

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

FEBRUARY 18, 2025

GRANT, NEBRASKA

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Perkins County, Nebraska, was held at 8:30 a.m. in the County Courthouse in Grant, Nebraska.

Present: Commissioners Steve Tucker, Darin Robertson, Mark Bottom, Attorney Richard Roberts, and Clerk James Brueggeman.

Chairman Tucker called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. It was announced that notice of this meeting had been published in the Grant Tribune-Sentinel on February 13, 2025. Chairman announced the location of the Open Meetings Act Poster in the Commissioner’s Room. Commissioner Bottom made the motion to approve the minutes of February 3, 2025, meeting as published in the Grant Tribune-Sentinel, on Perkins County’s website, and made public in the Clerk’s Office. Commissioner Robertson seconded, roll call vote, 3 ayes, motion carried. The agenda was reviewed. Motion was made by Commissioner Robertson to approve the continuing agenda, seconded by Commissioner Bottom, roll call vote, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Claims submitted to the County Board were reviewed. A motion was made by Commissioner Bottom to approve the claims, seconded by Commissioner Robertson, roll call vote, 3 ayes, motion carried.

<b>COUNTY EMPLOYEES SALARIES</b>	63,951.42
<b>GENERAL</b>	
Adams Bank & Trust - Grant	337.50
Aflac	2120.49
American Legion Emblem Sales Div.	233.89
Ameritas, Retirement Plans Division	14259.25
AT&T Mobility	1419.38
Black Hills Gas Distribution, LLC	1906.87
Correll Refrigeration, Inc	1811.00
Credit Management	248.54
Culligan Water Conditioning	60.00
Das State Accounting – Central Finance	166.75
Datashield	125.25
Drivers License Guide Company	33.95

Ensz Hardware	206.48
Fiduciary Trust Co Of New Hampshire	750.00
Frenchman Valley Coop	1612.02
Great Plains Communication	1148.38
Hi-Line Cooperative, Inc	365.65
Holiday Inn - Kearney	279.90
Ideal Linen/Bluffs	65.66
Kathy Woodmancy	104.19
Law Office Of Steven E Elmshaeuser	537.50
NACEB	100.00
NACO	90.00
NE Assn Of Cnty Clerks, ROD, Election	50.00
NE Weed Control Association	150.00
Office Service, Inc	556.00
Panhandle Collections, Inc	218.78
Pinnacle Bank	38188.48
Pinnacle Bank - Grant	4373.74
Pinnacle Bank	11676.17
Pinnacle Bank - Omaha	2016.93
Pitney Bowes Global Financial, LLC	182.58
Relx, Inc dba LexisNexis	301.00
Rembolt Ludtke LLP	913.50
Sandhills State Bank	1127.50
Stanard Appraisal Services, Inc	607.50
State Of NE - Dept Of Revenue	5019.11
Steve Leimer	91.97
T&K Tire Inc	946.26
Thomson Reuters-West	152.25
TK Elevator Corporation	445.14
U S Bank	63.89
U S Postal Service	3000.00
UNL Extension Perkins County	45.19
Verizon Wireless	42.94
WI Services Company	500.00

**ROADS**

Aflac	225.80
Aurora Cooperative	6872.07
Bomgaars Supply	99.99
Brian Brassfield	90.00
Charles Sargent Irrigation Co, Inc	58.96
Cornhusker Glass, Inc	806.50
Ensz Hardware	652.87
Frenchman Valley Coop	145.34
Great Plains Communication	219.99
Hatch's Super Foods, Inc	18.07
Hi-Line Cooperative, Inc	2012.45
Highline	52.65
Imperial Napa	16.74
MCI	29.84
Medical Enterprises, Inc	108.00
Midwest Electric Cooperative Corp	108.20
NE Child Support Pymt Center	250.00
NMC, Inc	49505.84
Pinnacle Bank	228.42
Prairie States Communications, Inc	329.80
Regier Truck Sales	2588.67
State Of NE - Dept Of Revenue	633.39
Viaero Wireless	64.38
Waste Connections, Inc	257.86

**FAIR**

Black Hills Gas Distribution, LLC	272.12
Ideal Linen/Bluffs	316.03
Russell Lee	193.44

**PUBLIC TRANSIT**

Black Hills Gas Distribution, LLC	384.67
Pronto Convenience	672.86
State Of Ne - Dept Of Revenue	23.14
Verizon Wireless	25.84

