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January 7, 2025

The Brown County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, 1:15 P.M. in the Brown County Courthouse meeting room with members Chairman Dennis Bauer and Jeremiah Dailey present. Member Buddy Small was absent with an excused absence. Also present were Brown County Clerk Travee Hobbs, Brown County Highway Superintendent (BCHS) Kenny Turpin, Brown County Sheriff (BCS) Brent Deibler, Brown County Assessor (BCA) Peg Gross, and Brown County Deputy Emergency Manager (DBCEM) Jessica Pozehl.

Chairman Bauer acknowledged the Open Meeting Act posted near the entrance to the Meeting Room.

Those in attendance rose and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dailey moved to approve the minutes from the regular Commissioner meeting of December 17, 2024, as written and officially recorded in Commissioner Book 23. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Dailey Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

Brown County Treasurer (BCT) Bruce Mitchell appeared to discuss the resolution and Board approval to transfer the funds and authorize the BCT to make the payment. Bauer moved to approve Resolution 2025-1 transferring $62,450.00 from the Ambulance Fund to the Debt Services Ambulance Building Fund and authorize BCT Mitchell to wire the Ambulance Bond payment. Dailey seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Dailey Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

BCHS Turpin gave a road department report. Turpin stated that he had attended the Rock County Board of Commissioners meeting , and they agreed with a possible joint Brown/Rock split of the 20% of the county's share of the Federal Funding grant if the grant for the bridge project is awarded.

BCHS Turpin presented the Board with a petition to vacate a road in the Southwest ¼ of Sec 21, T30N, R22W. The petition contains 15 valid signatures.

Bauer moved to proceed with the road vacation located in the Southwest ¼ of Sec 21, T30N, R22W and request BCHS Turpin to conduct a road study and proceed with each additional step as required. Dailey seconded. Roll Call: : Bauer Aye, Dailey Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

Bauer moved to approve Resolution 2025-2 re-appointing Matt Swanson to serve on the Brown County Planning Commission for a 3-year term. Dailey seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Dailey Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

The Board discussed the Federal and State holiday declared by President Biden and Governor Pillen that the Courthouse will be closed to observe the holiday as declared. BCC Hobbs stated that due to the order from Chief Justice Funk that courts are to remain open, the Clerk's/Clerk of District Court office will remain open for business, Clerk's office staff that work the holiday will be allowed a different day for the holiday.

The Board reviewed the grade transcript presented by Zach Welch, secretary for the County Attorney. Per county policy, the employee requesting the reimbursement shall provide a grade transcript as well as the cost of tuition for that semester to be approved.

Bauer moved to approve the tuition reimbursement presented by Zach Welch to pay a claim up to $1,500.00 once the cost of tuition has been turned in. Dailey seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Dailey Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

After discussion, Dailey moved to approve the claims. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Dailey Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

The Board viewed correspondence received. A letter from the State of Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects noticing the architecture and professional engineering licenses of Mr. Tobias S. Gay of Columbus have been revoked and he is prohibited from practicing or offering to practice architecture and engineering within the State of Nebraska. A letter received from Nebraska Department of Environment & Energy notifying the Board of issuing MC Ranch LLC, medium Animal Feeding Operation this Construction and Operating permit transferring the coverage from the Construction and Operating, previously issued on October 2, 1970. Also received was a notice of a General Permit issued to Rolling Stone Land & Cattle II Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation.

Public Comment were heard.

Since County Attorney Taylor was not present, no executive session was held regarding the District Court case CI 24-43 Hathshire Berkaway v Brown County Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 P.M.

The next regular meeting of the Brown County Commissioners will be Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 1:15 P.M., Brown County Courthouse, Ainsworth, Nebraska.

This meeting's public notice was published in the Ainsworth Star-Journal, aired on KBRB Radio, and posted at the Brown County Clerk's office, where all agendas and minutes are kept current for public inspection at any time.

GENERAL

Ains Star-Journal	Pub, etc	391.96
Mark Albin	MH Atty	304.00
Karen Andrus	Prior Svc	14.00
Apco Intern't	Dues	108.00
Appeara	Svc	229.62
Applied Conn Tech	Comp fees	2731.75
AT & T	Svc	388.16
Axon	Equipment	3479.52
Bankcard	Supplies, etc	998.36
BCBS	Ins premiums	26155.89
Big John's	Pris meals	486.00
Bomgaars	Supplies	81.56
Brown Co Court	Costs	51.00
Brown Co Imprest	Rtmt Mtchg for 1/7/25 pay period	8120.16
Capital	Maint Agreemt	123.60
City of Ains	Svc	120.98
Co Clk for OASI	Mtchg for 1/7/25 pay period	5295.82
Co Clk for OASI-Med	Mtchg for 1/7/25 pay period	1238.54
Scott Erthum	Reimb mile	231.15
Faith Reg	Pris exp	343.80
First Concord	FSA & Buy Dwn prems	125.00
First Concord	Ins claim payments	706.38
Peggy Graham	Reimb supplies	43.28
Peggy Gross	Reimb mile, etc	372.39
H & R	Pris meals, etc	286.90
Hampton Inn	Rooms for mtg	1124.55
Homestead Bank	Box rent	32.00
Dewey Jefferis	Prior Svc	13.00
KBR Rural Public	Svc	158.08
Sandra Lentz	Prior Svc	15.00
Madison Co CDC	MH Board exp	100.00
Madison Co Sheriff	MH Board exp	29.90
MIPS	Comp fees	2318.52
Nebraska.gov	DLR exp	0.84
Office Products	Maint Agreemts, etc	168.86
Jessica Pozehl	Reimb fuel	67.12
PrestoX	Svc	63.10
Quill	Supplies	43.11
Shirley Roetman	Prior Svc	10.00
Sennett,Duncan	Legal fees	433.34

