

January 31, 2024
Gering, Nebraska

With appropriate advertising for Project C-79 (444) Bridge C007911450, a meeting was held on January 31, 2024 at 10:00 AM, in the office of the Scotts Bluff County Clerk. Present: Steve Baird, Highway Superintendent; Adam Vath, MC Schaff; Morgan Kihlthau, Eric Reichert Construction; Taylor McDaniel, Mark Chrisman Trucking; Tyler Isom, Paul Reed Construction; and Kelly Sides, County Clerk. Five sealed bids from Infinity Construction for \$107,380.00, Pine Bluffs Gravel for \$142,957.60; Eric Reichert for \$101,480.91, Paul Reed Construction for \$179,420.40 and Mark Chrisman Trucking for \$162,070 were opened. The bids will be tabulated and awarding considered at the regular Scotts Bluff County Commissioners meeting on February 5, 2024 at 4:30 P.M. The meeting adjourned at 10:07 AM.

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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 5, 2024, in the Commissioners Room, County Administration Building in Gering, Nebraska.

A notice of this meeting was published in the Star-Herald, February 1, 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 2, 2024.

ROLL CALL: Ken Meyer, Mark Harris, Russ Reisig, Mike Blue. Absent: Charlie Knapper.

A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was acknowledged.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion: Blue. Second: Reisig. Approve agenda as presented. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

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

4:33 – Public Hearing for the future sale of three (3) properties, all tracts are located in Section 18, Township 23 N, Range 57 W.

Cynthia Scott and Mary Welsch spoke in favor of the sale. Lydia Eisenbarth joined via WebEx and spoke in favor of the sale. No one spoke in opposition.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Approve upcoming sale of parcel 1) described as: Beginning at the NW Corner of Section 18, thence southerly on the West line of said section, a distance of 437 feet, thence easterly, parallel to the North line of said section a distance of 60 feet, thence northerly, parallel to the West line of said section a distance of 437 feet to the North line of said section, thence westerly on said North line a distance of 60 feet to the point of beginning containing an area of 0.60 acres more or less. The sale of this parcel will be at a public auction to be held on March 5, 2024, at 8:30 AM, and will be conducted by the chairman of the board. YEA: Harris, Blue, Reisig, Meyer. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Harris. Approve upcoming sale of parcel 2) described as: With reference to the NW Corner of Section 18, thence southerly on the West line of said section, a distance of 437 feet to the point of beginning, thence continuing southerly on the West line of said section to the point of intersection with North right of way line of U.S. Highway 26, thence easterly on said North right of way line to a point which is 33 feet easterly at right angles with said West line of Section 18, thence northerly, parallel with said West line to a point which is the point of intersection with a line being 437 feet southerly of and parallel with the North line of Section 18, thence westerly a distance of 33 feet to the point of beginning. The sale of this parcel will be at a public auction to be held on March 5, 2024, at 8:30 AM, and will be conducted by the chairman of the board. YEA: Blue, Harris, Reisig, Meyer. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Approve Commissioner Reisig abstaining from decision on parcel 3) due to a conflict of interest. YEA: Harris, Blue, Meyer. NAY: None. Abstain: Reisig. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Harris. Approve upcoming sale of parcel 3) described as: With reference to the Northeast Corner of Section 13; thence southerly on the East line of Section 13 to a point 33 feet South of the Northwest Corner of Section 18, Township 23 North, Range 57 West of the 6th P.M., and the True Point of Beginning; thence continuing southerly on the East line of Section 13 to the point of intersection with the North Right-of-Way line of U.S. Highway 26; thence westerly on said North line to a point which 33 feet westerly at right angles with the East line of Section 13; thence northly parallel with the East line of Section 13 to a point which is 33 feet South and 33 feet West of the Northwest Corner of the aforementioned Section 18; thence easterly a distance of 33 feet to the Point of Beginning. The sale of this parcel will be at a public auction to be held on March 5, 2024, at 8:30 AM, and will be conducted by the chairman of the board. YEA: Blue, Harris, Meyer. NAY: None. Abstain: Reisig. Absent: Knapper.

