

**RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
NOVEMBER 29, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Caverzagie at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 29, 2023. Roll call was answered by Karas, Sickel and Caverzagie. The Invocation was given by Chairman Caverzagie and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Karas. Chairman Caverzagie announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the minutes of the November 22, 2023, meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted at the Richardson County Courthouse in the First Floor Lobby, the Lower-Level Lobby and on the Commissioner's Meeting Room door on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor and on the Richardson County website [www.co.richardson.ne.us](http://www.co.richardson.ne.us).

**ROAD DEPARTMENT**

Steve Darveau, Jr., Highway Superintendent updated the Board on the routine road and bridge maintenance being done this past week.

Motion was made by Sickel to adopt Resolution 2023-2024-20 to authorize the Chairman to sign the year end certification of County Highway Superintendent for annual incentive payment for 2023. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 56)

**LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER**

Sheriff Hardesty updated the Board on the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week. He reported that over the time period for the "Click It or Ticket" grant conducted from November 22 thru November 26 there were 187 traffic stops with 52 citations issued, 9 arrests made with 2 of those felons and 2 as a result of warrants issued.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Sickel to recess the regular meeting agenda and go into an executive session at 10:10 a.m. with special legal counsel, Jerry Pigsley to discuss litigation and for the protection of the public interest. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Karas to close the executive session at 10:25 a.m. and return to the regular meeting agenda. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER**

**Courthouse Roof**

Motion was made by Karas to approve a change order, #1, with Skyline Construction, Inc. for the Courthouse roof replacement which adds \$16,710.45 to the cost of the project. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

**Subdivision**

Motion was made by Sickel to approve a subdivision for Robert L and Lana Georges to Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway located in S19, T1, R17 and to adopt Resolution 2023-2024-18. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 54)

**Subdivision**

Motion was made by Sickel to approve a subdivision for Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway located in S15, T1, R16 and to adopt Resolution 2023-2024-19. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 55)

**Transfer of Funds**

Motion was made by Karas to adopt Resolution 2023-2024-21 to transfer funds from the Inheritance Tax Fund in the amount of \$250,000 to the General Fund as per FY2023-2024 budget document. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 27, Page 57)

**Other**

It was reported that Schawang Masonry, LLC will begin the improvement project to the northeast area of the Courthouse lawn and parking lot on Thursday, December 7 and should be completed within 7-10 days. This improvement is being made to eliminate a water drainage problem in this area and leaking within the lower-level area of the Courthouse.

**CLAIMS**

Motion was made by Karas to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted today with the exception of one to Amazon for \$119.92 which will be held for further review. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

*(The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)*

**GENERAL FUND**

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Amazon, supp                              | 499.00              |
| Consolidated Management Company, supp     | 76.25               |
| DAS State Accounting, serv                | 163.18              |
| Datashield, serv                          | 10.56               |
| East Richardson Rural Water #2, serv      | 309.19              |
| Falls City Sanitation, serv               | 40.00               |
| Farm & City Supply, supp                  | 48.96               |
| Harmon's, serv                            | 20.00               |
| NACO, fee                                 | 150.00              |
| NE Association of County Assessors, fee   | 25.00               |
| OneNeck IT Solutions, serv                | 646.00              |
| Pitney Bowes, supp                        | 3028.50             |
| Postmaster, supp                          | 1320.00             |
| Ram Exterminators, serv                   | 48.00               |
| Rappl, Marc, serv                         | 1434.50             |
| CR22-175 M. Timothy                       |                     |
| Richardson County EMA Petty Cash, reimb   | 73.99               |
| Richardson County Vendor, FICA/retire/etc | 23413.54            |
| Sapp Bros., fuel                          | 167.47              |
| SumnerOne, serv                           | 111.04              |
| Tyler Technologies, serv                  | 246.58              |
| Verizon, serv                             | 303.65              |
| Wolfe's Printing, supp                    | 334.82              |
| Payroll Expense                           | 126284.34           |
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| <b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>                 | <b>\$158,754.57</b> |

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CLAIMS (Cont.)

**ROAD & BRIDGE FUND**

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| East Richardson Rural Water District #2, serv | 46.00              |
| Falls City Sanitation Service, serv           | 20.00              |
| UniFirst, serv                                | 7.56               |
| Woods & Aitken, serv                          | 2723.84            |
| Payroll Expense                               | 32061.42           |
| <b>TOTAL ROAD &amp; BRIDGE FUND</b>           | <b>\$34,858.82</b> |

**INHERITANCE TAX FUND**

|                                       |                     |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Richardson County Treasurer, transfer | 250000.00           |
| <b>TOTAL INHERITANCE TAX FUND</b>     | <b>\$250,000.00</b> |

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Karas to adjourn the meeting at 10:34 a.m. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Sickel-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

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John Caverzagie, Chairman

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Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk