

DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

The Dixon County Board of Supervisors met on October 15, 2024, at 9:00 A.M. for an adjourned meeting at the Annex Building at 59140 Hwy 12 in Ponca, NE. Chair Lisa Lunz opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and called for roll call of members present. Answering was Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz, Absent: Steve Hassler. Also present were Cathy Stilwell, Dixon County Clerk and Secretary to the Board of Supervisors and other interested persons. Chair Lunz gave notice to the public of the location of the posted Open Meeting Laws.

Motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Anderson to show that this meeting was preceded by due and legal notice by posting as required by law in the Bank of Dixon County, bulletin board in the lower hall of the courthouse, bulletin board in the County Clerk's office and two County newspapers, and all Board Members were notified simultaneously and the agenda of all known business to come before the Board of Supervisors was posted in the office of the County Clerk. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion was made by Nicholson, seconded by Blohm to approve the minutes of the last meetings, of September 10th and 24th. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

Brian McDonald, County Engineer, was unable to attend the meeting. Road Supt., Arnold Mellick was present to discuss ongoing road and bridge projects. Dixon County received a letter advising the "Allen East" project, was substantially completed on or about December 7, 2023, and the 1-year warranty period is nearly over. Discussed changed order for the Bottorff Bridge, the change was approved with a motion by Peterson, second by Anderson to have the Chair sign the order. On roll call vote Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion by Blohm, seconded by Peterson to sign the Contractor's application for payment for the Bottorff Bridge. On roll call vote Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

At 9:15 A.M. A Public hearing on the Dixon County's 2024-2025 1&6 Year Road Improvement Plan. After review and discussion there were two bridges removed from the 1&6 plan. bridge C-26(312) and C-26(300). The hearing was closed at 9:32 A.M. Following the hearing Supervisor Peterson moved to adopt the Dixon County's 2024-2025 1&6 Year Road Improvement Plan and to have the Chair sign the resolution. Seconded by Anderson. On roll call vote Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

A motion was made by Anderson to authorize the Chair to sign the Annual Certification of Program Compliance to Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

A motion was made by Blohm to authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution of the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance, seconded by Anderson. On roll call vote Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None. **Resolution in Resolution & Ordinances Book 3, Page 460.**

After reviewing the plan set for the Wakefield Pon4 it is the jurisdiction of the City of Wakefield.

The Annual Road Report was reviewed and approved on a motion by Blohm and second by Peterson. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

Shea Scollard, Emergency Manager updates, the Expo at the Ponca State Park was very successful again this year. They are always in need of volunteers. Next year will be the 20th year for the Expo. He has also been doing some radio training for local fire departments getting them on the same channel. The battery backups were replaced at the Annex. The Courthouse employees had a fire drill last Thursday.

Sara Kumm, 911 Coordinator, has also worked with fire departments and their radios. She discussed with the board problems they are having with the slow Wi-Fi due to streaming certain times during the day at the courthouse. Doing uploads to computers in vehicles takes way too long, a solution would be to upgrade the Annex, and they can take the vehicles there to get it done and back on the roads faster. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Anderson, to upgrade the Annex WI-FI. On roll call vote Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

Discuss safety committee recommendation to look into safety and instruction classes for scrapers, motor graders and dump trucks.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Peterson to approve the yearly Dixon County's NIRMA crime policy regarding bonding of County Officials. On roll call vote Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

Mike Elton, Weed Superintendent, attended to update the board with his progress this year and see if the board had any areas of concern. He will be finishing spraying and start winterizing and billing.

The Board recessed to meet as Board of Equalization and reconvened with members present. Absent: Hassler.

The Board reviewed the County Treasurer's Distress warrant report.

Motion by Blohm, seconded by Anderson to approve the County Official's fee reports and Treasurer's list of Pledged Securities. On roll call Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

After reviewing a motion was made Anderson to approve and adopt the Underground Utility Policy, seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

The Board toured the Jail.

The Board recessed at 12:00 P.M. for lunch.

The Board reconvened at 1:00 P.M. with all members present except: Blohm and Hassler.

There were no public comments.

Leland Miner, County Attorney, was present to discuss legal issues.

