

8:15am OPEN PUBLIC HEARING-2024-2025 TAX REQUEST: Publication: Online Cass County webpage 8/1/24, Sarpy County Times 8/7/24. MEMBERS PRESENT: Sharp, DeGarmo, Winker and Murdoch. Absent: Boyle. Others present: Jennifer Crystal-Clark-Deputy County Attorney, Gerri Draper-County Clerk.

Notice: A copy of the 'Nebraska Open Meetings Act' is located on the north wall of the County Board Room

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENTATION: Outlining key provisions of the proposed budget statement, including, but not limited to, a comparison with the prior year's budget.

CASS COUNTY						
NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY						
NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of Section 13-501 to 13-512, R.R.S. 1943, that the governing body will meet on the 13th day of August 2024 at 8:15 o'clock AM at the Cass County Courthouse, 346 Main Street-Rm 101, Plattsmouth, NE 68048 for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget. The budget detail is available at the office of the Clerk during regular business hours.						

FUNDS	Actual Disbursements 2022-2023	Actual Disbursements 2023-2024	Proposed Disbursements 2024-2025	Necessary Cash Reserve	Total Available Resources Before Property Taxes	Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirement
General	18,206,874.95	21,717,131.17	32,516,264.39	6,000,000.00	20,913,729.55	17,602,534.84
Roads	8,760,324.63	9,279,939.66	10,961,513.05	182,650.47	11,144,163.52	-
Road Sinking	-	162,711.28	39,762.00	12,486.00	52,248.00	-
HiWay Buyback	670,757.64	708,978.79	1,376,000.00	515,899.94	1,891,899.94	
Juvenile Diversion	26,919.90	-	1,300.00	20,857.83	22,157.83	
Cell Tower Escrow	76,647.95	47,600.91	78,605.67	-	78,605.67	
Visitor Promotion	95,458.60	97,220.29	295,000.00	46,484.30	341,484.30	
Visitor Improvement	64,739.40	165,490.51	385,000.00	45,531.77	430,531.77	
Record Preservation	8,102.57	10,515.68	142,670.23	20,275.60	162,945.83	
Opioids	-		71,518.68	12,743.64	84,262.32	
Drug Law Enforcment	-		1,500.00	13,085.76	14,585.76	
FEMA	126,848.53	107,015.88	149,075.50	-	149,075.50	
Private Grants	4,000.00		6,184.46	-	6,184.46	
CERT & Emerg Teams	-		23,961.71	-	23,961.71	
ARPA	1,134,995.59	2,458,402.90	1,416,270.00	-	1,416,270.00	
MAPA	-	10,000.00	-	-	-	
Tribal	-		100,000.00	-	100,000.00	
Inheritance Tax	5,002,848.40	1,001,054.83	2,050,000.00	2,762,728.98	4,812,728.98	
KENO	54,003.25	16,577.00	175,000.00	98,830.20	273,830.20	
E-911	30,934.21	39,926.42	126,635.15	10,659.41	137,294.56	
E-911 Wireless	46,661.00	37,822.43	457,647.70	-	457,647.70	
TOTALS	34,310,116.62	35,860,387.75	50,373,908.54	9,742,233.90	42,513,607.60	17,602,534.84

Chairman DeGarmo stated at this point the budget is a working document, as the county works through the budget planning changes are expected. Public will be allowed 3 minutes to speak.

The Chair then opened the floor for public input, hearing from (1) audience member: Bill Swenson, asking definitions of the following: Swensen Necessary cash reserve- DeGarmo recommendation of state auditor to help bridge the gap of funds between the end of the year and budget being approved; Swensen Total available resources before property taxes- DeGarmo matching dollars federal/state grants; Swensen Total personal and real property tax requirement-DeGarmo property tax asking amount needed to levy to cover budget; Swensen Tribal-DeGarmo grant from federal government; Swensen E-911 Wireless-DeGarmo upgrades to E-911; Swensen Drug Law Enforcement-DeGarmo- grant.

Chair reiterated the floor was open for public comment, all members of the public wishing to address the governing body were provided a reasonable amount of time to do so, with no further comments being received the chair then asked for motion to close the public hearing.

8:20am CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: MOTION: Winkler moved, Sharp seconded. Motion carried 4-0, Boyle absent

CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS/EQUALIZATION MEETING MINUTES: August 13, 2024

Publication: Sarpy County Times 8/7; Members Present: Sharp, DeGarmo, Winkler, and Murdoch. Absent: Boyle. Others present: Jennifer Crystal-Clark- Deputy County Attorney, Gerri Draper- County Clerk

8:20am- Chairman called meeting to order; gave notice of Open Meetings Act & Pledge of Allegiance:

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

1. Discuss/Action- (Assessor) Appeal Personal Property Valuation filed by Dayne & Makenzie Wilson
Sasha Frye- Administrative Officer for the Assessor’s office appeared before the board stating their office has not received the required Personal Property Return for the tax year 2024 as of today’s date and outlined the appeal rights and procedures, stating the board of equalization has no authority to waive or reduce any penalty which was correctly imposed and calculated.
2. Discuss/action- (Assessor) Report of Cemetery Review, 2024. No action taken

8:0am CONVENE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CONSENT AGENDA: (1) Prior Meeting Minutes, (2) Claims, (3) Payroll/Time Balance Reports and (4) Fees Reported: CO Clerk- Misc. \$2,402; Zoning-Misc. \$29,296.15; Register of Deeds-Preservation \$1,664.00, State DOC Stamps \$34,162.73, General DOC Stamps &9,759.52, CO General \$10,763.00; Dist. Court Clerk- Misc. \$7,645.85; Sheriff-Misc. \$3,176.43, Mileage \$3,312.19

MOTION: Murdoch moved, Winkler seconded to approve consent agenda as prepared. Motion carried 4-0, Boyle absent

General: Accelerated Graphx \$215.00 (Sup) Amazon \$250.33 (Sup) American Heart Association \$140.00 (Sup) Ameritas Life Ins \$32,848.16 (Ins) Applied Concepts \$2,892.20 (Srv) AT&T Mobility \$655.20 (Srv) Village of Avoca \$63.00 (Srv) United States Treasury \$150.00 (Srv) Black Hills Energy \$41.71 (Srv) Bomgaars \$161.72 (Sup) Boundtree Medical \$1,708.63 (Sup) Jody Bousquet \$152.15 (Reim) Linda Brouhard \$60.00 (Reim) Bryan LGH Medical Center \$100.00 (Srv) Cass County Court \$4.00 (Srv) Cass County Historical Society \$3,333.33 (Srv) Cass County Public Defender \$2,537.49 (Srv) Cass County Refuse \$506.00 (Srv) Cass County Sheriff \$966.48 (Srv) Cass County Sheriff \$757.34 (Reim) Cass County Treasurer \$500,535.00 (Srv) Cedar Youth Services \$1,431.00 (Srv) Clerk of the District Court \$484.00 (Srv) Column Software \$972.54 (Srv) Comdata Corporation \$230.10 (Srv) Consolidated Management Company \$462.75 (Srv) Creighton Dental Clinic \$358.00 (Srv) CVSOAN \$160.00 (Srv) DAS Central Finance \$2,563.67 (Srv) Alexander DeGarmo \$1,249.95 (Reim) DirectTV \$96.84 (Srv) Douglas County Sheriff \$20.70 (Srv) Geri Draper \$60.00 (Reim) Deb Dubas \$14.74 (Reim) Eakes \$1,454.86 (Sup) Eaton Corporation \$22,204.78 (Srv) Eden Consulting & Training \$174.00 (Srv) Harold Ehmke \$15.00 (Reim) Electronic Engineering \$980.00 (Srv) Village of Elmwood \$61.60 (Srv) EMS Connect \$97.50 (Srv) Fankhauser, Nelsen, Wertz, Ziskey, & Merwin \$1,197.00 (Srv) Eugene Farris 9.00 (Reim) Fireguard \$3,049.53 (Srv) First State Bank \$34,191.90 (Ins) First State Insurance Agency \$70.00 (Srv) Taylor Fleischman \$60.00 (Reim) Travis Frye \$60.00 (Reim) Grainger \$147.87 (Sup) Village of Greenwood \$181.11 (Srv) Hayes Mechanical \$11,896.93 (Srv) Henry-Hobscheidt Service Center \$726.87 (Srv) HTBS Credit \$151.20 (Srv) Hometown Leasing \$1,944.89 (Srv) Hy-Vee \$25.45 (Sup) Impact Manufacturing \$138.10 (Srv) Independent Auto Repair \$647.13 (Srv) Mike Jensen \$60.00 (Srv) Johnson & Pekny \$66.50 (Srv) Jones Automotive \$2,031.57 (Srv) Jones Polygraph Service \$1,400.00 (Srv) Sarah Kunkel \$36.18 (Reim) Legal & Liability Risk Management \$325.00 (Srv) Gerald Liess \$890.00 (Srv) Village of Manley \$64.68 (Srv) Matheson Tri-Gas \$417.27 (Srv) Maximus \$2,600.00 (Srv) Brandon McClane \$60.00 (Reim) Brook McConnaughey \$60.00 (Reim) My Central Supply \$1,571.79 (Sup) Meeske Ace Hardware \$75.57 (Sup) Meeske Auto Parts \$213.14 (Sup) Menards \$213.14 (Sup) Metlife \$169.92 (Ins) Microfilm Imaging Systems \$1,900.00 (Srv) Mike Moore Law \$360.99 (Srv) Mips \$4,865.12 (Srv) NACO \$54.00 (Srv) Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center \$142.00 (Srv) Nebraska Medicine \$792.48 (Srv) NPPD \$16,900.60 (Srv) Nebraska.gov \$8.50 (Srv) Village of Nehawka \$163.04 (Srv) Nextoner \$932.40 (Sup) NSA Poan Conference \$400.00 (Srv) Todd O’Connor \$60.00 (Reim) Oestmann & Albertsen Law \$28.50 (Srv) Office Warehouse \$363.97 (Sup) Omaha Door and Window Company \$1,359.30 (Srv) OPPD \$1,449.05 (Srv) Omaha World Harold \$647.10 (Srv) Omega Chemical \$285.14 (Srv) H.S.A \$2,212.91 (Ins) O’Reilly Auto Parts \$29.99 (Sup) Oxen Technology \$8,886.50 (Srv) Papillion Sanitation \$558.13 (Srv) PIP Marketing Signs & Printing \$1,535.26 (Srv) City of Plattsmouth \$1,876.63 (Srv) Laura Pohlmeier \$60.00 (Reim) Polaris Law Group \$2,118.50 (Srv) Professional Heating & Air Conditioning \$3,305.00 (Srv) Quik Dump Refuse \$36.91 (Srv) Quill Corporation \$226.78 (Sup) Reckling Property Management \$420.00 (Srv) Otoe County Rural Water Dist. #3 \$36.00 (Srv) Rural Water Dist. #1 \$41.50 (Srv) Sarpy County Sheriff Dept \$11.96 (Srv) Sarpy County Times \$26.00 (Srv) Secretary of State \$20.00 (Srv) Staples Business Credit \$250.89 (Sup) William Sterrett \$60.00 (Reim) Cassie Story \$60.00 (Reim) Summit Food Service \$5,349.38 (Sup) Teleflex Funding \$109.50 (Srv) Thomson Reuters – West \$1,527.92 (Srv) Leonard Thorne \$60.00 (Reim) Mary Tilson \$513.98 (Srv) TMN Reporting \$292.10 (Srv) Transunion Risk & Alternative \$75.00 (Srv) United Healthcare \$74,828.68 (Ins) United Healthcare Dental \$2,274.06 (Ins) Unlimited Innovations Custom \$4,512.00 (Srv) US Bank \$562.13 (Srv) US Bank Voyager \$18,391.88 (Srv) Verizon \$1,043.25 (Srv) Verizon Wireless \$7,827.11 (Srv) Warren Wade \$19.00 (Reim) Westlake Ace Hardware \$349.99 (Sup) Jeb Wika \$60.00 (Reim) Windstream \$12,829.69 (Srv) Zelle \$5,575.04 (Srv) 1898 Company \$11,750.00 (Srv) 201 Main Street \$2,960.00 (Srv) CLAIMS: \$849,304.70 PAYROLL: \$403,429.18 TOTAL: \$1,252,733.88 ROADS: AKRS Equipment \$291.58 (Srv) MGX Equipment Services \$1,405.11 (Srv) CINTAS Corp \$141.93 (Srv) Frontier Cooperative \$21,350.38 (Sup) Galvin Glass \$380.51 (Srv) Haney Shoe Stores \$175.99 (Sup) Keckler Oil Company \$23.15 (Srv) Martin Marietta \$26,192.20 (Sup) Matheson Tri-Gas \$403.74 (Srv) Meeske Ace Hardware \$53.91 (Sup) Meeske Auto Parts \$810.23 (Sup) Menards \$196.00 (Sup) Mill Creek Auto Parts \$186.63 (Sup) Mips \$146.45 (Srv) NMC \$442.00 (Srv) Nancy Phillips \$300.00 (Srv) Pomp’s Tire Service \$7,649.24 (Srv) RDO Truck Center \$1,853.67 (Srv) Union Pacific Railroad Company \$3,844.26 (Srv) US Bank Voyager \$1,044.22 (Srv) Western Sand & Gravel \$159.54 (Sup) Whetrock \$99,310.49 (Sup) CLAIMS: \$166,361.23 PAYROLL: \$64,965.68 TOTAL: \$231,326.91 VISITOR PROMOTION: Carl Reichart \$394.28 (Reim) CLAIMS: \$394.28 PAYROLL: \$1,183.50 TOTAL: \$1,577.78 RECORD PRESERVATION: Mips \$278.64 (Srv) TOTAL: \$278.64 KENO/LOTTERY: Southeast Nebraska Community Action \$7,270.98 (Srv) TOTAL: \$7,270.98 OVERALL GRAND TOTAL: \$1,493,188.19

1. Regular Agenda:

MOTION: Winkler moved, Sharp seconded to approve agenda as prepared. Motion carried 4-0, Boyle absent

2. Past Meetings Attended by Commissioners:

- Sharp: None
- Boyle: Absent
- DeGarmo: NACO regarding Special Session
- Winkler: NPPD meeting in Plattsmouth
- Murdoch: NPPD meeting in Plattsmouth

3. Public Hearing/Action (8:15am): none scheduled

4. Litigation & Legal Matters-Christopher Perrone, County Attorney: none scheduled

5. Road Matters-Lenny Thorne, Highway Superintendent:

5A. Discuss/Action- Request for Cass County to place no engine braking signs on Highway 66 near 334th Street
Thorne gave outline of process which could be lengthy. Property owner spoke regarding her request. Thorne will prepare resolution for board approval.

5B. Discuss/Action- RES 2024-11 County Annual Certification of Program Compliance, authorize chair to sign
MOTION: Sharp moved, Winkler seconded to authorize chair to sign certification adopting resolution as prepared. Motion carried 4-0, Boyle absent

Chair asked Thorne to contact the NDOT regarding installation of warning devices at the intersection of HWY 63 and HWY 34.

6. New Business & Unfinished Business:

6A. Discuss/Action- Chad Korte-EMA Director, EMS update. Update given no action taken

6B. Discuss/Action- Draft Interlocal Agreement- Platte River Obstruction Removal Project
MOTION: Sharp moved, Murdoch seconded to authorize chair to sign Interlocal agreement as presented. Motion carried 3-0, Boyle absent, Winkler abstained

6C. Discuss/Action- RES 2024-10 Allocate Preliminary Levy Authority for RFD's, Cemetery District and AG Society
MOTION: DeGarmo moved, Murdoch seconded to adopt resolution as presented. Motion carried 4-0, Boyle Absent

6D. Discuss/Action- Continuous Agenda Item(s) Budgetary items. DeGarmo noted finance committee will continue to work on budget

Other Business Matters/Public Input & Comments:

Non- Action item: Cindy Fenton-Treasurer, Notification of Pledged collateral reduction per state statute 77-2392

Sheriff Sorenson, gave update on cruisers and LEC building along with school resource officer agreement with Louisville schools.

8:50am ADJOURN: MOTION: Murdoch moved, Winkler seconded. Motion carried 4-0, Boyle absent

I, Gerri Draper, the undersigned Clerk of Cass County, Nebraska do hereby certify the above minutes were taken by me, and are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and are part of the official records of this office. I therefore set my hand and affix the County Seal this 13th day of August, 2024.

State of Nebraska)
County of Cass) ^{ss.}

Gerri Draper,
Cass County Clerk

We, the undersigned Board of Commissioners of Cass County, Nebraska do hereby certify the above minutes are true and correct to the best of our knowledge, and are part of the official records of the Cass County Clerk's Office. We therefore set our hands this 13th day of August, 2024.

Dale Sharp-District 1 Commissioner
Taylor Boyle-District 2 Commissioner
Alexander DeGarmo-District 3 Commissioner

John Winkler-District 4 Commissioner
Duane Murdoch-District 5 Commissioner