance, premium-\$215.49; Nationwide Retirement Solutions, contributions-\$1,950.00; Nebraska Child Support, garnishments-\$766.61; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$7,698.62; Point C COE- admin fees - \$75.00; Principal Life – premiums - \$2,565.50; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$25,061.58; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$30,055.20; VSP, premium-\$548.66. **Road Fund:** Colonial Life & Accident, life insurance premium-\$73.33; Dental Account, premium-\$243.00; Health Plan, premium-\$5,490.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$1,322.07; Globe Life Liberty, premium-\$6.50; Legalshield, premium-\$58.36; Life Insurance, premium-\$22.06; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$659.80; Nebraska Public Empl Local 251, union dues-\$192.50; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$2,171.23; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$2,863.34; VSP, premium-\$54.47; **Insurance Fund 1275:** Mid-American Benefits, admin fees - \$31,133.02; Mid-American Benefits, medical claims-\$26,836.12; Point C FSA – withdrawals - \$4,382.16; VSP- COBRA pymt - \$38.34; **Health Fund 2502:** Medical Account, premium-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$109.62; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$61.38; Principal Life, premium - \$23.90; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$182.52; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$248.22; **Health Fund 2504:** Dental Account, premium-\$41.00; Health Plan, premium-\$560.00; Federal Withholding, federal taxes-\$100.78; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$51.51; Principal Life, premium - \$25.88; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$197.64; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$269.06; VSP, premium-\$15.66; **Juvenile Services Fund 2507:** Dental Account, premium-\$41.00; Life Insurance, premium-\$2.55; Neb Dept of Revenue, state taxes-\$54.92; Principal Life, premium-\$23.87; Ameritas Retirement, contributions-\$194.40; Social Security, FICA & MEDI-\$258.76; VSP, premium-\$15.66.

Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Van Berkum to approve Board Chair to sign Juvenile Diversion Coordinator, Kristin Robinette's FY2026 Juvenile Diversion Grant for the period of 7/1/2025 to 6/30/2026 in the amount of \$83,185.00. ROLL CALL VOTE: Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Tammy Peterson, Nebraska Extension Office/Dakota County gave a quarterly report of the many projects being offered through their office to the residents and schools of Dakota County.

Chair Hohenstein stated the Board has previously given funds to Northeast Community College in support of their expansion and to the center for Growing Community Connections should it get the funding using Inheritance Tax funds. Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Love to pledge from the Inheritance Tax Fund \$25,000 in support of the proposed Heartland Counseling new Crisis Stabilization Unit. ROLL CALL VOTE: Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Lance Jacobsen, Road Foreman, presented the bids received for the lease purchase of a Wheel Loader: Zeigler Cat – 2025 CAT 950GC 241 HP - \$267,710.08; Murphy Tractor – 2025 John Deer 644P 249 net HP - \$322,800.00; Titan Machinery Inc – 2025 Case 921G 255 HP - \$244,477.00 and Road Machinery & Supplies Co – 2024 Komatsu WA380-8 192 HP- \$286,804.57. Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Hohenstein to award the bid to Titan Machinery Inc. for a 2025 Case 921G 255 HP for \$244,477.00 through a lease purchase. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Lance Jacobsen, Road Foreman, presented the bids received for the lease purchase of a Motor Grader (250+ variable horsepower, all-wheel drive): Ziegler Cat – 2025 Cat 150AWD 272 HP - \$449,692.72; Ziegler Cat – 2025 Cat 140AWD 252 HP - \$417,917.54, and Murphy Tractor – 2025 John Deer 772 GP 275 HP - \$414,095.00. There was discussion regarding the pros and cons of each machine and request to add the Premium Circle to the Murphy John Deer in the amount of \$14,000. Commissioner Launsby moved, seconded by Commissioner Love to award the bid to Murphy Tractor for the 2025 John Deer 772 GP 275 HP motor grader \$414,095.00 and add the Premium Circle for \$14,000.00 = \$428,095.00 through a lease purchase. ROLL CALL VOTE: Love-Yes, Van Berkum-No, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Giese-Absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Todd Uhl, Jail Maintenance and Jack Carlson, Albireo Energy, presenting maintenance/service agreement on the Jail Smoke Evac System and requesting Board approval. Moved to next agenda.

Sheriff's Department – Chief Deputy Tim Decker, requesting approval of lease purchase agreement for one (1) 2024 Chevy Tahoe and two (2) 2024 Chevy Silverado's - Resolution 24C-031. Stated where vehicles are being purchased they will install all the equipment needed for patrol units. Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Van Berkum to approve Resolution 24C-031 Lease Purchase agreement for the purchase of one (1) 2024 Chevy Tahoe and two (2) 2024 Chevy Silverado's. ROLL CALL VOTE: Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

**THE COUNTY OF DAKOTA, NEBRASKA
RESOLUTION NO. 24C-031**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING, ADOPTING, RATIFYING AND AFFIRMING THE EXECUTION AND PERFORMANCE OF A LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH NACO LEASING CORPORATION FOR ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of The County of Dakota, Nebraska (the "County"), that this Board hereby approves and authorizes the acquisition of sheriff vehicles by the County through a Lease-Purchase Agreement with NACO Leasing Corporation. The Lease-Purchase Agreement shall include the following terms, with such changes as are deemed reasonable or necessary by the Chair of the Board of Commissioners.

1. Principal Amount: \$256,408.42
2. Interest Rate: 4.150%
3. Payment Amount: Not to exceed \$22,914.94
4. Term: December 19, 2024 through December 15, 2027

Payment Frequency: quarterly on March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15, beginning March 15, 2025

Settlement and closing of the Lease-Purchase Agreement shall be on or about December 19, 2024. NACO Leasing Corporation shall send payment to the equipment vendor or owner for acquisition of the property on the date on which NACO Leasing Corporation receives the signed Lease-Purchase Agreement and accompanying documents from the County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair or Vice Chair of the Board of Commissioners and the County Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to sign the Lease-Purchase Agreement and related certificates and documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax-Exempt Financing Compliance Procedure presented to the Board is hereby adopted and approved.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and all resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, are to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed. This Resolution may be executed by electronic transmission and shall be regarded as an original.

PASSED: December 9, 2024, at Dakota City, Dakota County, Nebraska.

Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Launsby to approve Resolution 24C-030 Agreement with Nebraska DOT Project NH-35-4(127) to improve Highway 35 from Hubbard to Dakota City and the closure of N-35 and G Avenue intersection requiring local traffic to be detoured. N-35 through traffic will not be detoured. ROLL CALL VOTE: Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DAKOTA COUNTY, NEBRASKA
RESOLUTION 24C-030**

**AGREEMENT WITH NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
PROJECT NO. NH-35-4(127)
HUBBARD TO DAKOTA CITY**

WHEREAS, as resolution adopting and approving the execution of an agreement with the Department of Transportation of the State of Nebraska for Project No. NH-35-4(127), Control No. 32150A, Agreement no. XL2420, Project Name: SW of Hubbard-US-74/77 Local Traffic Detour;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Dakota County, Nebraska, that:

1. The County shall enter into an Agency Agreement with the Nebraska Department of Transportation for Project No. NH-35-4(127) for the purpose of a local traffic detour within the corporate limits of Dakota County.
2. The Chairman of the County Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement on behalf of Dakota County.
3. This resolution will be marked Exhibit "C" and a copy attached to the Original Agreement.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of December, 2024.

Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Hohenstein to approve Highway Superintendent, Jolene Gubbels, sending out letters to landowners who have obstructions in the County right-of-way as needed. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Lance Jacobsen, Road Foreman, presented the Road Report for November 24, 2024 to December 7, 2024. Total road maintenance-78 hours; Overtime hours-3 hours; Tree/Debris removal-122 hours; Culverts/Rd projects-3 hours 260th and M Ave, 2 hours S Ave and 3 hours 110th; Salt and Sanding-4.5 hours; Garbage pickup-1hour; Magnet-8 hours; Gravel Hauling-82 hours; total tons hauled-256.43; Sign repair/barricading-24 hours. Grading concerns- Millis Beach and Potholes on Atokad.

