

February 8, 2024  
Gering, Nebraska

With appropriate advertising for Highland Road, Project C-79(433), a meeting was held on February 8, 2024 at 2:30 PM, in the office of the Scotts Bluff County Clerk. Present: Joshua Washburn, Simon Contractors Superintendent; Jack Baker, JEO Consulting; Doug Stearley, Simon Contractors; Steve Baird, Highway Superintendent; and Kelly Sides, County Clerk. One sealed bid from Simon Contractors was opened in the amount of 999,600 with a completion date of June 1. The bid will be tabulated and awarding considered at the regular Scotts Bluff County Commissioners meeting on February 20, 2024 at 4:30 P.M. The meeting adjourned at 2:31 PM.

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The Board of Commissioners, Board of Corrections and Board of Equalization of Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska met in an open and public meeting at 4:30 PM, February 20, 2024, in the Commissioners Room, County Administration Building in Gering, Nebraska.

A notice of this meeting was published in the Star-Herald, February 15, 2024, and proof of publication is on record. Copies of the agenda, kept continuously current, were available from the County Clerk's office and were submitted to each of the Commissioners on February 16, 2024.

ROLL CALL: Ken Meyer, Mark Harris, Russ Reisig, Mike Blue. Absent: Charlie Knapper joining telephonically as a non-voting member.

A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was acknowledged.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion: Blue. Second: Harris. Approve agenda as amended, removing letter of support for broadband projects for Nextlink Internet. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Reisig. Receive Consent Agenda. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Enter Board of Equalization at 4:34 PM. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Reisig. Receive tax list corrections. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Approve tentative dates for Protest Hearings beginning July 8, 2024. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Reisig. Second: Blue. Leave Board of Equalization at 4:42 PM. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Harris. Second: Reisig. Approve awarding of bid for Highland Road, Project C-79(433) to Simon Contractors in the amount of \$856,030.00 as recommended by Steve Baird, Highway Superintendent. Baird explained the negotiations between the County and Simon Contractors, with Scotts Bluff County handling traffic control during the project. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Discussion was held regarding road and bridge weight limits and use with the Board; Steve Baird, Highway Superintendent; Lisa Rien, Management Accountant; Sheriff Mark Overman; Ben Janssen, Bayard resident; Kelly Sides, County Clerk and Matt Silverman; Scotts Bluff County resident. No action taken.

Motion: Reisig. Second: Harris. Approve Brenda Leisy, Tourism Director serving as Public Sector Vote for the Western Nebraska Tourism Coalition with Chuck Heeman serving as alternate. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Reisig. Second: Harris. Table any action regarding letter of support for broadband projects for Great Plains Communications. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Reisig. Second: Blue. Approve advertising for the appointment of the Assessor position for Scotts Bluff County. Vice-Chairman Harris and Commissioner Blue will serve on the committee to select Assessor. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Old Business – None.

No public comment.

The Board gave updates on various boards and agencies. The Board received updates from Kelly Sides, County Clerk; Lisa Rien, Management Accountant; Robert Simpson, Assessor Office Manager; and Steve Baird, Highway Superintendent.

Motion: Blue. Second: Reisig. Move into Executive Session at 6:00 PM for the purpose of a personnel issue. Participants to include The Board, Lisa Rien, Management Accountant; Jean Bauer, Register of Deeds and Interim Deputy Assessor; and Robert Simpson, Assessor Office Manager. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Return from Executive Sessions at 6:54 PM.

Roll Call: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. Absent; Knapper. No decisions or action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