The board discussed the state final audit for 2023-2024 year.

After discussing claims a motion by Peterson, seconded by Anderson, the claims were approved. On roll call vote call Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Blohm and Hassler.

CO-Capital Outlay, ER-Equipment Rental, INS-Insurance, EL-Election, K9-Canine, LS-Legal Services, MA-Materials, MI-Miscellaneous, OE-Operating Expenses, PY-Prior Years Service, RE-Reimbursement, RP-Repairs, SU-Supplies, TT-Tax Transfer, TS-Technology Services, VS-Vendor Services

GENERAL FUND

Courthouse empl.,supv. & coord.	Salaries	\$180,825.91
Angela Abts	RE	\$291.45
Mark D. Albin	LS	\$977.30
Applied Connective Technologies	TS	\$4,574.45
Arnie's Ford Mercury	RP	\$4,338.89
Bank of Dixon County	OE	\$498.45
Bank of Dixon County	OE	\$294.00
Bank of Dixon County	OE	\$2,950.45
Bort Auto Body, Inc.	OE	\$1,000.00
Julie Boyle	RE	\$49.58
Duane Dean Chase	PY	\$16.00
Copple, Rocky, Schlecht, Mason & Werth	LS	\$751.98
Cubby's Coprorate Office	OE	\$3,216.09
Dakota County Sheriff's Department	LS	\$18.00
DAS State Accounting-Central Finance	TS	\$230.00
DAS State Accounting-Central Finance	TS	\$230.00
DAS State Accounting-Central Finance	TS	\$713.60
DAS State Accounting-Central Finance	TS	\$150.00
Dixon County Clerk of District Court	OE	\$38.00
Dixon County Court	LS	\$83.00
Dixon County Sheriff's Office	OE	\$440.00
Doc Jay's Auto Repair	RP	\$222.64
Audrey Dohma	PY	\$16.00
Eakes Office Plus	SU	\$882.12
Kathy Eifert	PY	\$18.00
Electronic Engineering Company	TS	\$140.00
Erin Fleury	RE	\$88.44
Gill Hauling, Inc.	OE	\$269.54
Glock Professional, Inc.	OE	\$500.00
Government Forms & Supplies, LLC	SU	\$557.49
Great Plains Communications, Inc.	OE	\$1,564.09
Groves Emergency Lighting Insall, LLC	TS	\$3,223.50
Guardian RFID	OE	\$3,388.00
Madison Gunderson	RE	\$159.69
Steven Hassler	RE	\$62.31
Holan Title & Escrow, LLC	VS	\$350.00
Hometown Leasing	ER	\$292.66
Hometown Leasing	ER	\$48.00
H204U, Inc.	VS	\$82.75
IOA RE, LLC	INS	\$3,022.65

Jack's Uniforms & Equipemt	OE	\$602.75
K & K Catering	VS	\$1,809.50
Jackie King-Coughlin	PY	\$23.08
Lynn Peavey Company	SU	\$58.13
MCI	TS	\$67.07
MIPS, Inc.	TS	\$2,718.78
Alan Mackling	PY	\$13.00
Madison County Sheriff	OE	\$59.80
Menards-Sioux City	SU	\$608.66
Midwest Alarm Company, Inc.	TS	\$117.42
Leland K. Miner	OE	\$43.11
Wendy Montoya	OE	\$316.55
NACO	OE	\$65.00
NE Nebraska Tire & Trailer Sales, Inc.	RP	\$101.96
Nebraska Health & Human Services	OE	\$93.00
Nebraska Journal Leader	OE	\$457.31
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co.	OE	\$46.87
Northeast Power	OE	\$1,827.75
One Office Solution	VS	\$424.81
Penas Tires	RP	\$570.00
Roger Peterson	RE	\$600.00
Paul Pfister	PY	\$11.00
Ponca Cooperative, LLC	RP	\$201.14
Ponca Public Utilities	OE	\$212.83
Region IV, Inc.	OE	\$2,035.50
Quin Rohan	RE	\$89.11
Katie Scollard	VS	\$270.00
Shea Scollard	OE	\$75.00
Southwest Solutions Group, Inc.	OE	\$4,045.00
State of Nebraska Elections Division	EL	\$50.00
Jennifer Svendsen	OE	\$50.00
Thomson Reuters-West	LS	\$2,835.55
U.S. Postal Service	SU	\$2,224.40
University of Nerbraska-Lincoln/Extension	TS	\$499.50
Verizon Wireless	OE	\$80.02
Vermillion Ace Hardware	SU	\$62.28
VISA	OE	\$398.71
Visual Edge IT, Inc.	TS	\$83.18
Wakefield Republican	OE	\$266.31
Robert Wendte	PY	\$18.00
Woodhouse Ford Sioux City	RP	\$633.00
Z-Mart	OE	\$790.63

