

# CHEYENNE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSISONERS AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING

**October 7, 2024**

The Cheyenne County Board of Commissioners and Board of Equalization held an open and public meeting on Monday, October 7, 2024 in the Cheyenne County Commissioners Meeting Room, Cheyenne County Court House, 1000 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Sidney, Nebraska. A notice of this meeting was published in the Sidney Sun-Telegraph on October 3, 2024, posted on the bulletin board in the County Court House and on the Cheyenne County website. Copies of the agenda were posted on the Court House bulletin board and on the Cheyenne County website, transmitted to each Commissioner and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Darrell J. Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M., with the following present:

Randal D. Miller	Commissioner of the First District
Darrell J. Johnson	Commissioner of the Second District
Philip E. Sanders	Commissioner of the Third District
Beth E. Fiegenschuh	County Clerk and Clerk to the Board

Everyone present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Johnson announced a copy of the current Open Meetings Act is posted and made available in the Commissioners Meeting Room.

The current agenda was reviewed. A motion was made by Sanders, seconded by Miller to approve the agenda as written. Roll Call: Aye: Sanders, Johnson, Miller. Nay: None.

The Minutes of the September 16, 2024 meeting and the Minutes of the September 19, 2024 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Sanders to approve the Minutes of the meetings as written. Roll Call: Aye: Johnson, Miller, Sanders. Nay: None.

Abbreviations for claims: Ex (Expenses), Ga (Garnishment), In (Insurance), Mi (Mileage), Re (Retirement), Sa (Salaries), Se (Service), Su (Supplies), Ta (Tax), Ut (Utilities).

## **GENERAL FUND**

Employee Payroll 144,317.14-Sa; Abacus Data Syst 562.16-Ex; Aging Office of Western NE 5,488.00-Ex; Stacy Bach 5,000.00-Se; Benzel Pest Cntl 374.00-Se; Brenda Blanke 486.09-Mi/Ex; BC/BS 82,919.46-In; Bluffs Facility Solut 1,643.88-Su/Ex; Bomgaars 37.00-Su; C-Weed Mgmnt 5,722.00-Se; CenturyLink 9.59-Ut; Cheyenne Co Clerk 5,156.35-Ut/Ex/Su; Cheyenne Co Clerk 10,234.87-Re; Cheyenne Co Clerk 10,664.65-Ta; Cheyenne Co Court 649.00-Se; Cheyenne Co District Court 429.00-Se; Cheyenne Co Sheriff 562.00-Se; Cheyenne Co Treasurer 21,787.17-Ex; City of Sidney 7,500.00-Ex; City of Sidney 1,666.67-Ex; City of Sidney 2,002.02-Ut; Cranmore Pest Cntl 55.00-Se; Crossroads Coop Tech Serv 115.00-Se; Culligan 142.80-Su; Dash Medical Gloves 59.60-Su; Digital Ally 409.00-Ex; Douglas Kelly Ostdiek etal 77.00-Se; Sherrie Dudley 60.38-In; E&S Auto Sup 97.44-Ex; Eakes 2,802.86-Su; Election Syst & Software 2,431.57-Se; A Elliott Law 7,309.66-Se; Ellison Kovarik & Turman Law 349.16-Se; Lois Farmer 538.81-Ex; Beth Fiegenschuh 53.60-Mi; Finneys 273.54-Su/Ex; Five Nines Tech

