

Deuel County Commissioner Meeting
December 3, 2024

The Deuel County Commissioners met on the above date with the following present: Chairperson Jim Reichman, Commissioner William Klingman, Commissioner Jean Timm. County Officials and employees present were County Attorney Jon Stellar, County Assessor Michele Bartlett, County Treasurer Alicia Adams, Sheriff Scott DeCoste, Sheriff's office administrator Leslie Snell, Deputy Jim McCormick, Roads Superintendent Kelly Kopetsky, Highway Superintendent Tony Krajewski, Kristian Fusilier, and Clerk Tammy Sherman. The meeting, notice of which was published in the Chappell Register according to law, was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence. Reference was made to open meeting laws, posted at the entrance of the room. Commissioner Klingman made a motion, second of Commissioner Timm to approve the consent agenda, December 3rd agenda, minutes of the regular meeting November 19, 2024, and warrants in the amount of \$117,942.15 (payroll \$40,899.84 and claims \$77,042.31). Timm, aye, Reichman, abstain, Klingman, aye.

GENERAL

PAYROLL		28873.96
ALICIA ADAMS	MILEAGE	161.34
AMERICAN FAMILY	PAYROLL DEDUCT	157.33
ANNA COLLINS	SERVICES	550.00
AUDREY LONG	COURT APPT. ATRNY	390.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	387.08
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE	14869.19
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	PAYROLL DEDUCT	624.94
CCECC-911	SERVICES	4331.58
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	61.14
CHAPPELL LUMBER	SUPPLIES	23.36
CHAPPELL MUNICIPAL	UTILITIES	618.72
CRANMORE PEST CONTROL	SERVICES	50.00
CREDIT MANAGEMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCT	253.89
CROSSROADS TECH	SERVICES	207.99
CVSOAN	DUES	100.00
DAS MATERIAL	SERVICES	303.75
DATASHIELD	SERVICES	60.00
DISCOVER BANK	PAYROLL DEDUCT	210.48
EAKES CORP	SUPPLIES	264.30
ABY MFG GROUP	UNIFORMS	301.50
FIRST CONCORD	PAYROLL DEDUCT	120.00
GOTO COMMUNICATIONS	SERVICES	535.27
GIS WORKSHOP LLC	SERVICES	834.00
HOMETOWN LEASING	OFFICE EQUIP	763.98
IDEAL LINEN	SERVICES	75.43
INTRALINKS	SERVICES	55.00
JIM REICHMAN	SERVICES	850.00
MADDOX MOTORS	REPAIRS	1650.50
MASA MTS	TRANSPORT INS	487.50
MENARDS	REPAIRS	43.24
MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS	SERVICES	112.00
MIPS	SERVICES	1551.19
NACO	CONVENTION	480.00
NATIONAL ASSOC OF CO	DUES	450.00
NE SUPREME COURT	INTERLOCAL	4428.72
PITNEY BOWES	SERVICES	422.70
PRINCIPAL LIFE	PAYROLL DEDUCT	564.06
ROBERT HARVOY	COURT APPT. ATRNY	455.00
SARA NELSON	MILEAGE	256.50
STEVEN ELM SHAEUSER	COURT APPT. ATRNY	3700.00
T.T.L. - STATE	PAYROLL DEDUCT	1273.93
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCT	1714.57
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	COUNTY SHARE	3503.17
TERRY DUFFIELD	SERVICES	550.00
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	PAYROLL DEDUCT	2932.63
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	COUNTY SHARE	4149.93
T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCT	3064.62
US BANK	REGISTRATION	181.49

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	ROAD & BRIDGE	
PAYROLL		12025.88
AMERICAN FAMILY	PAYROLL DEDUCT	30.94
BIG SPRINGS EQUIP	REPAIRS	180.18
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INS	6007.31
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	PAYROLL DEDUCT	197.82
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	83.53
CHAPPELL MUNICIPAL	UTILITIES	202.37
FIRST CONCORD	PAYROLL DEDUCT	204.16
MURPHY TRACTOR	REPAIRS	1026.21
NPPD	UTILITIES	44.49
PRINCIPAL LIFE	PAYROLL DEDUCT	263.69
T.T.L. - STATE	PAYROLL DEDUCT	596.67
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCT	677.67
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	PAYROLL DEDUCT	1217.30
T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCT	1395.12
TITAN MACHINERY	REPAIRS	399.60
US BANK	PARTS	488.09
VILLAGE OF BIG SPRINGS	UTILITIES	35.00
	VISITORS	
	PROMOTION	
PHELPS HOTEL	BANNERS	1012.60
	FAIR BOARD	
CHAPPELL MUNICIPAL	UTILITIES	<u>263.77</u>
TOTAL		\$ 117,942.15

The Deuel County Court fee report for November was presented for review and filing. The fee totals \$25,888.51. The Deuel County Clerk's office monthly report for November was presented for review and filing. The fee totals \$3,091.82.

No public comment.

Upon motion of Commissioner Reichman, seconded by Commissioner Timm, the board entered the Board of Equalization at 8:35 a.m. to hear Motor Vehicle Exemptions. Reichman, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

Motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm to authorize Chairperson Reichman to sign the memorandum of understanding with Cheyenne County, Kimball County and Deuel County to form a coalition for the purpose of applying for the FY 2026 Community Based Juvenile Services Aid. Timm, aye, Reichman, aye, Klingman, aye.