**INHERITANCE**

Pinnacle Bank 60354.67

**WIRELINE 911**

Century Link 13186.73

Consolidated Telcom, Inc 119.04

Great Plains Communication 83.32

**LOCAL AMBULANCE**

Deaver Computer Service, LLC 108.94

Frenchman Valley Coop 23.04

Henry Schein, Inc 101.58

One Billing Solutions, LLC 349.58

Verizon Wireless 80.02

**TRANSFER AMBULANCE**

Aurora Cooperative 405.46

Express Toll 40.30

One Billing Solutions, LLC 477.09

Pinnacle Bank - Omaha 728.62

Rick Ochsner 125.00

Ross Family Auto Parts, Inc 23.99

State Of Ne - Dept Of Revenue 57.64

Verizon Wireless 80.02

**Public Forum:**

Opened at 8:40 a.m. and Closed at 9:25 a.m. Jana Turner and Eric McCormick presented information to Commissioners on the current condition and various options for replacement of the ballfield restrooms in Grant. Commissioners plan to further study the issue and possible solutions. Commissioner Bottom will remain liaison for Perkins County with Turner and McCormick's ballfield restroom improvement group.

**Correspondence:**

Commissioners reviewed a letter from the City of Grant regarding an upcoming public hearing as and a letter with brochure concerning the NIRMA annual report.

**Unfinished Business:**

Chairman Tucker opened the Perkins County, Nebraska, J Bar J Landfill, Inc. Landfill Host Agreement Public Hearing at 9:00 a.m. Legal counsel representing Perkins County and J Bar J Landfill, Inc. appeared by Zoom to review and update Commissioners and those in attendance regarding “The Proposed Solid Waste and Hosting Agreement” between the landfill and county. Commissioners discussed the agreement and asked for any public comment. Dennis Demmel presented the Commissioners with a list of concerns and suggestions regarding the agreement. Ruth Demmel clarified the life expectancy of the landfill and expressed concern regarding the availability, timeliness, and method whereby Perkins County should receive monitoring reports from the facility. Caleb Richter-Tate expressed his wishes for landfill property being retired to be used in a way that benefits Perkins County and its residents. Commissioner Tucker closed the public hearing at 9:25 a.m. Commissioners asked Attorney Roberts to work with Perkins County and J Bar J Landfill, Inc. counsel to draft a final revision of the host agreement for Commissioners to consider at their March 3, 2025, board meeting.

Phil Calkins and Perkins County Veteran Service Board members spoke with Commissioners about the Veteran Service Officer position. Michelle Ross also offered commentary in support of the Veteran Service Board position. Commissioner Bottom and a contingent of Veteran Service Board members plan to meet with Stephanie Larson to again discuss Larson’s wage request along with one of the Chase County Commissioners to examine the possibility of an interlocal agreement for a shared Veteran Service Officer.

Commissioners and Ex Officio Clerk of the District Court Brueggeman continued discussion on the proposed transitioning of Clerk of the District Court positions from county-funded elected offices to state-funded positions under the Nebraska Judicial Branch. Brueggeman informed Commissioners Perkins County Court Clerk Magistrate Kathy Woodmancy and he are both enrolled to attend District Court training in North Platte February 25-28, 2025. Commissioners asked Brueggeman for a follow-up report after completion of the training.

#### New Business:

Commissioner Robertson offered a motion to hire Chase Zwicker as an employee in Perkins County Road District 1 effective March 1, 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Bottom, roll call vote, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Tucker open a public hearing on the One and Six Year Road Plan at 10:00 a.m. Highway Superintendent Steve Leimer handed out documents concerning the plan to those in attendance and gave a presentation. Dennis and Ruth Demmel

commented on the deteriorating condition over the past several years of Road 769 between Road 324 and Highway 61. Commissioner Tucker shared his ideas for improving problem sections of the road. Commissioner Tucker closed the public hearing at 10:20 a.m. Following the hearing, Commissioner Robertson moved to adopt Resolution 2025-4 approving the One and Six Year Road Plan. Commissioner Bottom seconded, roll call vote, 3 ayes, Resolution Adopted.

**Business With Officials:**

Treasurer Julie Sestak provided the Commissioners with a resolution to transfer funds. Commissioner Bottom moved to adopt Resolution 2025-3 to transfer \$10,000 from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the Wireline 911 Fund as a loan to be repaid when the balance of the Wireline 911 Fund allows. Commissioner Robertson seconded the motion, roll call vote, 3 ayes, Resolution Adopted.

The Board heard reports from Highway/Noxious Weed Superintendent Steve Leimer, and County Clerk James Brueggeman concerning their areas of county operations.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, March 3, 2025, at the Perkins County Courthouse in Grant, Nebraska.

12:00 p.m. Commissioner Bottom made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Robertson, roll call vote, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

James D. Brueggeman  
County Clerk