ROAD FUND
Road Employees

Salaries

\$48,556.50

Auto Value Vermillion	RP	\$325.36
B's Enterprises, Inc.	OE	\$14,087.50
Bank of Dixon County	OE	\$4,273.39
Bomgaars	SU	\$97.47
C&R Gravel, Inc.	OE	\$5,085.54
Countryside Gas & Grocery	OE	\$6,229.52
Ekberg Auto Parts	RP	\$554.31
Fastwyre Broadband	TS	\$78.00
Fischer Hauling, LLC	VS	\$436.80
Gary Backhaus Gravel, LLC	OE	\$7,532.28
Grossenburg Imp	ER	\$2,400.00
Heimes Trucking, LLC	OE	\$958.80
J & J Welding	RP	\$1,162.80
JEO Consulting Group, Inc.	VS	\$10,708.75
LG Everist, Inc.	OE	\$9,223.32
Linde Gas & Equipment, Inc.	VS	\$101.39
Marron's Convenience Service	OE	\$2,156.65
Marx Trailer	SU	\$48.00
Midwest Service & Sales Company	VS	\$8,158.00
Millborn Seeds, Inc.	SU	\$3,450.44
Miller Building Supply	SU	\$325.78
NACO	OE	\$30.00
NMC Exchange, LLC	SU	\$1,009.93
NE Nebraska Tire & Trailer Sales, Inc.	OE	\$1,885.00
Preston Nelson	RE	\$900.00
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co.	OE	\$163.14
Northeast Power	OE	\$173.25
Northern Safety Co., Inc.	VS	\$97.29
Pomp's Tire Service, Inc.	OE	\$559.91
Ponca Cooperative, LLC	OE	\$4,792.85
Powerplan	RP	\$4,739.63
Rod's Repair	SU	\$162.10
Running Supply, Inc.	VS	\$51.71
Rush Trucking, Inc.	OE	\$949.60
Spencer Quarries, Inc.	OE	\$1,211.60
Theisen Construction, Inc.	RP	\$179,865.83
Tri County Aggregates	OE	\$1,237.95
Village of Allen	OE	\$94.30
Wakefield City Clerk	OE	\$67.55
Warren Oil	VS	\$4,799.15
Ziegler, Inc.	RP	\$574.34

Child Support Agreement Fund

One Office Solution	SU	\$317.36
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County Visitors Improvement Fund

Nebraska Journal Leader	VS	\$7.77
University of Nebraska	OE	\$1,000.00

County Visitors PROMO FUND

Ponca Historical Society	RP	\$3,220.00
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R.O.D. Preserve & Modernization Fund

Government Forms & Supplies, LLC	VS	\$847.60
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INSURANCE FUND

Dixon County Health Insurance Account	INS	\$1.00
IOA RE, LLC	INS	\$21,728.47
Mercy Business Health Service/Urgent Care	INS	\$108.16
Mid-American Benefits	INS	\$30,406.79
Mutual of Omaha	INS	\$2,869.80
U.S. Treasury	INS	\$18.55

VETERANS AID FUND

Bank of Dixon County	VS	\$1,500.00
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CANINE (K-9) FUND

Bank of Dixon County	K9	\$696.39
Sayler Screenprinting	K9	\$75.00

COVID AMERICA RESCUE FUND

WS Insulation Solutions	VS	\$29,771.50
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E-911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

