

Deuel County Commissioner Meeting
June 3, 2025

The Deuel County Commissioners met on the above date with the following present: Chairperson Jim Reichman, Commissioner William Klingman, Commissioner Jean Timm, County Assessor Michele Bartlett, County Treasurer Alicia Adams, Sheriff’s office administrator Leslie Snell, Sheriff Scott DeCoste, Sheriff Deputy Jim McCormick, Roads Superintendent Kelly Kopetsky, Assistant Highway Superintendent Kristian Fusilier, Highway Superintendent Toney Krajewski, Jeremy Kral 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, June 3rd agenda, minutes of the regular meeting May 20th, 2025, and warrants in the amount of \$375,661.31 (payroll \$42,282.51 and claims \$333,378.80). Timm, aye, Reichman, abstain, Klingman, aye.

GENERAL		
PAYROLL		30193.49
ADVANCED LPR	TRAINING	8000.00
AMERICAN FAMILY ASSUR	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	157.33
ANNA COLLINS	SERVICES	625.00
AUDREY LONG	COURT APPT ATTRY	30.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	324.66
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INS	14230.11
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	597.65
C-WEED MANAGEMENT LLC	SERVICES	4258.35
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	63.22
CHAPPELL MUNICIPAL	UTILITIES	611.99
CHAPPELL SUPER FOODS	SUPPLIES	19.54
CRANMORE PEST CONTROL	SERVICES	50.00
DAS MATERIAL	SERVICES	250.00
DISCOVER BANK	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	224.94
EAKES	OFFICE SUPPLIES	55.00
ENGRAVERS	SUPPLIES	136.05
FIRST CONCORD	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	120.00
HOMETOWN LEASING	EQUIPMENT	186.15
JIM REICHMAN	SERVICES/CELL PHONE	900.00
MASA	TRANSPORT INS	475.00
MICHELE BARTLETT	MILEAGE	184.80
MIPS	SERVICES	1551.19
NE CO ATTORNEY ASSN	MEMBERSHIP	550.00
NE SUPREME COURT	INTERLOCAL	4428.72
NEBRASKA THERMAL	SAFETY EQUIP	4231.50
NIRMA	TRAINING	40.00
PITNEY BOWES	POSTAGE	422.70
POINT C	SERVICES	2573.52
PRINCIPAL LIFE INS	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	340.30
RELENTLESS LLC	TRAINING	1398.00
ROBERT HARVOY	COURT APPT ATTRY	363.40
STEVEN ELM SHAUSER	COURT APPT ATTRY	2560.00
T.T.L. - STATE	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1304.47
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1872.99
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	COUNTY SHARE	3704.89
T&K TIRE INC	SERVICES	283.05
TERRY DUFFIELD	SERVICES	550.00
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	3083.26
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	COUNTY SHARE	4300.56
T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	3614.05
US BANK	DUES/SUPPLIES	120.49
US BANK	FUEL/UNIFORMS/SCHO	2111.76
VAN ZEE HEATING	SERVICES	2982.75
ROAD & BRIDGE		
PAYROLL		12089.02
AMERICAN FAMILY	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	30.94
BIG SPRINGS EQUIP	EQUIP	3420.60

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INS	6007.31
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	197.82
C-WEED MANAGEMENT LLC	SERVICES	900.00
CHAPPELL MUNICIPAL	UTILITIES	194.11
FIRST CONCORD	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	204.16
NEBRASKA MACHINERY	REPAIRS	1650.24
PRINCIPAL LIFE	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	263.69
SHELCO CONSTRUCTION	ROAD REPAIRS	215140.09
T.T.L. - STATE	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	558.84
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	677.67
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1217.30
T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1369.81
VALLEY REPAIR	REPAIRS	3115.14
VILLAGE OF BIG SPRINGS	UTILITIES	35.00
	VISITORS PROMOTION	
CHAPPELL GOLF COURSE	ADVERTISING	925.00
	FAIR BOARD	
CHAPPELL MUNICIPAL	UTILITIES	179.78
	COVID FUNDS	
SHELCO CONSTRUCTION	ROAD REPAIR	<u>23403.91</u>
TOTAL		\$ 375,661.31

Public comment. None.

