May 13th, 2025 Antelope County Board of Commissioners Neligh, Nebraska

The Antelope County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session on Tuesday, May 13th, 2025, at 8:03 AM in the County Commissioner's Meeting Room, Antelope County Courthouse Annex, Neligh, Nebraska. The meeting was called to order by Board Vice-Chairman, Neil Williby. with the following board members in attendance: Jacob, Dittrich and Williby. Commissioner Krebs was absent. Commissioner Henery was enroute. The Vice-Chairman stated that the open meeting laws are posted on the east wall of the Commissioner's Meeting Room with more copies available at the County Clerk's Office.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the three (3) county newspapers, legal newspapers printed and in general circulation in Antelope County, Nebraska as shown by proof of publication filed in the County Clerk's office. The agenda for said meeting was sent to all members of the County Board of Commissioners.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Agenda: Motion by Commissioner Jacob, seconded by Commissioner Dittrich to approve the agenda as presented. Voting aye: Jacob, Dittrich and Williby. Henery was absent. Krebs was absent. Nays none. Motion carried.

8:15 AM Commissioner Henery attends meeting.

Minutes of May 6th, 2025, Board of Commissioner Meeting: As there are only four members present today, and two (2) of them were absent from the meeting, the vote was tabled until next meeting (June 3rd, 2025). No further action.

Review of Payroll Claims.

Review of Vendor Claims.

Payroll Claims: Motion by Commissioner Jacob seconded by Commissioner Williby to approve **payroll claims** as presented. Voting aye: Jacob, Dittrich, Williby, and Henery. Nays none. Commissioner Krebs was absent. Motion carried.

Vendor Claims: Motion by Commissioner Dittrich, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to **approve and pay vendor claims**. Voting aye: Jacob, Dittrich, Williby and Henery. Nays none. Commissioner Krebs was absent. Motion carried.

General: General: AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES first aid kit, acrylic paint, glue gun and sticks, HDMI cable, extension cord, caster wheels, telephone cord, colored pencils, computer stand, ceiling fan chain, paint brushes 272.04; AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORPORATION retirement 21,670.69; ANTELOPE COUNTY COURT county court expense 214.00; ANTELOPE COUNTY SHERIFF paper service fees 583.91; APPEARA towel service 34.22; APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLGIES monthly fees, licensing, managed IT services, firewalls, PC replacement install, battery backup finger printing machine, south booking PC replacement 7,414.55; BLACK HILLS ENERGY heating fuel 1,176.48; BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF NEBRASKA major medical insurance 72,556.49; BOMGAARS disposer stopper, snap bolt, wire rope clips, battery, bulk bolts 21.15; BROGAN & GRAY interest of minor person 498.75; CARNEY LAW public defender contract 11,427.00; CASEYS gasoline and fuel 202.96; CITY OF NELIGH electricity, water, sewer, garbage 2,129.93; CITY OF NELIGH-RECYCLING recycling contract 1,000.00; CIVIL PROCESS COLLECTION Sarpy County collection fees 30.55; CLEARFLY COMMUNICATION telephone and internet 159.00; CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT district court expense 36.00; COLDTYPE PUBLISHING help wanted, personal property tax due, taxes due, proceedings, notice of BOE meeting, notice of monthly meetings 366.82; JUDITH COLE prior service 10.00; COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INSURANCE employee supplemental insurance 100.88; CORNER SERVICE & TIRE oil filter, oil, oil chang 128.80; BRYAN CORNETT backup cameras trucks 84.38; CUBBYS gasoline and fuel 802.32; DAS STATE ACCOUNTING data processing fees – state system 1,653.10; DOLLAR GENERAL cake baking pan, zip lock bags 11.00; DUSTYS gasoline and fuel 456.91; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS fax machine toner, custom binder, freight, toner, copier contract 1,023.67; ELGIN REVIEW help wanted, personal property tax due, taxes due, proceedings, notice of BOE meeting, notice of monthly meetings 331.40; ELITE COURT REPORTING SERVICES transcription of hearing 21 March 2025- 1,137.10; ELITE OFFICE PRODUCTS printing contracts 297.89; FARM & HOME PUBLISHERS LTD 2025 plat books 405.00; FEDERAL WITHHOLDING payroll tax 12,996.04; FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS insurance buydown 8,022.51; FLOOR MAINTENANCE cleaning supplies 657.85; GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS telephone and internet 309.32; DARRELL HAMILTON prior service 11.00; HEARTLAND FIRE PROTECTION annual fire extinguisher inspections and fills 627.58; JACKS UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT large sheriff ID patch 11.00; JONNY DODGE lube oil and filter change, 16 point inspection, rotate tires, tire inspection 131.13; KOINZAN ENTERPRISE sprinkler system repairs 814.15; LA QUINTA INN & SUITES stay at sheriff school 660.00; LAWNS R US fertilization and aeration 1,221.00; LIBERTY NATIONAL INSURANCE employee supplemental insurance 87.19; MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF paper service 116.23; MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE life and long term disability insurance 129.99; MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS scanning equipment rental122.00; DUANE MILLER prior service 12.00; MIPS treasurer package, Nebraska taxes online, payroll, time and attendance, claims, budget, assessor administrative package, CAMA package, Marshall and Swift cost tables 3,117.82; NACO clerks attendance at budget workshop 50.00; NATIONAL INSURANCE SERVICES payroll deductions 58.50; NEBRASKA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS district meeting attendance (oltjenbruns, nelson, moore, mortensen 135.00; NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE payroll tax 6,145.11; NEBRASKA FIRE SPRINKLER CORPORATION repair leak on dry system 3,616.00; NEBRASKA HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES institution bills 84.00; NEBRASKA PLANNING & ZONING ASSOCIATION planning and zoning conference 235.00; VSP - NACO VISION employee vision insurance 526.98; NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT electricity 60.70; NORTHEAST NEBRASKA COUNTY ASSESSORS ASSOCIATION 2025 dues 25.00; NORTHEAST NEBRASKA ECONOMIC DEVLOPMENT DISTRICT quarterly payment 925.00; NORTHEAST NEBRASKA AREA AGENCY ON AGING annual contribution 5,264.00; O'NEILL PEST CONTROL spraying for bugs 160.00; O'NEILL SHOPPER help wanted ads 271.89; OLD MILL SALES AND SERVICE pickup 28,500.00; PAGE MY CELL LLC dispatch to text one year service 3,000.00; PAMELA SLAYMAKER mileage, stay for presentation at the national health outreach conference 745.50; LISA PAYNE coffee carafe, dispensers, Bunn 10 cup coffee carafe 103.97; PINNACLE BANK black boots tactical 104.99; PITZER DIGITAL help wanted, personal property tax due, taxes due, proceedings, notice of BOE meeting, notice of monthly meetings 528.77; QUILL alkaline battery, durable tabs 42.97; REGION 4 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEM membership dues 6,044.00; JANICE RIDDER prior service 10.00; BILL KACZOR x-celerate 20-gallons 1,044.40; SANNE REPAIR front brake pads, shop supplies, rear brake pads, labor 1,059.38; SCHINDLER ELEVATOR COMPANY contract elevator inspection 1,519.56; SCHROEDER LAND SURVEYING find and set section and quarter section corners 435.00; CAROLINE SIEMS prior service 25.00; WEX BANK gasoline and fuel 845.92; SOCIAL SECURITY payroll taxes 28,690.80; STEALTH BROADBAND telephone and internet 1,137.68; STRATTON DELAY DOELE CARLSON & BUETNER public defender 1,438.72; CHUCK THIEMANN mowing at weed district 40.00; SMARTSAFETY SOFTWARE easy street draw subscriptions 378.00; TYLER TECHNOLOGIES Vetra-spec 449.00; UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN wireless network 55.02; UNL PRINT & COPY SERVICES extension envelopes 271.26; US CELLULAR sheriff cellular phone and plan 644.63; VFW flag-American 48.96; WARREN GARAGE DOOR annual fire door drop test 270.00; WASHINGTON NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY employee supplemental insurance 285.92; MEGAN WINGATE fuel and gasoline 55.80; UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA LINCOLN special agronomy project registration PIERCE COUNTY SHERIFF paper service suni moone 99.78; DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF paper service-suni moone 8.75; PITNEY BOWES postage 5,000.00; ANTELOPE COUNTY TREASURER transfer to Road and Bridge 1,000,000.00; PAYROLL 145,477.42;