The following claims were audited, allowed and checks ordered drawn on the various funds, delinquent taxes deducted where owing: **GENERAL:** A ELLIOTT LAW; SVC; 1600; ACE HARDWARE; SUPP; 34.96; ADAMS CO SHERIFFS OFFICE; FEE; 46.5; ALARM SECURITY TECHNICIANS; SVC; 85; ALLO; SVC; 5082.32; BOX BUTTE CO SHERIFF; FEE; 18.5; C BRANDT; SVC; 594.37; BYTES; SVC; 28167.5; CENTURYLINK; SVC; 30.91; CENTURYLINK; SVC; 204.55; CHARTER COMM; SVC; 307.94; CIVIL AIR PATROL MAGAZINE; FEE; 45; CNA SURETY DIRECT BILL; FEE; 40; COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC; PUB; 89.43; CONNECTING POINT; SVC; 1282.21; CVSOAN; FEE; 120; DAS STATE ACCTG CENTRAL FINANCE; SVC; 150; S DAVIDSON; TRVL; 112.78; DENNIS SUPPLY; RPR; 1006.65; DOUGLAS KELLY OSTDIEK OSSIAN; SVC; 387; EAKES; SUPP; 806.58; FAT BOYS TIRE & AUTO; SVC; 18; R FLOWER; SVC; 1630; FRANK PARTS; RPR; 469.5; GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES; SUPP; 131.95; D HAMON; SUPP; 1000; HI PERFORMANCE CAR WASH; SVC; 21.38; HOLYOKE SNYDER LONGORIA REICHERT; SVC; 3665.76; IDEAL BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS; SUPP; 561.35; IDEAL LINEN; SUPP; 65.48; INDEPENDENT PLG & HTG; RPR; 531.82; INDOFF; SUPP; 140; ISLAND LAW; SVC; 1350; JRODZ TOWING AND RECOVERY; SVC; 95; JUSTICE WORKS; FEE; 200; LANCASTER CO SHERIFF; FEE; 38.1; MADELUNG LAW; SVC; 160; MARVIN PLANNING CONSULTANTS; SVC; 1000; MICROFILM IMAGING SYS; RENT; 447.5; MILLER OFFICE PRODUCTS; SVC; 50; MIPS; SVC; 19162.76; NE ASSOC OF CO CLERKS RODS ELECT C; FEE; 50; NEBRASKA ASSOC OF COUNTY TREASURERS; FEE; 50; NE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CNTR; TRVL; 25; NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB; SVC; 349.2; NEBRASKALAND TIRE NKC TIRE GROUP; SVC; 1545.93; NOSSAMAN PETITT LAW; SVC; 2865.25; OREILLY AUTO PARTS; SUPP; 33.47; PANHANDLE COOP; FUEL; 6663.96; PANHANDLE HUMANE SOCIETY; SVC; 2348.25; PELL REPORTING; SVC; 259.25; W PETERS; SVC; 271; PRINT EXPRESS; SUPP; 358.84; RWMC; SVC; 709.35; RIVERSTONE BK; FEE; 10; T RODAK; SVC; 3000; SCB CO BAR ASSOCIATION; FEE; 1000; SCB CO CLERK OF THE DIST CT CERT CO; FEE; 14; SCB CO CLERK OF THE DIST CT FILING; FEE; 1053; SCB CO CLERK OF THE DIST CT; RBMT; 55; SCB CO COURT; FEE; 18; SCB CO COURT NON WAIVERABLE FEES; FEE; 3675.75; SCB CO ROAD & BRIDGE; FUEL; 228.48; SCB CO SHERIFF FEE ACCOUNT; FEE; 1118; SCB CO TREASURER; POST; 3767.22; SCB CO TREASURER; POST; 4611.4; SCB CO TREASURER QUADIENT; POST; 4000; SCB CO WEED CONTROL; VHCL; 5000; SHAGGY BUFFALO CAR WASH; SVC; 90; SHERWIN WILLIAMS; RPR; 148.98; R SIMPSON; RBMT; 138.93; SORENSEN HAHN BROWNING & JUDY; SVC; 650; STAPLES; SUPP; 418.37; WESTERN NEBRASKA NEWSPAPERS; PUB; 7344; J STEINLE; RBMT; 109.56; L TABOR; SVC; 3916; P TALLMAGE; SVC; 715.5; THOMPSON GLASS; RPR; 200; THOMSON REUTERS; SVC; 3217.73; TRANE US; SVC; 4441.94; TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE; SVC; 176.2; US BANCORP; MISC; 8773.55; VALLEY AUTO LOCATORS; RPR; 20; VERIZON WIRELESS; SVC; 140.94; WITNESS FEES 622 COUNTY COURT; FEE; 73.4; **ROAD & BRIDGE:** ACE HARDWARE; SUPP; 32.93; AIRGAS USA; SUPP; 250.98; ALLO; SVC; 8.97; B&C STEEL; SUPP; 227.93; BAKER & ASSOC; SVC; 3500; CAPITAL ONE TRADE CREDIT; SUPP; 60.58; CENTURYLINK; SVC; 152.58; CERTIFIED POWER; RPR; 292.1; EAKES; SUPP; 239.12; FAT BOYS TIRE & AUTO; SVC; 2089.26; FILTERCARE; SUPP; 416.5; FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER; RPR; 2276.65; FRANK PARTS; RPR; 3673.31; GARY'S