Public Hearing closed at 4:52 PM.

Motion: Blue. Second: Reisig. Enter Board of Equalization at 4:52 PM. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Reisig. Approve four (4) motor vehicle exemptions for Cirrus House, Scottsbluff as recommended by Heather Hauschild, Treasurer. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Harris. Approve fourteen (14) motor vehicle exemptions for Regional West Medical Center, Scottsbluff as recommended by Heather Hauschild, Treasurer. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

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

The Board received a listing of Permissive Exemptions for a future public hearing from Jean Bauer, Interim Deputy Assessor – Robert Simpson, Assessor Office Manager. No action taken.

Motion: Reisig. Second: Blue. Leave Board of Equalization at 5:00 PM. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Reisig. Second: Blue. Approve awarding of bid for County Road G bridge, Project C-79(444) C007911450 to Eric Reichert in the amount of \$101,480.91 as recommended by Steve Baird, Highway Superintendent. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Reisig. Approve 2 stop sign resolutions for CR T and CR 24 as recommended by Steve Baird, Highway Superintendent following a traffic study. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Reisig. Second: Blue. Table decision regarding change order for project C-79(420) Bridge C007910920. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Discussion was held regarding upgrading motor graders. No action taken.

Discussion was held regarding correction to Commissioner Appointment sheet with regard to Region 22 Emergency Management changing “Advisory Board” to “Board of Directors”. No action taken.

The Board received the Scotts Bluff County Extension Annual Report. No action taken.

Motion: Reisig. Second: Blue. Table any action regarding letter of support for broadband projects as requested by John Barrett, Great Plains Communications Vice President of Government Affairs. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Reisig. Second: Blue. Table any action regarding letter of support for broadband projects as requested by Ebony E. Cooksey, Nextlink Internet Market Development Manager. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Harris. Approve updates to Sick Leave – Definition #7202.000 as recommended by the Personnel Board. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Harris. Approve updates to Sick Leave – Definition #7204.00 B as recommended by the Personnel Board. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Harris. Approve updates to FMLA – Benefit, Eligibility #7304.000 A as recommended by the Personnel Board. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Harris. Second: Reisig. Approve updates to FMLA – Benefit, Substitution #7304.000 E as recommended by the Personnel Board. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Meyer. Approve updates to FMLA – Intermittent Leave #7306.500 as recommended by the Personnel Board. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Approve updates to FMLA – Recertification #7306.750 as recommended by the Personnel Board. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Approve updates to Intermittent Employee #3035.000 as recommended by the Personnel Board. YEA: Meyer, Harris, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Old Business – None.

No public comment.

The Board gave updates on various board and agencies. The Board received updates from Lisa Rien, Management Accountant; Curt Richter, Transit Manager; Robert Simpson, Assessor Office Manager and Jean Bauer, Interim Deputy Assessor; Steve Baird, Highway Superintendent and Kelly Sides, County Clerk.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM.