Road/Bridge: AG & INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT oil regulator, gauge vacuum/air, petcock drain, hex nipple brass, check valve, bushing, hoses and fittings, service trip, road labor, A-pump assembly 1,671.21; AKRS hydraulic filter, hygard, electric connector terminal, electrical connector assembly, oil filters, air filters, hydraulic filters, filter element, cap screw, special service tool, cool-gard, washer, tie rod end, freight 2,348.78; AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORPORATION retirement 14,264.72; APPEARA shop towels 100.90; FIRSTNET cellular phone plan 140.20; ATCO INTERNATIONAL white remarkable, safety glasses 304.25; B'S ENTERPRISES bridge out 48"x 30", square sign posts, 6" B number white 8,089.50; BANK OF ELGIN payoff paving machine 440,308.74; BAUER WELDING labor, repairs on Mack truck, repair hoists, change fuel tank, frame bolts 4,947.85; BELL BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCIAL semi payment 27,424.10; BLACK HILLS ENERGY heating fuel 892.31; BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF NEBRASKA major medical insurance 46,939.46; BOMGAARS never kink hose, bait station, loaded ball mount, respirator, face shield ratchet, replacement headgear, disconnect, spring water, bulk bolts, H.K. brake cleaner, silicon sealant, SMV emblem, tool box, extension cord, spray paint, plug, ratchet strap, sledge hammer, spray paint, flex tube, cable ties, threaded rod, spray paint, threaded rod, tightener, gasket rope, hex socket, hose end, coupling, clear cover lens, fasteners, valved respirator, rubber mat, spring water, x-tra detergent, wire tie, reciprocal blade, galvanized wire, slip joint pliers, long nose pliers, wrench, solvent, windshield, shop towels, windshield wash, ink-zall markers, bathroom tissue, seat cover, stud mount mirror, shop towel, thunderbolt drill bit, chop-saw wheel, jack, impact socket, adapter, stud mount mirror, shop towel, paint marker white, paint stick, oil filter pliers, epoxy putty stick, toilet bowl cleaner, lever barrel pump, cone nozzle, repair kit, elbow hose, straight barb hose, Teflon tape, female coupler, coupling reducer,