The Deuel County Court fee report for May was presented for review and filing. The fee totals \$16,949.44. The Deuel County Clerk’s office monthly report for May was presented for review and filing. The fee totals \$1,071.95.

No business for the Board of Equalization.

USDA Wildlife Specialist Jeremy Kral presented the renewal agreement for the Wildlife Animal Control. The agreement is for 250 hours of service work. The USDA will bill only for the hours worked. A motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm to approve the renewal of the agreement effective July 1, 2025. Reichman, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

County Assessor Bartlett presented the lease agreement for the Assessor’s copier and maintenance for the copy machine in the hallway for signing. The approval for the copier and maintenance agreement was made at the March 18, 2025, meeting.

Floodplain Administrator Bartlett presented Resolution 25-005 a Floodplain Management Resolution updating the Deuel County Floodplain Ordinances, per instruction from FEMA and the State of Nebraska Department of Natural Resources. The resolution was recommended for approval by the Planning & Zoning Board after a public hearing was held June 2, 2025. A motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm, to approve Resolution 25-005 as presented. Reichman, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

County Assessor Bartlett presented her three-year office plan required by the State of Nebraska. A motion was made by Commissioner Timm, seconded by Commissioner Klingman to approve the plan as presented. Reichman, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Planning & Zoning Administrator Bartlett presented the following building permits for final approval on the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Board. 2025-09 machine shed; 2025-10 house remodel; 2025-11 additional equipment to be added to a cell tower; 2025-12 additional equipment to be added to a cell tower. A motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm to approve the building permits as presented. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Reichman, aye.

Resolution 25-006 was presented concerning the Local Emergency Operations Plan; whereas, the Board of Commissioners of Deuel County, Nebraska, pursuant to Nebraska Statute, is vested with the authority of administering the affairs of Deuel County, Nebraska; and whereas, it has been determined that a Deuel County Local Emergency Operations Plan has been developed in order to provide for a coordinated response to a disaster or emergency in Deuel County, the City of Chappell and other cities and villages in Deuel County; and whereas, the Board of Commissioners of Deuel County, deems it advisable and in the best interest of Deuel County to approve said Local Emergency Operations Plan; WHEREAS, the acceptance of this 2025 Local Emergency Operations Plan supersedes all previous approved Deuel County Local Emergency Operations Plans. A motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Reichman to approve Resolution 25-006 as presented. Timm, aye, Reichman, aye, Klingman, aye.

County Treasurer Adams advised the Commissioners that interest cannot be forgiven for the delinquent gas, oil, and mineral lease taxes per State Statute. Per recommendation of the County Attorney and no other options to resolve this matter, a motion was made by Commissioner Klingman and seconded by Commissioner Timm, to proceed with paying the delinquent 2022/2024 gas, oil, and mineral leases from the general fund not to exceed \$2,400. Reichman, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

A brief discussion was held concerning the 2023/2024 audit. A motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm to approve the release of audit notes by Don Wilson to Dana J. Weber. Reichman, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

Krajewski, Fusilier and Kopetsky updated the Board on the operations in the roads department. The repairs on Road 165/167 south of Chappell are finished. The department will investigate if a weight limit will be maintained on this road. Maintenance and repairs will continue on all the roads in the county.

Sheriff DeCoste reported for the Sheriff’s office. The department will hold an auction on Thursday June 26th at 1:30 pm for the vehicles in the impound lot. The Roads Department will be selling excess vehicles on the Sheriff’s sale also.

A motion was made by Commissioner Klingman at 9:33 a.m. seconded by Commissioner Reichman to enter an executive session with the following present Reichman, Klingman, Timm, Stellar, Krajewski, Fusilier and Kopetsky to discuss a personnel issue. At 10:10 a.m. a motion was made by Commissioner Reichman, seconded by Commissioner Timm to adjourn from executive session. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Reichman, aye. No action taken.

There being no further business, the board adjourned at 10:16 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. in the Deuel County Courthouse upon motion of Commissioner Timm, second of Commissioner Reichman; Reichman, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Attest: _____

Tammy Sherman, Clerk