The following claims were audited, allowed and checks ordered drawn on the various funds, delinquent taxes deducted where owing: **GENERAL:** ACE HARDWARE, SUPP, 7.59; AHLERS BAKING, SUPP, 29.98; ALLO, SVC, 54.56; AT&T DIST 12 PROBATION, SVC, 64.11; AT&T MOBILITY, SVC, 1575; BLACK HILLS ENERGY, SVC, 4606.68; C BRANDT, SVC, 266.9; R BRENNER, SVC, 1960; BYTES, SVC, 36648.4; CAPITAL ONE, SUPP, 61.44; CENTURY BUSINESS PROD, RENT, 123.31; CENTURLINK, SVC, 29.47; COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC, PUB, 355.06; CONNECTING POINT, SUPP, 1486.02; CROWNE PLAZA, TRVL, 404.85; CULLIGAN, SUPP, 13; DAS CENTRAL SERVICES FINANCE, SVC, 235.09; DAS STATE ACCTG CENTRAL FINANCE, SVC, 150; DENNIS SUPPLY, B&G, 251.55; DOCU-SHRED, SVC, 706; DOUGLAS KELLY OSTDIEK OSSIAN, SVC, 6460; EAKES, SUPP, 5285.55; R FLOWER, SVC, 5194.71; CITY OF GERING UTILITY DEPT, SVC, 12032.59; GREATAMERICA FINANCIAL SRVCS CORP, SVC, 1042.15; HOLYOKE SNYDER LONGORIA REICHERT, SVC, 9456.58; M HUTT, SVC, 1550; IDEAL BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS, B&G, 379.5; IDEAL LINEN, SUPP, 71.23; INDOFF, SUPP, 65.67; ISLAND LAW, SVC, 800; JG ELLIOTT INS, BOND, 40; JURY FEES 621 CLRK DIST, FEE, 10328.95; LABSOURCE, SUPP, 740.35; LINCOLN CO SHERIFF OFC, FEE, 72.4; MADELUNG LAW, SVC, 8442; MEDIATION WEST, SVC, 420; MENARDS, B&G, 518.32; MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, RENT, 225; MIDWEST CONNECT, SUPP, 336;