11,097.00-Se; Frenchman Valley Coop 550.20-Ex; Goes Funeral Care 1,500.00-Se; Grainger 100.22-Ex; Hamilton 89.90-Se; Robert Harvoy 640.00-Se; High West Energy 46.30-Ut; Brian Hofer 292.39-Mi; Holyoke Snyder Longoria etal 1,390.97-Se; Hometown Leasing 1,206.13-Ex; Ron Kissler 125.00-Se; Kokes Auto Farm 36.97-Ex; Lyle Kurth 17.50-Re; Lincoln Co Detention Ctr 5,315.00-Se; Little Tornado Towing 423.50-Se; Matzke Mattoon Martens & Strommen 137.50-Se; Midwest Alarm 11.05-Ex; Midwest Special Serv 1,283.10-Mi/Ex; Miller Law Office 14,850.00-Se; MIPS 3,426.61-Se; NACO 320.00-Ex; NE County Atty 500.00-Ex; NebraskaLand Tire 116.38-Ex; Marleen Nienhueser 105.19-Mi; Panhandle Area Development Dist 1,701.04-Ex; Pottawattamie Co Sheriff 36.00-Se; Randys Auto Care 330.16-Ex/Se; Readers Digest 22.00-Ex; Region 1 OHD 9,307.50-Se; Region 1 BHA 7,558.00-Se; Royal Flush Sanitation 100.00-Se; Phil Sanders 84.42-Mi; Paul Schaub 50.00-Se; Schuh Rentals 150.00-Ex; ScottsBluff Co Detention Ctr 700.00-Se; Security First Bank 1,171.64-Re; Sidney Regional Med Ctr 1,100.00-Se; Sidney Regional Med Ctr 62.00-Se; Sonnys 71.94-Su; Spectrum 159.98-Se; State of NE DAS 709.00-Se; Thomson Reuters 2,730.00-Ex; Triple O's Building Sup 315.82-Su/Ex; US Bank Atty 119.98-Ut; US Bank Atty 7,153.24-Su/Ex/Se; US Bank Dist Court 108.90-Ex/Su; US Bank Sheriff 2,661.82-Ex/Su; Verizon Wireless 259.82-Se; Western Pathology 1,000.00-Se; WJF Consulting 1,317.00-Se; Youngs P&H 3,227.00-Se/Ex.  
TOTAL: \$ 407,774.64.

#### **ROAD FUND**

Employee Payroll 52,947.28-Sa; BC/BS 27,153.49-In; Bomgaars 3.18-Su; Cheyenne Co Clerk 278.86-Ut; Cheyenne Co Clerk 3,506.47-Re; Cheyenne Co Clerk 3,946.85-Ta; City of Sidney 740.69-Ut; Cliff Farms 3,517.50-Ex; E&S Auto 1,607.55-Ex/Su; Eakes 41.94-Su; Finneys 229.22-Su/Ex; Brad Franks 205.69-Mi; Hometown Leasing 198.22-Ex; Ideal Linen 190.93-Su/Ex; Inland Truck 4,613.95-Ex; Interstate Battery 422.85-Ex; Howard Kurth 270.00-Se; Andy McElroy 17.42-Mi; Matthew Mitchell 136.01-Mi; NE Machinery 3,220.31-Ex; NebraskaLand Tire 180.00-Ex; Nienhueser Farms 2,763.75-Ex; Powerplan 4,555.44-Ex; Skyler Saucedo 152.68-Ex; Sidney Glass 924.36-Ex; Spectrum 89.99-Se; Tyler Teague 1,100.00-In; US Bank 208.18-Ex; Verizon 93.71-Se; Village of Dalton 75.00-Ut; Village of Gurley 63.00-Ut; Village of Lodgepole 122.50-Ut; Village of Potter 112.71-Ut; Andrew Wagoner 30.82-Mi; 21<sup>st</sup> Century 1,751.79-Ex.  
TOTAL: \$ 115,472.34.

#### **VISITORS FUND**

Employee Payroll 2,754.00-Sa; Black Hills Energy 43.09-Ut; BC/BS 2,371.25-In; Cheyenne Co Clerk 185.90-Re; Cheyenne Co Clerk 207.01-Ta; Hometown Leasing 198.16-Ex; Kendra Mitchell 168.17-Mi; Sidney Sun Telegraph 13.84-Se.  
TOTAL: \$ 5,941.42.

#### **VISITOR IMPROVEMENT**

Cheyenne Co Treasurer 7,500.00-Ex.  
TOTAL: \$ 7,500.00.

#### **FAIR**

CleverTees 1,500.00-Ex; Romeo Entertainment 5,000.00-Ex; Sidney Glass 451.74-Ex.  
TOTAL: \$ 6,951.74.

#### **PRESERVATION & MODERNIZATION**

MIPS 343.00-Se.  
TOTAL: \$ 343.00.

## KENO

Critter Sitter 250.00-Se; US Bank Sheriff 120.06-Ex.  
TOTAL: \$ 370.06.

