

**May 23, 2023**

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at 9:08 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Kreachbaum, Jarecke, Placke, Dexter, Kucera, Wiegert, Weller, County Clerk Strobel and County Attorney Kunz present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal and the Merrick County Website. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk’s Office. Copies of the agenda were given to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk’s Office.

Chairman Wiegert declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:08 a.m. Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to convene as Board of Supervisors convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:08 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Placke, second Dexter to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Jarecke, second Dexter to approve the minutes from May 9, 2023 as published. Roll Call: All Ayes

Supervisor meetings: Weller-Central District Health Dept May 15, Bader Park Board May 16; Placke-Good Life Center May 16, Long Term Care Board & Special Committee Meetings-May 15; Jarecke-Central Nebraska Action Community Partners May 16; Kreachbaum-Long Term Care/Special Committee and 4-H Building Committee-May 15, Mid-Plains Center May 17 and Emergency Management Meeting with Boone and Nance Counties May 18; Kucera-Mid-Nebraska Individual Services Executive meeting May 11; Wiegert-May 15 4H Overseer Building Committee.

Officials: Doug Maw with Building and Grounds provided information regarding the tree damage after a storm along with an invoice from Rathman & Manning. This matter has been turned over to NIRMA for insurance coverage. Clerk Strobel will be meeting with the accountant regarding the new budget program on May 24.

Rob Latimer with Summit Carbon Solutions provided handouts as well as an update regarding the pipeline.

Emergency Manager Clark gave a quarterly update.

Long Term Care Bond was discussed. Location and building bid proposals will be sought out with possible town hall meetings to be held in the villages. No action taken

The future of Townships was discussed. No action taken

Moved Placke, second Dexter to approve the proposal received from Dana F. Cole & Associates for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 audit. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Placke, second Kucera to approve a NACO representative come speak to the employees regarding the Supplemental Life Insurance program. Roll Call: All Ayes

Discussion concerning the use of COVID funds continued. No action taken.

County Attorney Kunz approached the Board in regards to the possibility of changing the board meeting dates. No action taken.

<b>GENERAL</b>	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	\$123.26
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	\$203.20
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	\$737.50
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	\$923.65
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	\$746.85
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	\$740.00
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	\$1,002.28
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$4,476.74</b>
<b>4-H BLDG</b>	YOUNG GUN HANDY MAN	CONSTRUCTION	\$400.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$400.00</b>

Moved Kucera, second Dexter to approve the May fuel claims. Roll Call: All Ayes  
May Payroll: General Gross: \$54,524.41, Net: \$38,886.41; Roads Gross: \$26,752.66, Net: 19,311.44;  
Juvenile Diversion Gross: \$3,149.64, Net: \$2,214.68. General Gross: \$57,302.51, Net: \$40,296.23; Roads  
Gross: \$5,358.68, Net: \$4,089.09. Moved Kucera, second Placke to approve payroll as presented. Roll  
Call: All Ayes  
Moved Placke, second Dexter to adjourn at 11:45 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes  
/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman  
/s/Trisha L Fate-Strobel, County Clerk