MILE HI WATER TEC, SVC, 1290; MIPS, SVC, 3478.38; NE ASSOC OF COUNTY ASSESSORS, FEE, 75; NEBRASKA DEPT OF LABOR, UEMP, 5676; NE DISTRICT COURT CLERKS ASSOC, FEE, 50; NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB, SVC, 114.06; NEBRASKALAND TIRE, SVC, 167.53; NOSSAMAN PETITT LAW, SVC, 3606.35; OREILLY AUTO PARTS, SUPP, 137.17; PANHANDLE ASSOC OF CO ASSESSORS, FEE, 125; PANHANDLE COOP, FUEL, 286.37; PELL REPORTING, FEE, 491.25; W PETERS, SVC, 4340.95; PRINT EXPRESS, SUPP, 1034.5; K RANDALL, SVC, 100; RWMC, SVC, 8609.95; S RICHTER, RBMT, 7.2; ROBINSON ELECTRIC, SVC, 1109.24; S&L OUTDOORS, SVC, 705; SCB CO CLERK OF THE DIST CT FILING, FEE, 2389; SCB CO COURT, FEE, 5; SCB CO REGISTER OF DEEDS, FEE, 56; SCB CO ROAD & BRIDGE, FEE, 3094.35; SHERWIN WILLIAMS, SUPP, 223.47; D SIMPSON, TRVL, 385.14; C SINNER, SVC, 100; STAPLES, SUPP, 237.96; WESTERN NEBRASKA NEWSPAPERS, PUB, 39.83; STOPSTICK, SUPP, 2215; L TABOR, SVC, 5592.25; THOMSON REUTERS, SVC, 1782.43; TIMECLOCK PLUS, SVC, 84; UNIVERSITY OF NE, TRVL, 548.35; UNIVERSITY OF NE MEDICAL CENTER, SVC, 3000; US BANCORP, MISC, 4513.39; VALLEY AUTO LOCATORS, SVC, 156.2; VERIZON WIRELESS, SVC, 89.1; WNHRMA WESTERN NE HR MGMNT ASSOC, FEE, 60; WYOMING BEARING & SUPPLY, SUPP, 60.31; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 482527.32; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 37156.01; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 16681.77; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 103850; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 4105.44; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 2093.98; FNBO, CONT, 19498.99; PLATTE VALLEY NTL BK, CONT, 555; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 1463.94; COLONIAL LIFE, INS, 704.47; NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS, CONT, 100; FOP LODGE #41, DUES, 1438.3; YMCA, DUES, 280; LEGALSHIELD, INS, 89.7; EMPOWER ANNUITY INS CO OF AMERICA, CONT, 200; ELITE TOTAL FITNESS, DUES, 104; ACCELERATED RECEIVABLES SOLUTIONS, GARN, 670.4; A PETERSON, GARN, 634.57; **ROAD & BRIDGE:** BAKER & ASSOC, FEE, 29712; BENZEL PEST CONTROL, SVC, 154.2; BLACK HILLS ENERGY, SVC, 5580.16; CENTURYLINK, SVC, 152.58; CHIMNEY ROCK PUBLIC POWER, SVC, 55; COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC, PUB, 140.45; CITY OF GERING UTILITY DEPT, SVC, 981.6; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL, RPR, 281.26; MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS, SUPP, 10429.6; MC SCHAFF & ASSOC, SVC, 1200; MIDWEST ELECTRONICS, SUPP, 846; MUNICIPAL UTILITIES, SVC, 181.26; NPPD, SVC, 493.43; NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIP, SUPP, 278; QUICK CARE, SVC, 125; SCB CO TREASURER, TAX, 1; US BANCORP, MISC, 2728.31; VERIZON WIRELESS, SVC, 21.06; VISTABEAM, SVC, 131.8; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 132456.95; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 6964.03; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 3995.43; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 34900; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 1313.56; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 523.29; FNBO, CONT, 4379; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 481.78; COLONIAL LIFE, INS, 358.53; SUGAR VALLEY FCU, CONT, 441; WASHINGTON STATE SUPPORT REGISTRY, C/S, 201.75; **HIGHWAY/BRIDGE BUY-BACK FUND:** ERIC REICHERT INSULATION & CONSTRUC, SVC, 199566.1; **TOURISM:** LEGACY OF THE PLAINS MUSEUM, GRNT, 3800.34; B LEISY, TRVL, 477.25; MALY MARKETING DREAMSHARE PRO, PUB, 330; OMAHA PUBLICATIONS, PUB, 3525; SCB CO TREASURER, POST, 2.07; WESTERN NEBRASKA NEWSPAPERS, PUB, 12.92; US BANCORP, MISC, 1517.18; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 4957.79; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 525.67; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 216.52; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 1025; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 57.5; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 44.34; FNBO, CONT, 200; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 23.73; **COUNTY VISITORS IMPORVEMENT FUND:** LEGACY OF THE PLAINS MUSEUM, CP IMP, 50000; **PRESERVATION & MODERNIZATION:** BYTES, SUPP, 1618.44; MIPS, SUPP, 650.44; **SELF-INSURED MEDICAL FUND:** MADISON NATIONAL LIFE, INS, 4091.06; PLATTE VALLEY NTL BK, INS, 238547.11; REGIONAL CARE, INS, 72063.97; **GENERAL ASSISTANCE:** BRIDGMAN FUNERAL HOME, SVC, 1050; CANDLELIGHT INN & LOUNGE, ASST, 1104; DUGAN-KRAMER CHAPEL, SVC, 1050; ECONO LODGE, ASST, 158; PANHANDLE COOP, FUEL, 253.98; SCB CO PUBLIC TRANSIT, SVC, 149; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 1792.43; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 90.56; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 44.31; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 1000; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 57.5; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 4.86; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 19.31; **STATE INSTITUTIONS:** NEBRASKA HEALTH & HUMAN SVCS, SVC, 744; **VETERANS AID:** M MEYERS, TRNS, 2000; US BANCORP, MISC, 171.99; **HANDY BUS:** BENZEL PEST CONTROL, SVC, 65; BLACK HILLS ENERGY, SVC, 709.29; COUNTY GENERAL FUND, TRSFR, 2104.83; COZAD SIGNS, SVC, 175; EAKES, SUPP, 113.42; FAT BOYS TIRE & AUTO, SVC, 32; FRANK PARTS, RPR, 300.93; FRESH FOODS, SUPP, 8; CITY OF GERING UTILITY DEPT, SVC, 345.61; IDEAL BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS, SUPP, 21.4; MENARDS, SUPP, 97.01; PANHANDLE COOP, SUPP, 8187.92; RICH'S WRECKING & SALVAGE, RPR, 150; TWIN CITY AUTO, RPR, 2600.3; US BANCORP, MISC, 1375.07; WHITNEY FAMILY TRUST, REF, 40; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 59429.19; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 3198.93; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 1646.93; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 12850; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 360; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 142.99; FNBO, CONT, 1120; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 105.96; ELITE TOTAL FITNESS, DUES, 73; **WING-DRUGS FUND:** US BANCORP, WING, 31.8; **SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND:** AL'S TOWING, SVC, 260; D BROWN, SVC, 384; **JUVENILE AID FUND:** PANHANDLE PARTNERSHIP, SVC, 316.11; US BANCORP, MISC, 166.46; 3RD MILLENNIUM CLASSROOMS, EDU, 720; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 2048.39; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 140.95; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 42.89; **HIDTA FUNDS:** TEAM AUTO CENTER, VHCL, 375; **HOMELAND SECURITY FUND:** ICOR TECHNOLOGY, SUPP, 430; US BANCORP, MISC, 2856.93; **ARPA:** TRANE US, SVC, 10000; **INHERITANCE TAX:** ESTATE OF I DILKY, RFND, 61.98; **KENO:** DENNIS SUPPLY, SUPP, 8.05; PLOWBOYZ SNOW REMOVAL, SVC, 240; **HEALTH:** P SCHNELL, SVC, 1300; **E-911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND:** ACTION COMM, SVC, 62.5; **DETENTION CENTER:** AC ELECTRIC MOTOR, SUPP, 111; ACE HARDWARE, SUPP, 30.56; AIRGAS USA, SUPP, 100.68; DENNIS SUPPLY, SUPP, 877.34; EAKES, SUPP, 27.48; GALLS, SUPP, 534.82; CITY OF GERING UTILITY DEPT, SVC, 15637.57; GREATAMERICA FINANCIAL SRVCS CORP, SVC, 160; M HUTT, SVC, 450; IDEAL BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS, SUPP, 3715.08; JG ELLIOTT INS, BOND, 40; LOGOZ, SVC, 70; MBKEM ENTER, RPR, 214.5; MENARDS, SUPP, 324.59; RWMC, SVC, 35.3; S&L OUTDOORS, SVC, 435; SIMPLY CLEAN, SUPP, 1009.73; SNELL SVC, RPR, 505.49; SUMMIT FOOD SVC, SUPP, 32902.21; VERIZON WIRELESS, SVC, 42.88; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 333576.48; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 23872.47; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 12157.1; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 68550; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 2655.34; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 1068.3; FNBO, CONT, 8495; PLATTE VALLEY NTL BK, CONT, 91; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 913.73; SUGAR VALLEY FCU, CONT, 850; COLONIAL LIFE, INS, 677.44; COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA, DUES, 1340.8; YMCA, DUES, 624; WYOMING CHILD SUPPORT, C/S, 1216.04; CREDIT MANAGEMENT SVC, GARN, 1185.74; ACCELERATED RECEIVABLES SOLUTIONS, GARN, 829.64; BOX BUTTE CO COURT, GARN, 596.06; PANHANDLE COLLECTIONS, GARN, 520.72; **FLOOD:** SCB CO ROAD & BRIDGE, FEE, 1031.45; **NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL:** CITY OF GERING UTILITY DEPT, SVC, 31.6; SCB CO HWY DEPT, FUEL, 130.64; US BANCORP, MISC, 5.97; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 5532.97; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 412.33; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 194.81; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 1000; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 35; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 4.86; VISION SERVICE PLAN IC, INS, 19.31; **CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS:** ALARM SECURITY TECHNICIANS, SVC, 118.65; AT&T MOBILITY, SVC, 76.34; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 107491.92; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 7895.29; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 4039.25; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 19300; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 796.78; SCB CO

TREASURER, INS, 240.19; FNBO, CONT, 2769.17; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 222.37; COLONIAL LIFE, INS, 139.07;
FOP LODGE #41, DUES, 560.38; YMCA, DUES, 64.

SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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ATTEST:

Mike Blue

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