## E911 FUND

Employee Payroll 19,644.77-Sa; AT&T 308.40-Se; BC/BS 13,664.46-In; CenturyLink 69.93-Ut; CenturyLink 751.03-Ut; Cheyenne Co Clerk 1,326.02-Re; Cheyenne Co Clerk 1,438.34-Ta; Culligan 59.90-Su; Dalton Telephone 227.85-Se; DAS State Acctg 537.60-Se; Frontier 34.19-Se; Hamilton Info Syst 172.50-Se; Pioneer Network 2,087.00-Ex; Spectrum 244.62-Se; US Bank 4,573.58-Ex/Su; US Postal Service 120.00-Ex.  
TOTAL: \$ 45,260.19.

## WIRELESS 911

Hamilton Info Syst 1,337.30-Se.  
TOTAL: 1,337.30.

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Employee Payroll 4,871.94-Sa; Kay Anderson 350.00-Se; Black Hills Energy 40.09-Ut; BC/BS 4,443.85-In; Cheyenne Co Clerk 328.86-Re; Cheyenne Co Clerk 339.82-Ta; City of Sidney 253.20-Ut; Adam Hayward 350.00-Se; iPrint Technologies 404.00-Su; Brandon Loy 350.00-Se; NACO 160.00-Ex; Charles Roderick 350.00-Se; State of NE DAS 22.00-Se; US Bank 884.35-Se/Su/Ex; Elizabeth Yost 350.00-Se.  
TOTAL: \$ 13,498.11.

**GRAND TOTAL: \$ 604,448.80.**

---

A motion was made by Sanders, seconded by Miller to approve and pay all claims as stated above. Delinquent taxes were deducted where owing. Roll Call: Aye: Miller, Sanders, Johnson. Nay: None.

Under correspondence there was a letter from the Dalton Voluntary Fire Department requesting financial support for the Fire Department.

The Board discussed a Certificate of Cost Allocation Plan from WJE Consulting LLC regarding the preparation of a cost allocation to determine allowable costs incurred by the County to support and administer Federal and State programs. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Sanders to approve the Cost Allocation Plan. Roll Call: Aye: Sanders, Johnson, Miller. Nay: None.

Kendra Mitchell, Cheyenne County Tourism Director, addressed the Board regarding placement of Wayfaring guide signs on roadways and highways within the corporate limits of the City of Sidney in accordance with all regulations set by the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) and the City of Sidney authorizes Director Mitchell to enter into a written agreement with the NDOR stating the location, size and content of signs. The Visitors Committee has agreed to pay for the signs with the improvement funds for tourism and the marketing company will do the designs. Director Mitchell will act as an agent for the City to apply for the NDOR permits to get the signs and their locations approved. The City will be responsible for the installation for the signs, including the costs for posts and hardware to install the signs.

Joe McCarn, Chamber Director, updated the Board on Chamber activities.

Replacement of the Court House roof was discussed. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Sanders to direct County Attorney Schaub to begin advertising for bids for the replacement of the Court House roof. Roll Call: Aye: Johnson, Miller, Sanders. Nay: None.

Skyler Saucedo, Cheyenne County Highway Superintendent, updated the Board on road activities.

At 9:00 A.M., sealed bids were opened for building expansion on the Sheriff's evidence building and fencing around the evidence building. Bids were as follows:

Evidence Building:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Mark Chrisman Trucking, Inc.	\$159,798.88
Wieser Construction	\$116,575.00

Fencing:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Van Pelt Fencing	\$14,814.67
Van Pelt Fencing	\$21,376.77
American Fencing Company	\$19,504.07

After a review of the bids, a motion was made by Miller, seconded by Sanders table the awarding of the bids to allow Sheriff Adam Frerichs time to review the bids. Roll Call: Aye: Miller, Sanders, Johnson. Nay: None.

There were no comments from the public.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Johnson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:29 A.M.

Dated this 7th day of October 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Darrell J. Johnson, Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_  
Philip E. Sanders, Vice-Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_  
Randal D. Miller, Member

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Beth E. Fiegenschuh, Cheyenne County Clerk