414.87; CINTAS 2"x2" large patches 4.52; CITY OF ELGIN water, sewer, garbage 202.31; CITY OF TILDEN water, sewer, garbage 70.71; COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT employee supplemental insurance 18.00; COLONIAL RESEARCH 1 gallon nutshell, gritty soap hand pump, 6-gallon pail of blizzard, CRC-308 air-matic citrus 444.30; CONSTELLATION heating fuel 859.33; CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES garnishment 547.04; CUBBYS gasoline and fuel 541.41; DUSTYS gasoline and fuel 129.40; ELGIN ONE STOP reflect numbers 44.89; ELKHORN RURAL PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT electricity 539.07; EMME SAND & GRAVEL INC extra course gravel, road gravel, pack dirt, mud rock, 61,505.71; FARMERS PRIDE bulk diesel fuel 28,510.63; FEDERAL WITHHOLDING payroll taxes 9,838.70; FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP buy down, FSA accounts 5,691.35; FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS telephone and internet 637.32; GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS telephone and internet 312.83; GRUBB GRINDING repair both bent moldboards on until 3116 - 2,775.00; DALE STELLING mega 3000 hose, crimp mail nptf, pioneer female coupler, pioneer ½' npt mail tip 403.14; ISLAND SUPPLY oxygen, Stargon, acetylene 220.80; JEBRO freight, CRS-2-25,846.45 (This check was voided as there were two vendors paid, separated and will process for next month – JE completed); JOHN DEERE john deere grader payment 62,665.20; DUANE JONES chapin pro series seal kit for sprayer, chapin international seals and gasket repair kit 40.45; JONNY DODGE clearance lights, front driver brake replacement, left hood hinge, right tail light and turn signal repair, DOT inspection, tightened front stabilizer nut, side steer axle shock replaced, replaced shocks, fuel pump, oil change, 16-point inspection, replaced-repaired tail lights 3,368.33; K&S DOOR DBA OVERHEAD DOOR INC moved back hangs, center hang, head plate drum, oiled, straightened top fixture 119.50; KAYTON INTERNATIONAL seal, bobcat grapple 5,147.32; LAWSON PRODUCTS INC male NPT z-series fitting, fiber disc, hex nut grade, steel flat washer, hex cap screw grade, male NPT series fitting, VISA seal clear butt connector, brk brass male connector, brk brass 90 male element, cut-off wheel, tillman tig welding gloves, jobber drill bit set, fiber disc back-up pad, burr and shank, punch set, chisel set, 2,075.87; LAZY T TIRE AND IMPLEMENT Hercules tires, shop fees, tire disposal fees 734.90; LIBERTY NATIONAL INSURANCE employee supplemental insurance 154.27; LICHTENBERG TIRE SERVICE 4-BF Goodrich route tires, tire mount and dismount, Nebraska tire fee, tire disposal fee, miscellaneous shop supplies, flat repair, plug patch, miscellaneous shop supplies, galaxy super M&S G2, tire disposal fee, used tires, disposal fee, miscellaneous shop supplies 3,108.58; MADISON NATIONAL LIFE premium life and long term disability insurance 58.76; MARX REPAIR oil filter, element, filter 293.85; MATTEO SAND & GRAVEL CO INC road gravel, armor coat 18,043.20; MIDWEST COATINGS COMPANY INC hot mix 232,933.38; MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO bonaxel nut & washer, dust cap, wheel bearing for drags, outer race Bonnell wheel bearing, inner bearing, seal, pivot spindle, freeze plug, Bonnell oil, bearing 1,095.30; MR S'S gasoline and fuel 1,795.76; MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT CO INC lamp, freight, and shipping 253.22; NATIONAL INSURANCE SERVICE life and long term disability insurance premium 56.75; NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE tax 4,398.84; NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT electricity 255.94; VSP - NACO VISION employee vision insurance 343.91; NMC EXCHANGE pulley, vee belt set, alternator, alternator A-core charge, plug, strip wear, PM 3 - 3,317.95; NORTH CENTRAL PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT electricity 207.12; NORTHEAST GLASS tinted safety glass, CAT motor grader, john deere glass part 970.00; NORTHEAST NEBRASKA TELEPHONE COMPANY telephone and internet 76.82; ORCHARD LUMBER grain leather driver gloves 10.99; QUALITY IRON & METAL shop supplies, 11 galvanized metal for hotbox, bushing stake, flat per foot, ½" x 3½" flat, ½" x 4" flat, 3" x 3" x ½' square tube, 3½" x 3½" x 3/16" square tube, cold rolled round 1 ½", bushing stakes, 1" cold rolled round, 4' x 8' 20 gauge for hot box, 5/8" cold rolled round, 1 1/8" x 1/4" bushing stake, oxygen, 1/4" x 10" flat shouldering machine, 10" x 12 gauge round tube, rectangular tube 4" x 2" x ½", c25-s 52" each district 6, acetylene, 5/8" cold rolled round, 3/16" x 2" strip, 1 1/8" x ½" bushing stake, twin torch hose, cutting tip, 3/8" x 2" flat, 4" x 5.4" channel, 3" x 2" x 3/16" angle, c25-t(61") size T, ½" x 4 ½" flat, .035 welder, miller liner, miller slip nozzle, oxygen, flash arrestors, welding helmet clear lens, pipe size, ½" x 7" flat 919.21; QUICK SERVE OIL CO interstate 48 MTX 430.94; RAZOR TRACKING - tracking devices on equipment 975.00; RDO TRUCK CENTERS LLC change oil, oil filter, fuel filter, lube chassis, check fluids, top off windshield washing fluid, perform inspection per list, trailer service, grease landing, gear and all other zerks, check lube levels and adjust brakes, inspect lights and tires, replace air filter, steer tires wearing on the insides, labor, parts 4,836.03; ROSE EQUIPMENT hose, push on, 250 blue 76.90; ROYAL ONE STOP gasoline and fuel 460.75; RYAN'S TRUCK & TRACTOR REPAIR unit 0210 repair cracks on front motor mount crossmember 2,015.63; SAPP BROTHER PETROLEUM bulk diesel 8,208.35; WEX BANK fuel and gasoline 992.88; SOCIAL SECURITY payroll taxes 20,023.22; SPENCER QUARRIES 1" rock 477.70; SPUD CONSTRUCTION road gravel, spud mix 79,167.19; STEALTH BROADBAND internet and telephone 95.60; TRUCK CENTER check engine light, coolant level sensor was inoperable, powertrain failure, replaced relay in powertrain, PM2 service and inspection, changed cabin air filters, greased unit 6,492.12; VILLAGE OF BRUNSWICK water, sewer, garbage 109.00; VILLAGE OF CLEARWATER water, sewer, garbage 75.50; VILLAGE OF ORCHARD water, sewer, garbage 165.60; WASHINGTON NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY employee supplemental insurance 277.90; WESTERN OIL II gasoline and fuel 199.22; PAYROLL 100,244.35;

