

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DODGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Regular meeting of the Dodge County Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Missel at 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, October 18, 2023 in the Board Room of the Courthouse, Fremont, Nebraska with the following members present: Beam, Weddle, Strand, Backens, Missel, Tawney and Bendig. Absent: None. Prior to roll call Chairman Missel announced the meeting to be an open public meeting and that the current open meeting laws are posted on the wall and available for anyone's review.

The Board unanimously declared the meeting legally convened.

The Board unanimously approved the agenda as printed and received and placed on file county officials' reports, Board of Trustees Minutes for September 12, 2023 meeting, Statement of Revenues & Expenses YTD Comparison for the three months ending September 30, 2023 and 2022 and Final Financial Statements June 30, 2023 and 2022 for Fremont Community Health Resources, correspondence from Nebraska State Probation, Sixth Probation District, Patty Lyon, Chief Probation Officer, regarding Probation – Quarterly County Billings 2023/2024 and reimbursement of expenses to Dodge County for the period July 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023, list from County Treasurer Bargstadt of distress warrants issued on personal property but not collected, correspondence from C J Tighe, 932 S. Lauren Lane, Fremont, stating his opposition to any property tax increase, correspondence from Deb Wright, 305 N. Grant St., Fremont, stating her opposition to any property tax increase, correspondence from Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) about statewide Community Listening Sessions regarding EMS in Nebraska, Certificate of Insurance for L.E. Myers Co., Control Services, Inc., Great Plains Communications, LLC and Palleton, Inc., Logan Watershed Update correspondence for October 2023 and Notice of Public Hearing with the City of Fremont City Council at 7:00 P.M. on October 10, 2023 for a request for Amendment to Redevelopment Plan, Enhanced Employment Area and Landscape Waiver made by Brian Reilly on behalf of Fremont Mall, LLC to amend the 23rd & Bell Street Redevelopment Plan to identify a project to rehabilitate the Fremont Mall located at 23rd St. and Yager Road and a waiver of landscaping on property described as Lots 5 and 6, Rodamar Addition Replat 1; Lots 1 and 2 Rodamar Addition Replat 2 located at the northwest corner of 23rd St. and Yager Road.

The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the October 4, 2023 meeting as printed.

At 9:05 A.M., the Board recessed as a Board of Supervisors and convened as a Board of Corrections. Chairman Missel dispensed with roll all members being present.

Under any items of discussion, Supervisor Beam reported that there are currently 69 inmates in custody with 45 of them being held in Saunders County, 19 in Washington County and 5 at the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services (NDCS). In the month of October, there have been 23 individuals booked into custody.

At 9:06 A.M., Chairman Missel adjourned the Board as a Board of Corrections until Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 9:05 A.M.

Immediately thereafter, the Board reconvened as a Board of Supervisors. Chairman Missel dispensed with roll all members being present.

The Board unanimously approved the wage & hour claims as submitted in the amount of \$288,355.09.

The Board unanimously approved the financial claims as submitted in the amount of \$867,942.56.

The Board unanimously authorized Chairman Missel's signature on the Statement of Acceptance of Possession and Future Responsibility regarding the transfer to Dodge County of courtroom technology purchased by the Nebraska Administrative Office of Courts and Probation (AOCP). District Court Clerk Judi Wegner told the Board that this equipment has been installed and this document confirms Dodge County's acceptance of responsibility for the upkeep of the equipment; Dodge County owns this equipment. It was also noted that there is a Service Agreement with CTI already in place from 7/1/23 – 7/1/28 that should cover most maintenance issues.

The Board unanimously received information from the Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) regarding "Election Procedures for Voting for NACO Officers – 2023 Election" and authorized Chairman Missel to sign the Voter Registration as the person casting the ballot for Dodge County for the December 2023 election. Included in the motion, the Board named Vice-Chairman Strand as the alternate designee if Chairman Missel is unable to vote.

The Board unanimously approved the tentative days for Dodge County Board meetings for 2024 with a change for the second meeting in December from Wednesday, December 25 to Tuesday, December 24, 2024 at 9:00 A.M.

The Board unanimously approved the proposed 2024 Dodge County Courthouse Holidays.

Committee Reports – Chairman Missel reported that there will be update meetings held on October 24, 2023 for information on the Fremont Municipal Port Authority. He also reported that November 8, 2023 is Government Day. There was a request to the Board to provide lunch for Government Day, but Chairman Missel did not want to spend taxpayer money on this so he asked for donations from the Board members. Chairman Missel asked Supervisor Tawney what the status of the renaming of Old Highway 30 is. Supervisor Tawney said there has not been any progress made on this. He will send a list of possible names to Shelly Holzerland, Director of Communications for Fremont/Dodge County 911, today and she can offer her opinion after checking for any potential problems.

At 9:20 A.M., Chairman Missel recessed the Board as a Board of Supervisors.

At 10:00 A.M., Chairman Missel convened the Board as a Board of Equalization. Chairman Missel dispensed with roll all members being present except for Supervisor Strand, who was excused after the Board recessed as a Board of Supervisors.

The Board unanimously received and referred to County Attorney Hopkins, correspondence from the Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission regarding the following: Notice of Appeal for Hy-Vee Inc., Case No. 23C 0250, Notice of Appeal for The Kroger Co., Case No. 23C 0351, Amended Order for Single Commissioner Hearing & Notice of Hearing for Robert J. Schmidt, Case No. 22A 0449, Amended Order for Single Commissioner Hearing & Notice of Hearing for Robert J.

Schmidt, Case No. 21A 0600, Notice of Appeal for Gary D. Pebley, Case No. 23R 0447, Notice of Appeal for Gary D. Pebley, Case No. 23R 0448, Notice of Appeal for Pebley Inc., Case No. 23R 0449, Notice of Appeal for Helen Einspahr, Case No. 23R 0509, Notice of Appeal for Helen Einspahr, Case No. 23R 0510 and Notice of Appeal for Helen Einspahr, Case No. 23R 0511.

The Board unanimously accepted the recommendation of County Treasurer Bargstadt on form 457, Application for Exemption from Motor Vehicle Taxes for 2023 on a 2010 Ford Transit Connect XLT, a 2016 Isuzu Refrigerator Truck, a 1996 Ford Econo Cutaway Van E350, a 2011 HHTC 16' Enclosed Trailer and a 2022 Chevy Colorado PK from Care Corps, Inc., 723 N. Broad St., Fremont, NE, granted the exemption and authorized Chairman Missel to sign the form.

The Board unanimously adopted a Resolution setting the 2023-2024 Tax Levies for various Political Subdivisions in Dodge County. Chairman Missel read the Resolution for the record.

At 10:06 A.M., Chairman Missel adjourned the Board as a Board of Equalization until Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.

At 10:07 A.M., since there were no more matters for the Board of Supervisors to consider, Chairman Missel adjourned the Board as a Board of Supervisors (the Board of Supervisors recessed at 9:20 A.M.) until Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 9:00 A.M.

Micki Gilfry
Dodge County Clerk