

## Greeley County Commissioner Minutes

February 13, 2024

The Greeley County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m. on the 13th day of February 2024 in the Assembly Room, Greeley County Courthouse. Notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Cedar Valley News..

Answering present at Roll Call were Jordan Foltz, Joe Leslie, and Dennis Wadsworth. Also, present were County Attorney Cindy Bassett and County Clerk Mindy Grossart. Chairman Foltz stated a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the east wall of the County Boardroom and copies were available for the public if requested. Everyone present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Leslie to waive the reading and approve the county board minutes from the January 23, 2024, meeting, second by Wadsworth. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Monthly reports were reviewed from the Clerk, Clerk of the District Court, Sheriff, and Treasurer. Motion made by Wadsworth, second by Leslie to approve the monthly reports. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

County payroll and vendor claims were reviewed by the board. Motion made by Leslie to approve payroll and claims, second by Wadsworth. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried. GENERAL: Amazon Business law enforcement supplies, office equip & supplies 116.89, Antelope County Sheriff prisoner keep, inmate medical 1,270., Antelope Memorial Hospital inmate medical 8,658.75, Appera janitor supply 127.56, Applied Connective Technologies service 2,958.58, Gerri Behnk mileage reimb. 119.26, Black Hills Energy heat fuel 1,784.23, Blue to Gold search/seizure 225., Boone County Sheriff's Department personal service 18.50, Chase Buettner service 116.22, Central NE County Assessor's Assn. dues 25., Central Nebraska Attorneys crt. appt. attorney 712.88, Clearly internet/phone 748.73, Consolidated Management Company meals 186.10, Country Market supplies 202.67, Country Partners fuel 487.32, DAS State Acctg – Central Finance data processing 206.75, Eakes Office Solutions data processing, supplies 678.13, First Concord Benefits Group bc/bs contribution, fees 3,670.75, First National Bank data processing 35.80, Margaret Freeman prior service 13., Great Plains Communications phone/internet 250., Greeley County Assessor plat map 26.88, Greeley County Clerk supplies 50.07, Greeley County Court crt. costs 34., Mindy Grossart mileage/supplies 180.30, Harouff Law crt. appt. attorney 980., Mark Haschke lodging/meal reimb. 424.13, Hometown Leasing lease 198.75, Howard/Greeley RPPD light service 308.29, K & S Welding and Repair vehicle repair 14.07, Lake Mac Assessment assessor contract 23,500., LB413164 – Blue 360 Media law books 187.85, Loup Basin RC & D Council dues 200., Microfilm Imaging Systems rental fee 40., Mid-Nebraska Disposal garbage haul 760.70, Mid- States Org Crime Info Center membership 100., MIPS data processing 4883.60, Charlotte Murphy prior service 21., NACEB -NE Assoc. of County Ext. Boards dues 25., NACO Planning & Zoning dues 40., NACT-NE Association of County Treasurers dues 50., National Sheriffs Association membership fee 125., NE Association of County Clerks, ROD, Elec Comm. dues 50., Nebraska Association of County Assessors meals/breaks, dues 125., Nebraska health & Human Services institution costs 90., Paper Tiger Shredding shred documents 68., People's Service oil change 135.95, Phonograph-Herald print publish 90.69, Pitzer Digital print/publish, subscription 1084.02, Region 3 Behavioral Health Services mental service 1,469.66, Relentless LLC DBA Desert Snow registration 699., Roaches Lumber & Redi-Mix service 105., Scotia Electric bldg. repair 182.18, Stealth Broadband internet 65. Catherine Sweeney prior service 10., The Belfast Bakery service 232., Brittany Thompson key/notary fee 116.99, Trotters Whoa & Go II Scotia fuel 101.08, Verizon Wireless phone 80.02, Village of Greeley water service 215.27, Vision Service Plan group vision 431.21, Woods Aitken attorney fees 64.50, Yosten law attorney fees 3,880., Greeley County Treasurer general to road 75,000. ROAD:

Ace Machine Shop and Sales handi-man misc. labor 1,350., AKRS Equipment shop supplies, parts, labor 1229.31, Appera uniform/towel service 283.21, B's Enterprises parts 5418., Bauer Built tires/repair 4,036.32, Black Hills Energy heat fuel 1,592.37, Bloom Repair parts/labor 588.04, Bomgaars Supply shop supplies, parts, grease/oil 261.73, Country Market supplies 16.99, Country Partners fuel, parts, shop supplies, sm. tools 12672.09, Ed Hoevet Excavating machine hire, materials 36,413.70, Grossarts Inc. shop supplies 191.87, Hamilton phone/internet 93.50, HillBill's Diesel parts, grease/oil/shop supplies 129.47, Howard County Medical Center testing 185., Howard/Greeley RPPD light service 403.85, Island Supply Welding Company oxygen/acetylene 19.84, K & S Welding and Repair tire repair, parts 406.37, Lawson Products bolts, nuts, ect, shop supplies 728.14, Medical Enterprises testing 105., Mid-Nebraska Disposal garbage disposal 44.40, Midwest Service & Sales parts 4200., Miller Power Sports fuel 125.80, Molt Mfg parts, labor, steel products 4035., Murphy Tractor & Equipment parts, labor 4434.18, Nebraska machinery Company parts, labor, grease/oil 11,094.42, Ord Glass & Paint labor 254.75, The Parts Bin-Ord parts, shop supplies, grease/oil, shop tools 1,211.75, The Parts Bin- St. Paul shop supplies , grease/oil, sm. tools, shop tools 1,199.14, People's Service fuel, parts, tire repair 933.49, Rinder Printing Company printing 103.56, Ruttman Repair labor, parts 2,355.26, Scotia Electric handi-man misc, machine hire 200., Scotia Welding parts, labor 1,460.50, Spalding Farm & Home shop supplies 108.74, TooFast Supply parts, shop supplies, sm.tools, shop tools, handi-man labor 842.89, Trotter Truck Plaza tire repair, parts, labor 341.41, Trotters Whoa & Go II Scotia fuel 221.85, Valley Auto Parts shop tools shop tools 49.19, Village of Greeley water service 66.77, Village of Scotia water/sew/garb 63.30, Village of Spalding light service 140.77, Vlach Construction machine hire 4,820., James Wilford storage fee 50. OPIOID RECOVERY: Region 3 Behavioral Health Services opioid allocation.2,000. LATCF: Diamond J Painting service 2,234.83. INHERITANCE TAX: McManus Dirt Work machine hire 46,837.50. GENERAL FUND: Salaries, 34,732.55, EFTPS Matching SS, 2,657.03, Ameritas Life Ins. Corp, Matching County Retirement, 2,296.72, Blue Cross Blue Shield, 20,725.22, ROAD FUND: Salaries, 19,441.83, EFTPS Matching SS., 1,487.31, Ameritas Life Ins. Corp, Matching County Retirement, 1,312.33.

Motion made by Wadsworth to enter as Board of Equalization at 9:45 a.m., second by Leslie. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried. The Board reviewed tax correction #1274 Property 010000253-PP E ½ NW ¼ S-29 T-18 -R-10 O'Connor Precinct reason for correction: acceleration of taxes on personal property – estate auction original amount 0 accelerated tax \$215.72. Wadsworth moved to approve tax correction #1274, second by Leslie. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried. The Knights of Columbus applied for an exemption for a 2015 enclosed trailer RS0005780629. Motion made by Wadsworth to approve the exemption form 457, second by Leslie. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried. Motion made by Wadsworth to adjourn Board of Equalization at 9:50 a.m., second by Leslie. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Sheriff Paul Deaver met with the Board and gave some updates on his office.

Alex Lindenstein, Oak Creek Engineering was present to discuss bridge inspection results and recommendations.

Kayla Hinrichs, Extension Education submitted the 2023 Annual Report for the Board to review.

Wadsworth moved to enter executive session at 9:51 a.m. for the purpose of discussing security, second by Leslie. The Board, Sheriff Deaver and County Attorney Cindy Bassett were present. Motion made by Leslie to exit executive session at 10:00 a.m., second by Wadsworth. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Next, the Board reviewed the carpet bids that were opened and tabled on January 23, 2024. Chairman Foltz went through the bids again trying to determine if there were any discrepancies in the bids. Jim Martin: 1.

\$87,500 for the advertised bid. 2. \$92,500 higher quality carpet with the following terms: Deposit \$6,500 required before the carpet is ordered, additional \$20,000 required when the carpet is delivered, additional \$30,000 due when the project is 50% complete, balance due upon completion. Kuszak Hardware & Variety LLC \$98,822.60, with the following terms: deposit required to order materials, payment in full after completion. After discussion, it was decided to allow both parties to amend the bid amounts to ensure there is a direct comparison. Wadsworth moved to allow Jim Martin to amend his bid, second by Leslie. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried. Wadsworth moved to allow Tony Kuszak to amend his bid, second by Leslie. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried. Chairman Foltz called for a recess at 10:16 a.m. The Board reconvened at 10:26 a.m. Jim Martin stated he would need to add \$8,500 to his bid. Tony Kuszak with Kuszak Hardware & Variety LLC contacted the chairman via email and requested to reduce his bid by \$3,000. Leslie moved to approve the bid from Kuszak Hardware & Variety LLC for \$95,822.60, second by Wadsworth. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried. The Board thanked both parties for bidding on the project.

Public Comment: Butch Hughes commented on the status of the Greeley Wind II project. Chairman Foltz stated that some conditions must be met before Next Era starts the project.

Wadsworth moved to enter executive session at 10:47 a.m. for the purpose of discussing possible litigation, second by Leslie. The Board, and County Attorney Cindy Bassett were present. Motion made by Wadsworth to exit executive session at 11:12 a.m., second by Leslie. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Wadsworth to adjourn at 11:15 a.m., second by Leslie. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Dated this 19th day of February 2024.

Jordan Foltz, Chairman

ATTEST:

Mindy A. Grossart  
Greeley County Clerk