County Visitor Promotion: AMERICAN LEGION POST 172 Fred G. Benning memorial sign for legion 350.00; NELIGH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE annual chamber BBQ – fair weekend 350.00; NELIGH POLICE FOUNDATION One step at a time – community involvement exercise 350.00; YOUNG-N-LIVELY Treasures in the Park 227.27; County Visitors Improvement: ROYAL ROPING CLUB new panels and posts on east and south side of the roping arena 1,750.00; Register of Deeds: MIPS microfilm and preservation, Nebraska Deeds Online 349.80;

Veterans Aid: ANTELOPE COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE aid for veterans 1,500.00;

Law Enforcement Center: BLACK HILLS ENERGY heating fuel 408.04; BULLER FIXTURE CO convection oven, single deck, standard depth, solid state controls, electronic spark igniter 5,550.00; CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING soft serve vanilla ice cream, baker potatoes, pollock, Lawry's seasoning salt, ziplock bags, bottom round beef, chicken leg quarters, can liners, ham, pork tenderloin, biscuit dough, mayo, boneless ham, dry cabbage mix, sliced cheese, apple juice, vegetable blend, fruit punch juice, franks, pork sausage 1,758.19; CITY OF NELIGH water, sewer, electricity, garbage 2,090.34; CULLIGAN drinking water and cooler 158.00; DEANS MARKET hamburger, 468.18; FAITH REGIONAL HEALTH SERVICES inmate medical expenses 540.00; HILAND DAIRY milk 594.60; HILLTOP DRUG medication expense-doxycyclon, 11.04; MERIT MECHANICAL fixed two (2) leaking toilets, labor 370.00; O'NEILL PEST CONTROL spraying for bugs 95.00; PINNACLE BANK Gatorade, ensure, Powerade, 210.65; DAVID SCHMITT cogged door lock for med room, drill out and install lock, nail on clear corners, flat plexiglass 305.15; SHIRLEY OSBORN menu review 70.00; THRIFTWAY sharp cheddar cheese, sour cream, cream cheese, x-creamy whip, pecan pie, pumpkin pie, Dutch apple, strawberry rhubarb, sweet dough, chicken broth, cream of chicken, stuffing mix, blueberry pie filling, French fried onions, grape Jello, crushed pineapple, stove top stuffing, bacon 159.38; Commissary: BOB BARKER COMPANY light weight tactical trousers 89.98; CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING starburst, milk duds, mike and Ikes, Reese's peanut butter cup, 151.15; CHARM-TEX crew-neck sweatshirts, sweat pants, shorts, knit shorts, panties, sports bras, 2,739.32; COMBINED PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS calling cards 500.00; CUBBYS gasoline and fuel 42.41; GREATER AMERICA DISTRIBUTING slim gem, cpi talos, gryphon 6,050.00; NORFOLK DAILY NEWS annual newspaper subscription 197.00; PINNACLE BANK pizza, pop tarts, Austin peanut butter, jack links beef steak, degree men's deodorant, coloring book, skin solutions body lotion, crest toothpaste, A&W r

Correspondence was reviewed: NACO BC/BS NE 2025-2026 rates; copy of Agreement, notice to proceed, and notice of award for 2025 microsurfacing project; Knife River asphalt bid; copy of sign for Neligh Economic Development; Thrasher basement bid proposal; EPP basement bid proposal; correct copy of Fund balance report from Treasurer's Office, Auction Time list of sold items, purchaser and purchase price; copy of the Stop Sign proposed resolution (from Brian McDonald); 2025 micro-surfacing change order; sealed bid surplus miscellaneous material list; Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy letter regarding Thiele Dairy Concentrated Animal Feeding operation; RC&D membership reminder.

The Sheriff Fee Report for April was reviewed and put on file

9:05 AM Public Comments: Chairman Henery calls for public comments three (3) times. No comments made.