Planning & Zoning Administrator Bartlett presented and read Resolution 2024-24 upon recommendation of the Deuel County Planning & Zoning Board.

RESOLUTION 2024-24: WHEREAS, the County of Deuel, a political subdivision of the State of Nebraska, has a comprehensive development plan adopted October 2016 by the Deuel County Board of Commissioners (hereinafter "County Board of Deuel County") pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute 23-114.02; and WHEREAS, the County of Deuel, Nebraska is in the process of updating the comprehensive development plan; and WHEREAS, the County of Deuel, Nebraska has zoning regulations in place which are intended to direct the location of specific uses and provide for proper separation of conflicting uses; and WHEREAS, the County of Deuel has seen an interest in commercial wind energy systems and commercial solar energy systems, as defined in the current county zoning regulations; and WHEREAS, the County Board of Deuel County wishes to study the existing zoning regulations related to this use; and WHEREAS, the likelihood of commercial wind energy systems and commercial solar energy systems, as defined in the current county zoning regulations, in Deuel County is probable, the County Board desires to review regulations which are appropriate for the county and its residents; and WHEREAS, the Deuel County Planning Commission shall and hereby is directed to review the county zoning regulations and to then make specific recommendations for changes to the county zoning regulations dealing with commercial wind energy systems and commercial solar energy systems, as defined in the current county zoning regulations, before accepting, granting or recommending a conditional use permit for the construction of wind or solar farms; and WHEREAS, the County Board of Deuel County finds that the most appropriate way to work on said regulations is without the possibility of new applications coming forward during a time frame which allows consideration of appropriate commercial wind energy systems and commercial solar energy systems regulations. NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing statement, the County Board of Deuel County, Nebraska, hereby adopts the following resolution: *"BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of Deuel County, that a twelve (12) month moratorium on accepting any applications for commercial wind energy systems or commercial solar energy systems, as defined in the current county zoning regulations, is hereby invoked and approved " BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this moratorium will be extended if necessary in order to allow the planning and zoning commission to conduct public meetings, including but not limited to public hearings, in direct regards to current and potential changes to regulations pertaining to commercial wind energy systems and commercial solar energy systems; and to further allow any potential changes to be passed on to the Deuel County*

Board of Commissioners for review, approval, or disapproval with the same previously mentioned considerations as allowed for the Planning and Zoning Commission. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Deuel County, Nebraska, hereby directs the Deuel County Planning & Zoning Commission to review the county zoning regulations, to conduct any hearings, if necessary, and to make specific recommendations for changes to the county zoning regulations dealing with commercial wind energy systems and commercial solar energy systems, as defined in the current county zoning regulations, before accepting, granting or recommending a conditional use permit for the construction of commercial wind energy systems or commercial solar energy systems and that such recommendation shall be made within twelve (12) months of the signing of this Resolution. "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said twelve (12) month moratorium shall become effective as of the date of the approval of this Resolution."

Public comments were heard regarding the resolution. A motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm to approve Resolution 2024-24 as read. Klingman, aye, Reichman, aye, Timm, aye.

Highway Superintendent Krajewski updated the Board on the operations in the roads department.

Treasurer Adams presented a report on the allocated ARPA funds. A final report will be presented at the December 17th meeting to finalize the allocations.

A motion by Commissioner Reichman, seconded by Commissioner Klingman to update the Employee Manual to reflect the current health insurance benefits. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Reichman, aye.

Sheriff DeCoste presented the November fee report for review and filling. Total fees collected were \$569.00.

Sheriff DeCoste reported for the Sheriff's office. Sheriff DeCoste presented three informal quotes for a Ford Explorer. DeCoste advised that Garden County has a 2021 Ford Explorer patrol vehicle, fully equipped for sale. Upon reviewing the quotes, the Commissioners agreed that it would be to the County's advantage if DeCoste could get it purchased for the Sheriff's Dept. A motion was made by Commissioner Reichman and seconded by Commissioner Klingman for the purchase of the 2021 Ford Explorer with 40,000 miles and fully equipped for \$35,000 from Garden County. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Reichman, aye.

There being no further business, the board adjourned at 9:06 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, December 17, 2024, upon motion of Commissioner Reichman, second of Commissioner Klingman. Reichman, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Attest: _____

Tammy Sherman, Clerk

December 3, 2024
Board of Equalization

The Deuel County Board of Commissioners met on the above date at 8:35 a.m. with the following officials present; Commissioner Reichman, Commissioner Klingman, Commissioner Timm, County Attorney Stellar, County Assessor Bartlett, County Treasurer Adams, and Clerk Sherman.

Treasurer Adams presented a list of three nonprofit organizations that have applied for exemptions from motor vehicle taxes. Upon motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Reichman, the following are approved for exemption of motor vehicle taxes for 2024; Chappell Lions Club, 1987 Southwind-Fleetwood R.V., Chappell Assembly of God Church, 2017 Ford Passenger Van and a 2016 Ford Escape; Big Springs Assembly of God Church, 2004 Chevrolet van and a 1997 Dodge Ram. Reichman, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

There being no further business for the Board of Equalization, the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners re-convened at 8:40 a.m. upon motion by Commissioner Timm, seconded by Commissioner Klingman. Reichman, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

Attest: _____

Clerk, Tammy Sherman