Commissioner Launsby explained that when the County sold the old brine tank off the State yard in Dakota City not all the debris was cleaned up. The rains drained the salt residue into the neighbors (Jon Olson) property killing a tree and leaving excess salt residue contaminating the soil. Mr. Olson has replaced the tree and had dirt work done to correct the drainage and contamination of the soil. Mr. Olson is requesting the County pay for the tree and dirt work. Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Hohenstein to approve paying for the tree to Lane's Wholesale Nursery for \$305.00 and dirt work done by Lux Bros (reimbursing Mr. Olson) for \$2,900.00. ROLL CALL VOTE: Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Love to approve purchasing a semi load of metal culverts from American Underground Supply for \$17,350.20 using ARPA funds. ROLL CALL VOTE: Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Love to approve purchasing 20 plastic culverts for the M Avenue project from American Underground Supply for \$7,040.00 using ARPA funds. ROLL CALL VOTE: Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Love to approve purchasing 1 ½ “ crushed concrete from Knife River for \$72,600.00 and gravel from Backhaus Gravel for \$7,987.50 for road projects using ARPA funds. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Launsby to approve repairs to the door on the building at the Road Dept – Dakota City yard building to Lyles Garage Door Services for \$5,182.75 using ARPA funds. ROLL CALL VOTE: Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Launsby requested getting a bid to have camera's added at the road department office and shop in case there are instances and review at next meeting.

Courthouse bathroom updates – Board reviewed the 2 bids and requested additional information on each bid. Review again at next meeting.

Theresa Grove, Health Department, requesting approval to have floors in department replaced as they are cracking and pulling away from the wall and coming up in places. She called 4 different businesses and only Thornton Flooring gave quotes. Board didn't have all quotes, Ms. Grove left to make copies.

Todd Uhl, Jail Maintenance, presented 3 bids for HVAC repairs: Suter-\$5,433.00; Farrell's-\$6,271.22, Bousquet's A-Team-\$6,571.75. Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Launsby to approve the bid from Suter to repair the HVAC in the jail for \$5,433.00 using ARPA funds. ROLL CALL VOTE: Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Todd Uhl, Jail Maintenance, explained that some of the areas where the water shut offs are located are very inaccessible and unsafe. He wants to have the water shut offs lines moved to accessible areas. Presented 3 bids: Plumbing Pros-\$4,747.07 (\$5007.52 stated on record but there was an adding error); Foulk Bros-\$11,080.00 and Pheonix Plumbing-\$10,300.00. Commissioner Hohenstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Van Berkum to approve the bid from Plumbing Pros for \$4,747.07 to relocate the water shut off valves to make more accessible and for safety reason in the Jail using ARPA funds. ROLL CALL VOTE: Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Todd Uhl, Jail Maintenance, requesting the Board approve having platforms installed at the jail for access to conduit in electrical area above the lofts for safety. Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Launsby to approve the bid from Micah Herman for \$4,340.20 to install and build platform in jail to provide safe access to upper level electrical and other maintenance items using ARPA funds. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Theresa Grove, Health Department, provided copies of 4 separate bids for the flooring in the Health Department areas. Commissioner Van Berkum moved, seconded by Commissioner Love to approve the bids from Thornton Flooring to replace the flooring in the Health Department areas for a total of \$10,595.92 using ARPA funds. ROLL CALL VOTE: Love-Yes, Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Chief Deputy Tim Decker presented a quote from Brite for 15 body cameras for the department. They come with 5 year warranty with new cameras at 2 years and 5 years. These cameras will help with arrests, investigations, prosecutions, and safety of the officers. Commissioner Love moved, seconded by Commissioner Van Berkum to approve the purchase of the body cameras for the Sheriff's Department from Brite for \$66,282.00 using ARPA funds. ROLL CALL VOTE: Van Berkum-Yes, Launsby-Yes, Hohenstein-Yes, Love-Yes, Giese-Absent. UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Committee Reports: None.

Mail/Emergency business: None.

Commissioner Van Berkum moved to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Chair Hohenstein adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting of December 9, 2024 at 4:33 p.m.

Dakota County Board of Commissioners

Martin Hohenstein, Chair

Cherie Conley, County Clerk/Board Secretary