Stop Sign Resolution: Over the last 12-24 months Antelope County Road and Bridge has participated in a grant program with the State of Nebraska in which the 'STOP' signs and 'stop ahead' signs were updated, replaced and placed. Today a resolution is presented for approval and signature to provide proof of the project completion. Motion by Commissioner Williby, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to approve resolution and authorize chairman to sign same. Voting aye: Williby, Dittrich, Jacob and Henery. Nays none. Commissioner Krebs was absent. Motion carried.



Zoning Administrator Report: Mrs. Wingate met with the Commissioners. Presented two administrative plats.

• Administrative Plat: Gary Yoder presents with an administrative plat in which he is parceling the tree line from the parent parcel. His neighbor plans to purchase the parcel from him. This parcel is in the NW½SW½ of Section 5, Township 27, Range 7, West of the 6th PM, Antelope County, Nebraska. The administrative plat is for 6.988 acres and includes the house and garage. Mrs. Wingate states she does not believe there is access to the parcel. She voices no opposition and recommends approval if the access can be arranged. Mr. Kluthe and the Commissioners agreed it was flat landscape, and visibility should not be an issue. Motion by Commissioner Williby, seconded by Commissioner Dittrich to approve administrative plat if access can be arranged and is in good standing. Voting aye: Williby, Dittrich, Jacob and Henery. Nays none. Commissioner Krebs was absent. Motion carried.



• Administrative Plat: Merlin Bolling presents with an administrative plat in which he is separating the home site from the parent parcel. This parcel is in the NW¼ of Section 12, Township 26, Range 8, West of the 6th PM, Antelope County, Nebraska. The administrative plat is for 6.959 acres and includes the house and attached garage. Mrs. Wingate voices no opposition and recommends approval. Motion by Commissioner Williby, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to approve administrative plat as presented. Voting aye: Williby, Dittrich, Jacob and Henery. Nays none. Commissioner Krebs was absent. Motion carried.



- Mrs. Wingate reports there will be a Conditional Use Permit for a public hearing on June 10 for 354-foot Cellular Tower. More information to follow.
- No further report or action.

9:16 AM Board of Equalization: Motion by Commissioner Dittrich, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to open as a Board of Equalization. Voting aye: Williby, Dittrich, Jacob and Henery. Nays none. Commissioner Krebs was absent. Motion carried. Met for approximately five (5) minutes. 9:21 AM Motion by Commissioner Jacob, seconded by Commissioner Dittrich to close as a Board of Equalization and return to regular session. Voting aye: Williby, Dittrich, Jacob and Henery. Nays none. Commissioner Krebs was absent. Motion carried.

Extension Office:

- Pam Slaymaker, UNL Food and Nutrition Education and Amy Topp regional director, UNL Extension Board met with the Board regarding office updates.
- The 4-H Coordinator has graduated and is ready to start. She originally was not scheduled to start until the 27th of May; however, she can start as early as the 16th 19th. Pam inquired whether the Commissioners cared about what date. The Commissioners left it up to the office to arrange a good starting date.
- 4-H has 23 Antelope County participants for the youth camp in Genoa this year.
- Reminder, there is an open house at the 'new' building at the fairgrounds from 4-6 PM on May 28th, 2025, with ribbon cutting ceremony at about 3:30 PM the Commissioners are invited and encouraged to attend.
- They gave another shout out for painting the basement meeting room. It is in good shape for the various classes coming this summer.
- Summer Intern has been hired. Emma Qualset will start May 19th, 2025. She participated in Antelope County 4-H growing up and just completed her first year of college in Wyoming. She will work through the summer and help with the summer programs and 4-H/Fair.
- No further action.

Historical Marker Sign: Neligh Economic Director, Lauren Sheridan met with the Commissioners regarding a 'new' bronze marking monument to be placed on selected buildings and historical locations in Antelope County. These sign markers are made possible by a grant from the State of Nebraska Historical Society. She reports the local committee chose the Courthouse and the Historic Museum Complex. General discussion regarding the signs, costs and placement. Neligh is a certified local government, the only community north of the interstate because of the historic significance. There is no cost (as it is being covered by History Nebraska). The Commissioners agreed the best placement would be in the rock garden located north of the parking lot – beside the glass door entrance on the south side of the courthouse annex. Motion by Commissioner Williby, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to authorize and approve the bronze historical marking to be ordered and placed in the rock garden. Voting aye: Williby, Dittrich, Jacob and Henery. Nays none. Commissioner Krebs was absent. Motion carried.

