

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 2:30 pm.

Chairman Wakefield opened the meeting and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Wakefield took roll call and present were Commissioners Averill, Tranby, Zorn-present by phone, Edland, and Wakefield. Also present was Road Superintendent/911 Coordinator Oien, Extension Agent Stachler, DES Dewald, IT Palm.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor for any changes to the agenda. Motion by Tranby to accept the agenda as presented, second by Edland and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to accept the June 8th meeting minutes. Motion by Tranby to approve the June 8th meeting minutes as presented and dispense with the reading, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss bills. Motion by Edland to approve the bills as presented, second by Tranby and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Averill-aye, Tranby-aye, Edland-aye, Zorn-aye, Wakefield-aye and carried.

12102-12122	Payroll	38,181.84
30211	Branes Co Correctional	2589.66
30212	Central Business Systems	773.74
30213	Cooper Implement	34.51
30214	Electro Watchmen	395.40
30215	Tom Gilbertson & Sons	2350.00
30216	Griggs County	68.35
30217	Griggs County	66.03
30218	Hansons Electric	230.92
30219	Heartland Consulting	19400.00
30220	Information Technology Dept	657.50
30221	Innovatitve Office Solutions	54.74
30222	Insure Forward	31265.00
30223	Andrew Marquart	288.00
30224	Otter Tail Power	59.46
30225	Deborah Pfeifer	586.80
30226	Residence Inn	259.20
30227	Underground Vaults	200.00
30228	Tim Varberg	125.00
29642	RDO Equipment	385.26
29643	Reitens Inc	123.75
29648	Uniforms Center	83.99

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to DES Dewald to discuss Grant Funds. There was discussion on the information and the projects that Griggs County will use the funds for. Motion by Edland to accept the grant funds and purchase the equipment, second by Tranby and called for discussion. There was discussion on where the funds will come from in the time being until we get reimbursed. Chairman Wakefield called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Averill-nay, Tranby-nay, Zorn-nay, Edland-nay, Wakefield-nay, and died. Motion by Edland to transfer \$28,998.89 from the Reserve to the DES, accept the grant funds, and purchase the equipment, second by Tranby and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Averill-aye, Tranby-aye, Zorn-aye, Edland-aye, Wakefield-aye, and carried. There was continued discussion. There was also discussion

on the current Nursing home moving to the new nursing home.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the 2024 Budget. There was discussion on the budget as presented.

Motion by Tranby to take a 5 minute recess, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

Chairman Wakefield reconvened the meeting and opened the floor to continue discussion on the 2024 Budget.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Sheriff protection vest. The issue will be tabled until the next meeting.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the County Website. The issue will be discussed at the next meeting.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss the Old Courthouse/New Courthouse. There was discussion on the Old Courthouse.

Chairman Wakefield opened the floor to discuss future business. The Commission will discuss 2024 budget, Sheriff Protection Vest, and County Website at the next meeting.

Motion by Tranby to adjourn meeting at 4:44 pm and meet again in regular session on July 6th at 2:30 pm, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays and carried.

Chairman Wakefield reopened the County Tax Equalization meeting. There was discussion on the information that was presented. Motion by Zorn to write a letter to the State Tax Department to hold off on the Griggs County Sales Ratio Study until the Commission is able to review the information further, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with roll call vote: Averill-aye, Tranby-aye, Zorn-aye, Edland-nay, Wakefield-aye, and carried. Motion by Tranby to recess the Tax Equalization meeting, second by Averill and called three times for discussion with all ayes, no nays, and carried.

These are not approved minutes.

ATTEST: Samantha Larson
Auditor

John Wakefield
Chairman