

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 2:30 pm.

Chairman Wakefield opened the meeting and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Wakefield took roll call and present were Commissioners Averill, Tranby, Zorn-present by phone, Edland, and Wakefield. Also present was Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien, Sheriff Hook, State's Attorney Tenneson, City Council Rep/Central Plains Rep/Citizen Perry and Citizen Stangeland.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor for any changes to the agenda. Motion by Tranby to accept the agenda as presented with the addition of the Sheriff's Budget, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to accept the May 18<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. Motion by Tranby to approve the May 18<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes as presented and dispense with the reading, second by Edland and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss bills. Motion by Edland to approve the bills as presented and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Averill-aye, Tranby-aye, Edland-aye, Zorn-aye, Wakefield-aye and carried.

12080-12101	Payroll	40,827.46
30129-30156	Townships/Cities	15567.80
30157-30161	Schools	17827.96
30162-30172	Other Entities	4605.09
30173	Aramark	156.76
30174	Arrowwood Prairie	9534.52
30175	Bin City Bulk	2076.75
30176	Christian Chrysler	115.45
30177	City of Cooperstown	227.09
30178	Cooperstown Hardware	122.17
30179	DNA Mobility	910.86
30180	EMC Insurance	1017.43
30181	H E Everson	463.40
30182	Gilbertsons	3826.42
30183	Great America Financial	79.00
30184	Griggs County	2549.10
30185	Griggs County Telephone	1411.45
30186	Information Technology	589.85
30187	Inland Truck Parts	2842.60
30188	Inter Community Telephone	150.00
30189	John Deere Financial	366.43
30190	Napa Auto	64.48
30191	NDACO	579.18
30192	ND Recorders Association	200.00
30193	ND State Radio 911	10697.76
30194	Office Experts	102.00
30195	Otter Tail Power	1362.76
30196	Quill	42.74
30197	Ramkota Hotel	264.60
30198	RDO Equipment	218.62

30199	Secretary State	36.00
30200	State Treasurer	1096.17
30201	Town & Country	19.10
30202	Truenorth Steel	24966.94
30203-30204	Postmaster Boxes	950.00

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Monthly Office Reports. Motion by Tranby to approve the monthly office reports as presented, second by Edland and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien. There was discussion on the Ackerman Estvold situation. Motion by Tranby to approve the supplemental request of the \$1750.40 to Ackerman Estvold, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Averill-aye, Tranby-aye, Zorn-aye, Edland-aye, Wakefield-nay, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the County Website. IT Palm is still waiting for information so the issue will be on the table until the next meeting.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Sheriff Protection Vest & the Sheriff Budget. The protection vest will be discussed at the next meeting and the Commission reviewed the Sheriff Budget that was presented.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Old Courthouse/New Courthouse. There was discussion on the process of Razing the Old Courthouse. Motion by Tranby to allow Commissioner Edland to contact the State Historical Society to discuss Griggs County’s options on the Old Courthouse, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Motion by Tranby to recess the regular meeting and move into Tax Equalization meeting, second by Zorn and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield called the Griggs County Tax Equalization to order. There was discussion on the information that was presented. Citizen Stangeland presented information and discussed one of his properties. He will get in contact with the assessor and the property will be discussed at the next meeting. There was also discussion on the Sales Ratio Study information that was presented. City Council Rep/Central Plains/Citizen Perry voiced his concern. Motion by Averill to recess the meeting, second by Tranby and called for discussion. There was continued discussion on the issue. Chairman Wakefield called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield reconvened the meeting and opened the floor to discuss future business. The Commission will discuss County Website, 2024 Budget, Tax Equalization, and Sheriff Protection vest at the next meeting.

Motion by Tranby to adjourn meeting at 3:29 pm and meet again in regular session on June 22nd at 2:30 pm, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays and carried.

ATTEST: Samantha Larson  
Auditor

John Wakefield  
Chairman