Three River	Svc	486.80
Travis Electric	Repairs	156.61
UNL	Supplies	38.18
West Payment	Law Lib	414.81
Woods & Aitken	Consulting fees	1625.00
Dennis Bauer	Comm,$30.28/hr+$8.50 & CIL	2162.10
Jeremiah Dailey	Comm,$30.28/hr+$8.50 & CIL	2162.10
Raymond Small	Comm,$30.28/hr +$0.07 & cIL	2153.67
Lisa Chohon	Salary	1367.15
Rebecca Hardy	Salary & CIL	4001.99
Travis Hobbs	Clk ex officio-40hr wk-$31.73/hr+$1.60	3733.28
Melissa Freudenburg	Dep Trea-35 hr wk-$22.50/hr	2362.50
Bruce Mitchell	Trea-40hr wk-$30.28/hr +$17.60&CIL	3950.56
Kay Anderson	Salary	2026.50
Peggy Graham	Salary	2492.70
Peggy Gross	Assess-40hr wk-$30.28/hr +$17.60&CIL	3950.56
Lisa Chohon	Salary	70.11
Tammy Grupe	Salary	2640.00
Mary Jo McCall	Salary & CIL	2488.94
Ian Calder	Salary,Unif Allw & OT	3970.15
Joel Carpenter	Salary,Unif Allw, OT & CIL	3770.49
Tanya Cole	Salary	2659.68
Brent Deibler	Sheriff,UnifAll-40hrwk-$34.66/hr+$7.20	4116.52
Lori Ganser	Salary	880.00
Chelsea Grunhaupt	Salary	2886.00
Trenton Gurnsey	Salary	1636.19
Brock Hobbs	Salary, OT & CIL	3873.37
Kirk Kunze	Salary	1385.54
Vincent Lanas	Salary & OT	3283.88
John Mead	Salary & OT	3564.00
Joseph Taylor	Atty-$43.31/hr + $15.20 & CIL	5511.76
Zach Welch	Salary	3150.00
Brent Deibler	Salary	360.00
Sharon Goff	Salary	735.00
Traci Booth	Salary	3420.00
Jessica Pozehl	Salary	2880.00
Scott Erthum	Salary	855.03
Jacob Graff	Salary & CIL	3614.24

COUNTY HI-WAY

AgHeater	Repairs	265.59
Ains Auto	Repairs	34.90

AKRS	Repairs	36.06
Appeara	Svc	30.00
B's Enter	Chains	3863.00
Barco	Signs	183.08
BCBS	Ins premiums	11222.92
Bomgaars	Repairs, etc	813.50
City of Ains	Svc	75.00
City of Long Pine	Svc	47.00
Co Clk for OASI	Mtchg for 1/7/25 pay period	2070.61
Co Clk for OASI-Med	Mtchg for 1/7/25 pay period	484.26
First Class	Radio	150.00
First Concord	FSA & Buy Down premiums	42.50
KBR Rural Public	Svc	397.80
NMC	Repairs, etc	6153.97
NPPD	Svc	55.35
Northeast NE Tel	Svc	46.00
Office Products	Supplies	16.49
Rock Co Tire	Tire repairs	23.97
Sandhills St Bank	Truck payment	36396.89
Three River	Svc	108.67
Chance Cole	Salary, OT , Vac & CIL	4797.09
Austin Cook	Salary, OT & Vac	3187.03
Dustin Craven	Salary & CIL	4322.76
Joe Crooker, Sr	Salary	2358.70
Nakoa Fletcher	Salary & CIL	3401.85
Kade Gracey	Salary & OT	2957.24
Joe Kronhofman	Salary & OT	2772.00
Chris Osterman	Salary, Vac & OT	3391.70
Kenneth Turpin,Jr	Salary, Vac & CIL	5011.16
Bill Worden	Salary & OT	2746.60

VETERAN'S AID

Carrot-Top	Markers	2123.79

911 EM MGMT

OPTK Networks	Svc	127.16

911 WIRELESS

OPTK Networks	Svc	667.53

AMBULANCE

Brn Co Amb Assn	Reimb exps	1100.84
Co Clk for OASI	Mtchg for 1/7/25 pay period	106.95
Co Clk for OASI-Med	Mtchg for 1/7/25 pay period	25.05
Island Supply	Supplies	76.61
West Plains	Amb Payment	49856.25
Troy Brodbeck	Amb Attend	75.00
Troy Brodbeck	Amb Attend-Transfer	175.00
Brian Delimont	Amb Attend	25.00
Ann Fiala	Amb Attend	50.00
Drake Fiala	Amb Attend	75.00
Scott Goodloe	Amb Attend	50.00
Joe McMurtrey	Amb Attend	50.00
Darlene Miller	Amb Attend	100.00
Darlene Miller	Salary	500.00
Kurt Starkey	Amb Attend	50.00
Kurt Starkey	Amb Attend-Transfer	315.00
Nadine Starkey	Amb Attend	50.00
Nadine Starkey	Amb Attend-Transfer	210.00