E-911 Employees

	Salaries	
Electronic Engineering Company	TS	\$5,895.82
Fluent Information Management Systems	ER	\$2,900.00
IOA RE, LLC	INS	\$674.21
Sara Kumm	OE	\$160.50
Nebraska State Patrol	OE	\$38.00
Northeast Power	OE	\$410.22
VISA	OE	\$44.86

911 WIRELESS SERVICE FUND

Geo Communications, Inc.	TS	\$6,805.05
Great Plains Communications, Inc.	OE	\$384.18
City of Norfolk	OE	\$149.12
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co.	OE	\$249.40
OPTK Networks	TS	\$622.44

COMMISSARY FUND

Bank of Dixon County	SU	\$173.11
Chesterman Company	SU	\$124.80
CIDNET	TS	\$1,500.00

NOXIOUS WEED FUND

Noxious Weed Employees	Salaries	
Applied Connective Technologies	TS	\$226.50
Ekberg Auto Parts	RP	\$96.52
Farmer's Pride Cooperative	VS	\$381.03
Grossenburg Implement	MA	\$13.23
Nebraska Journal Leader	VS	\$153.72
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co.	OE	\$89.90
Northeast Power	OE	\$96.91
Share Corporation	SU	\$567.09
Van Diest Supply Company	SU	\$1,692.15
Village of Allen	OE	\$91.75
Wakefield Republican	VS	\$192.00

GENERAL FUND

AFLAC	\$1,085.31
Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$49,500.19
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	\$42.00
First Concord Benefits Group	\$824.99
Fraternal Order of Police Lodge#91	\$800.00
Legalshield	\$100.00
Liberty National	\$96.78
Nationwide Retirement Solutions	\$971.00
Nebraska Child Support	\$362.00
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$22,050.82
Washington National Ins Co.	\$15.17
	\$481.88

Roads / Bridge Fund

AFLAC	
Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$290.04
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	\$10,437.97
Liberty National	\$10.00
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$10.00
	\$4,550.44

985 Child Support Agreement

Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$82.45
	\$36.00

2910 E011 Emergency Management Fund

AFLAC

Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$	147.68
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	\$	1,206.49
Nationwide Retirement Solutions	\$	1.00
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$	50.00
	\$	541.13

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND

Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct		
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	\$	1,520.71
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$	1.00
	\$	555.17

The discussion about purchasing a backhoe took place. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Anderson to purchase a new backhoe through Sourcewell. On roll call Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Blohm and Hassler.

Township discussion regarding gravel and making sure the purchases were being logged where the gravel was going.

ARPA grant discussion took place, the Allen Shop insulation has been completed and the remaining funds will be used toward the Ponca West project.

Discussed the Courthouse windows needing sealed on the second floor. They will be getting estimates to see if it is feasible.

The annual NACO conference will take place in December.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Anderson to adjourn. On roll call vote call Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Blohm and Hassler.

The Board adjourned at 1:50 P.M.

ATTEST: CATHY STILWELL
DIXON COUNTY CLERK

LISA LUNZ, CHAIR
DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS

The Dixon County Board of Equalization met on October 15, 2024, at 11:00 A.M. for an adjourned meeting at the Annex Building in Ponca, Nebraska. Chair Lisa Lunz called for roll call of members present. Answering were Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson and Lisa Lunz, Absent: Steve Hassler. Also Present were Cathy Stilwell, Dixon County Clerk and Secretary to the Board and Karla Kvidera for the Assessor’s office. Chair Lunz gave notice to the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Law. Motion was made by Nicholson, seconded by Blohm to show by the records that this meeting was preceded by due and legal notice. On roll call Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion was made by Nicholson, seconded by Blohm to approve the minutes of the last meeting as written. One roll call M.C. Absent: Hassler. Levies for Dixon County and all Subdivisions for 2024 were

approved on a motion by Blohm and seconded by Peterson. On roll call Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Hassler. Supervisors voting against: None.

The Board signed the Report of Levies.

There were no Tax List corrections or Exemption applications to review. There was no further business.

The Board reconvened as Board of Supervisors at 11:07 A.M.

**ATTEST: CATHY STILWELL
DIXON COUNTY CLERK**

**LISA LUNZ, CHAIR
DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**