CLEANING PACHECO; SVC; 490; CITY OF GERING LANDFILL SYSTEM; SVC; 98.69; GROSKOPF LAND AND CATTLE; SUPP; 345; IDEAL BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS; SUPP; 72.7; IDEAL LINEN; SUPP; 138.89; INLAND TRUCK PARTS; RPR; 483.43; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL; RPR; 357.52; MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS; SUPP; 6737; MATHESON TRI-GAS; SUPP; 697.3; MICHAEL TODD INDUSTRIAL; SUPP; 515.96; MORRILL HARDWARE & BLDG SUPPLIES; SUPP; 2.82; MORRILL SUPPLY; SUPP; 25.58; NPPD; SVC; 78.73; NEBRASKALAND TIRE; RPR; 1944.01; R NICHOLS; SUPP; 3502.5; NMC EXCHANGE; RPR; 7033.37; NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS; SUPP; 99.52; PANHANDLE COOP; RPR; 50; PLATTE RIVER GLASS; RPR; 1246.56; POWERPLAN; RPR; 8788.31; ROCKY MOUNTAIN AIR SOLUTIONS; SUPP; 124.63; SAPP BROS PETROLEUM; FUEL; 26415.91; SCB CO REGISTER OF DEEDS; FEE; 16; TEAM AUTO CENTER; RPR; 26.9; US BANCORP; MISC; 2091.57; VERIZON CONNECT FLEET USA; SVC; 1020.8; VERIZON WIRELESS; SVC; 26.06; VILLAGE OF LYMAN; SVC; 114.73; WASTE CONNECTIONS; SVC; 333.57; WESTCO; SUPP; 970.79; WPCI; SVC; 97; WYOMING BEARING & SUPPLY; RPR; 694.85; **HIGHWAY/BRIDGE BUY-BACK FUND:** BAKER & ASSOC; SVC; 9209; **TOURISM:** ALLO; SVC; 282.7; COZAD SIGNS; SVC; 105; LEGACY OF THE PLAINS MUSEUM; RENT; 6000; B LEISY; TRVL; 167.73; SCB CO TREASURER; POST; 17.36; US BANCORP; MISC; 425.16; D WOLF; TRVL; 288.1; **SELF-INSURED MEDICAL FUND:** PLATTE VALLEY NTL BK; INS; 115517.14; **GENERAL ASSISTANCE:** ALLO; SVC; 5.3; CANDLELIGHT INN & LOUNGE; ASST; 917; CIRCLE S LODGE; ASST; 59; ECONO LODGE; ASST; 118; D LEEPER; ASST; 150; NPPD; ASST; 304.01; PANHANDLE COOP; FUEL; 42.5; **HANDY BUS:** ACTION COMM; SVC; 1250; ALLO; SVC; 2.25; AT&T MOBILITY; SVC; 600.6; FAT BOYS TIRE & AUTO; RPR; 1471.19; FRANK PARTS; SUPP; 19.59; FRESH FOODS; SUPP; 2; IDEAL BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS; SUPP; 118.35; MAINTAIN X; SVC; 122.99; MENARDS; RPR; 261.17; PANHANDLE COOP; FUEL; 8385.03; TRAPEZE SOFTWARE GROUP; SVC; 1809.69; TWIN CITY AUTO; RPR; 2258.34; **WING-DRUGS FUND:** PETTY CASH WING; POST; 17.85; US BANCORP; MISC; 7.01; **FEDERAL DRUG FORFEITURE FUND:** ENSURITY MOBILE CORP; SUPP; 2268; US BANCORP; MISC; 2300; **HIDTA FUNDS:** AT&T MOBILITY; SVC; 258.24; D CHRISTENSEN; RBMT; 5998.04; GERING POLICE DEPT; RBMT; 750; SCOTTSBLUFF POLICE DEPT; RBMT; 1125; US BANCORP; MISC; 3316.88; **HOMELAND SECURITY FUND:** US BANCORP; MISC; 1283.33; **DETENTION CENTER:** ACE HARDWARE; RPR; 37.52; ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE; SVC; 41871.89; AIRGAS USA; SUPP; 100.68; ALLO; SVC; 399.21; BENZEL PEST CONTROL; SVC; 112.34; BLACK HILLS ENERGY; SVC; 9650.82; CHARM-TEX; SUPP; 1274.1; COREMR; SVC; 1250; CULLIGAN; RENT; 422; DENNIS SUPPLY; RPR; 1873.36; HONEYWAGON EXPRESS; SVC; 400; M HUTT; SVC; 450; IDEAL BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS; SUPP; 1452.81; IDEAL LINEN; SUPP; 695.07; MENARDS; SUPP; 363.75; MOBIUS COMM; SUPP; 2127.31; NE STATE FIRE MARSHAL AGENCY; SVC; 72; NEBRASKALAND TIRE; RPR; 827.76; PANHANDLE COOP; FUEL; 1238.34; RASMUSSEN MECHANICAL SVC; SVC; 2869; SCB CO TREASURER; POST; 20.09; GERING DENTAL CLINIC; SVC; 480; SIMPLY CLEAN; SUPP; 855.87; SUMMIT FOOD SVC; SVC; 20706.07; US BANCORP; MISC; 6904.39; WINSUPPLY; SUPP; 1135.77; WYOMING BEARING & SUPPLY; RPR; 138.41; **JAIL OBLIGATION BOND:** MOBIUS COMM; SVC; 4884.07.

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