

RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 23, 2025

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, April 23, 2025. Roll call was answered by Karas, Campbell and Caverzagie. The Invocation was given by Chairman Caverzagie and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Karas. Chairman Caverzagie announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Karas to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2025, meeting as read. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-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 2nd Floor and on the Richardson County website www.richardsoncountyne.gov.

PROCLAMATION

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the following Proclamation:

WHEREAS, the Richardson County Courthouse was built during the years of 1922 to 1925 after the previous Courthouse, built in 1873 was destroyed by a fire in 1919, and

WHEREAS, the cost for this "fire proof" structure to serve as the Richardson County Courthouse was \$210,235.83, and

WHEREAS, the Richardson County Board of Commissioners accepted the Courthouse building on April 24, 1925, and

WHEREAS, in May of 1925 a dedication ceremony was conducted by the American Legion Post with thousands attending the ceremony, and

WHEREAS, the Richardson County Courthouse remains this day as stated 100 years ago by P.B. Weaver, Chairman of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners, "one of the best and most complete in the State", and

WHEREAS, the rededication ceremony represents as further stated by P.B. Weaver, "if for no other purpose than to remind us all of the common duty we owe to all of us collectively; respect, for the law and its administration, without which our American liberties would be short lived".

NOW, THEREFORE, the Richardson County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim this 23rd day of April, 2025 as an historical event to be recorded in the official records of Richardson County as the

100 Year Anniversary and Rededication of the Richardson County Courthouse

Dated at Falls City, Nebraska this 23rd day of April, 2025

Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman Caverzagie presented the proof of publication and declared that a public hearing be opened at 9:15 a.m. to receive testimony from the public for the issuance of a Class C Beer, Wine, Spirits On and Off Sale license for TumbleReeds, LLC.

No one from the public in opposition to the issuance of the license attended the hearing.

Chairman Caverzagie closed the public hearing at 9:20 a.m.

Motion was made by Karas to recommend approval of the application for the issuance of a Class C Beer, Wine, Spirits On and Off Sale license for TumbleReeds, LLC located at TumbleReed Mercantile at 65225 720 Rd, Shubert, NE 68437. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

Sheriff Hardesty updated the Board on the routine business within the Law Enforcement

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Center this week. He reported that the March statistics include 35 total arrests (8 of those from other agencies, 4 inmates held from other Counties and number of arrests by Sheriff Office was 23); total calls were 694 and 321 of those were traffic stops. Currently there are 14 inmates being held at the County Jail.

He reported on some maintenance items that have been addressed, and the progress being made with the electrical improvement project at the Law Enforcement Center and the maintenance that was done to the jail while inmates were housed at other locations during the electrical improvement project.

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Karas to allow the payment of all claims submitted today. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-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

Airstream Heating & Cooling, serv	3197.88
Amazon, supp	298.85
Ankrom, Jami, reimb	821.03
AT&T, serv	1001.95
CMC, serv	949.61
Dept. of Correctional Services, serv	530.16
Falls City Mercantile, supp	198.13
Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts, Ziskey & Merwin, serv	4398.21
CR24-561 K. Buis, CR24-562 K. Buis, CR25-23 T. Rogers, JV22-38, JV23-37, JV23-38, JV23-20, JV21-20, JV24-18, JV24-17, JV24-19, JV24-4	
First Concord, fees	422.00
Hy-Vee, supp	66.98
Kennedy, Kaytlyn, reimb	271.24
Lincoln National Life Ins., life ins	1281.20
Medica, ins	47752.77
Merz Inc., supp	921.44
NACO, fees	750.00
NE Health & Human Services, serv	93.00
NE U.C. Fund, tax	7912.66
O'Reilly Automotive, supp	1041.68
Postmaster, supp	438.00
ProServ Business Systems, serv	283.71
Schendel Pest Control, serv	69.88
Secretary of State, supp	20.00
Spartan Nash, supp	66.92
Visual Edge IT, serv	230.65
Wolfe's Printing, supp	369.58
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$73,387.53

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Diversified Drug Testing, serv	252.50
Harmons, supp	22355.52
Jim Hawk Truck Trailers, supp	255.80
Martin Marietta Materials, rock	15640.02
Midwest Infrastructure, supp	49385.35
Midwest Service & Sales, supp	1032.00
NPPD, serv	108.44
Quill, supp	220.99
Sapp Bros., fuel	14033.05

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Stateline Propane Service, supp	252.65
Turbo Technologies, supp	7080.00
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$110,616.32

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Karas to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 a.m. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, April 30, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner’s Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City, NE. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk’s Office.

John J. Caverzagie, Chairman

Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk