

June 3, 2025

The Otoe County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session at 8:30 a.m. on June 3, 2025, to audit and sign regular claims and payroll claims and to take care of such other matters as are on the agenda for this meeting. Advance notice of this meeting was published in the Nebraska City News Press and posted in at least three public places, including the County's website. This meeting was open to the Public, and the agenda was kept current, and is on file for public inspection at the office of the Otoe County Clerk during regular business hours.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Jerad Sornson. Answering present at roll call were Commissioner Sornson, Commissioner Freshman, Commissioner Parsons, Commissioner Crownover, and Commissioner Cole.

Commissioner Sornson informed the public in attendance that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted near the door of the meeting room. Additional copies are available upon request.

Freshman made a motion, seconded by Cole, to accept the agenda as posted. Voting aye were Sornson, Freshman, Parsons, Crownover, and Cole. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Crownover made a motion, seconded by Parsons, to accept the minutes from the previous meeting and not have them read as each member was furnished with a copy of same. Voting aye were Commissioners Freshman, Parsons, Crownover, Cole, and Sornson. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Having reviewed the regular claims in advance of this meeting, Freshman made a motion, seconded by Cole, to approve payment of the regular claims. Voting aye were Parsons, Crownover, Cole, Sornson, and Freshman. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Claims Approved June 3, 2025

AMAZON	sup	\$118.80
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AMERICAN RECYCLING & SANITATION INC	srv	\$447.61
BARON WEATHER INC BARON SERVICES	srv	\$1,296.00
HOWARD BEBOUT	srv,mileage	\$33.80
PAM BENNETT	srv	\$100.00
COLIN CAUDILL	reim	\$36.09
CENTRAL PLAINS VALUATION, LLC	srv	\$4,800.00
CITIZEN PRINTING CO	srv	\$600.00
CROWNE PLAZA/YOUNES	srv	\$797.70
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	srv	\$844.80
DOUG DELHAY	srv,mileage	\$35.20
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	sup	\$3,250.08
FIRST WIRELESS INC	srv	\$1,309.50
GREGG GOEBEL	reim	\$319.49
JERE GRAVATT	srv	\$100.00
GUDE MORTUARY	srv	\$600.00
DYLAN L. HANDLEY	srv	\$500.00
AMBER HASKINS	srv	\$75.00
DANIEL HODGES	srv,mileage	\$47.80
HOLIDAY INN KEARNEY/YOUNES SOUTH	srv	\$144.95
LENGEMANN & ASSOCIATES PC	srv	\$31,350.00
LSP ENTERPRISES	srv	\$100.00
MATTHEW BENDER & CO INC	sup	\$142.43

MEAD LUMBER DO-IT-BEST INC	sup	\$494.87
MARY MELLAGE	srv	\$100.00
MULTICOUNTY INFORMATION PROGRAMMING	srv	\$2,277.27
MARK MOORE	srv	\$1,513.66
N C UTILITIES	srv	\$321.53
NACEB	dues	\$100.00
NACO	reg	\$200.00
NE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	srv	\$141.00
NE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER	srv	\$250.00
NEBR COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOC	reg	\$1,650.00
NEMAHA COUNTY SHERIFF	srv	\$18.50
CHAD NEUBAUER	srv,mileage	\$21.20
PRENTICE PEST MANAGEMENT	srv	\$90.00
THOMAS PRICKETT DBA REINSCH	srv	\$912.00
REGION V SYSTEMS	srv	\$3,852.00
JANIS A RIEGE, CLERK OF D.C.	srv	\$36.00
DONALD L SCHENSE	srv	\$3,400.00
SHELL (WEX BANK)	srv	\$36.74
STEPHANIE SHRADER	srv,mileage	\$35.20
SYRACUSE JOURNAL DEMOCRAT	sub	\$71.50
UKG INC	srv	\$1,409.32
VOLITANT TECHNOLOGIES LLC	sup	\$803.00
BILL WALTERS & SON SHOP, INC	srv	\$235.12
RICHARD WARNER	srv,mileage	\$48.50
CHERI WIRTHELE	srv,mileage	\$42.20
ACE IRRIGATION DBA ACE/EATON METALS	sup	\$26,331.84
ALLIED OIL & TIRE COMPANY	srv	\$656.43
ATRONIC ALARMS INC	srv	\$245.70
BAXTER TOYOTA OF LINCOLN	sup	\$38,589.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	srv	\$54.46
BROWN GLASS CO INC	srv	\$150.00
DOUGLAS TIRE INC	srv	\$39.75
FRONTIER COOPERATIVE	sup	\$240.00
HELENA AGRI-ENTERPRISES LLC	sup	\$930.00
J & A TRAFFIC PRODUCTS	sup	\$11,640.00
JENKINS IRON & STEEL INC	sup	\$4,300.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	sup	\$573.00
K B SALES LLC	sup	\$4,200.00
KANEQUIP,INC	srv	\$5,594.68
KEIM FARM EQUIPMENT CO	srv	\$538.35
NICKOLA KREIFELS,OTOE CO TREASURER	cap outlay	\$602,826.25
MENARDS-LINCOLN STORE SOUTH	sup	\$193.12
MURPHY TRACTOR AND EQUIPMENT CO.INC	srv	\$2,224.30
N C UTILITIES	srv	\$132.44
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES	srv	\$438.00
RDO TRUCK CENTERS LLC	srv	\$1,081.13
SCHLEGEL AUTOMOTIVE INC	srv	\$131.20
SIOUXLAND TRAILER SALES	sup	\$242.01
TIFCO INDUSTRIES	sup	\$237.62
VILLAGE OF OTOE	srv	\$22.50

JAMES B WESSELS DBA	srv	\$11,261.22
HERBST CONSTRUCTION, INC.	srv	\$44,000.20
CENTURY LINK	srv	\$3,601.40
FIREGUARD INC	srv	\$3,307.20
KNOOK & KRANNY CLEANING SERVICES	srv	\$525.00
MADSEN ELECTRIC LLC	srv	\$145.42
Regular Claims Total \$829,861.07		
Payroll Claims Total \$329,169.37		
Grand Total \$1,159,030.44		

Parsons made a motion, seconded by Freshman, to audit and sign payroll claims. Voting aye were Crownover, Cole, Sornson, Freshman, and Parsons. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Sornson acknowledged receipt of the monthly report from the Clerk of the District Court certifying fee collections in the amount of \$90,718.21 for the month of May 2025. Said report will be filed in the County Clerk's Office.

A partner working with Vertical Bridge had sent a letter to Otoe County stating that the county had property that had been identified as a potential property for the construction of a new telecommunication tower in the area. The letter was asking for interested property owners to contact the representative. Following brief discussion, there was no interest in allowing the county property to be considered for the project and Jenniffer Panko-Rahe, Otoe County Attorney, will communicate with the representative.

Ben Jewell, UNL Associate Extension Educator, and Karly Black, UNL Engagement Zone Coordinator, were present at today's meeting. Karly spoke to the board about the recent hiring of Tracy Ensor, 4-H Educator, and Kristin Herrick, 4-H Assistant at the Otoe County Extension office. Both presented discussion and ideas of the FY24-25 and FY25-26 budgets.

The board recognized the retirement of Dan Mauk, NCAEDC Executive Director, and thanked him for his service to the community. Mr. Mauk introduced Lisa Walker as the new Executive Director.

Brian Briley, Road Lead Supervisor, presented the road report.

There was no public comment.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, and since all items on the agenda have been disposed of Chairman Sornson declared this meeting adjourned at 9:03 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held on June 16, 2025.

I, Jennifer Bassinger, County Clerk of Otoe County, do hereby certify that the above minutes were taken by me, and are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and I therefore set my hand and affix the county seal this 3rd day of June 2025.

Jennifer Bassinger
Otoe County Clerk