Micro-surfacing:

- Notice of Award: With the bid opening and awarding of the 2025 Micro-surfacing to Asphalt Surfacing Company the Notice of Award was presented today for authorization and signatures. The total award is \$388,018.37. Motion by Commissioner Williby, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to approve and authorize vice-chairperson signing of Notice of Award. Voting aye: Dittrich, Williby, Jacob and Henery. Commissioner Krebs was absent. Nays none. Motion carried.
- Notice to Proceed: The Notice to Proceed for the 2025 Micro-surfacing to Asphalt Surfacing Company was presented today. Motion by Commissioner Dittrich, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to approve notice to proceed and authorize vice-chairman to sign Notice to Proceed. Voting aye: Ditrich, Jacob, Williby and Henery. Krebs was absent. Nays none. Motion carried.
- Agreement for Construction Contract: The agreement for 2025 Micro-surfacing to Asphalt Surfacing Company was presented. Motion by Commissioner Dittrich, seconded by Commissioner Williby to approve agreement between owner and contractor and authorize vice-chairman to sign Agreement. Voting aye: Dittrich, Williby, Jacob and Henery. Krebs was absent. Nays none. Motion carried.

• Change Order: A change order was presented to include an approximate 1.25 miles of 843rd Road (west of Tilden) on the 2025 Micro-surfacing project. The Road and Bridge Department recently completed prep work on this mile and a quarter, and desires to have micro-surfacing completed this spring. This item was presented after hours last night, and was not on the agenda, however, to make sure it is included as part of the current micro-surfacing project, Brian McDonald, Highway Superintendent, recommended approving the change order to ensure it is on the project list. Next month/meeting the time will be ready for agenda and approval. Motion is made by Commissioner Dittrich, seconded by Commissioner Williby to approve the Change Order as presented. Voting aye: Dittrich, Williby, Jacob and Henery. Krebs was absent. Nays none. Motion carried.

Blue Cross/Blue Shield – NACO: On about April 29th, NACO presented the insurance premiums for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. Motion by Commissioner Williby, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to approve and authorize Antelope County participation in the Blue Cross Blue Shield major medical program with the \$2,600.00 deductible and the County to continue to buy down the last \$2,000.00 of the deductible. Voting aye: Dittrich, Williby, Jacob and Henery. Krebs was absent. Nays none. Motion carried.

Rehire: Antelope County Weed Department would like to hire summer spraying help. Brittany Braband has been a seasonal help for a couple of years, and they desire to rehire for the summer spraying season. The weed department approved rehire, and it is presented today for discussion. Motion by Commissioner Williby, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to approve and authorize hiring Brittany Braband for summer-seasonal help. Voting aye: Dittrich, Williby, Jacob and Henery. Krebs was absent. Nays none. Motion carried.

Foundation – Water in Basement. It has been very dry – so water has not been an issue. Thrasher basement and EPP Foundation Repair both submitted bids for attempting to fix water linking issues in the basement. Discussion of bids and other maintenance issues regarding the same. As it has been dry for so long the Commissioners wondered if the repairing of the Courthouse roof/shingles and the gutters might help with the drainage away from the building. It was discussed to hold these off until the roof system repair is complete to see if the issues improve, change, etc. No action today.

Road Superintendent Report:

• Knife River: Antelope County accepted bids for hot mix asphalt. The bid accepted was from Midwest Coatings. Recently, they have experienced all kinds of issues including lightning strikes. For this reason, the product was not available as needed. Mr. Kluthe looked for additional options. Knife River reported to Mr. Kluthe they had submitted a bid; however, Antelope County never received it. Knife River sent a proposal today for Hot Mix Asphalt. Motion by Commissioner Dittrich, seconded by Commissioner Williby to accept the Knife River bid for \$90.00 a ton. Voting aye: Dittrich, Williby, Jacob and Henery. Krebs was absent. Nays none. Motion carried.



- Stop Sign Project Completed. Mr. Kluthe reported the stop signs have been placed as recommended. The resolution signed today was the affirmation to the State of Nebraska the projects completeness.
- 843rd West of Tilden: 1.5 miles has been prepped and ready for micro-surfacing. Supporting the Change Order above, to add it to the 2025 Micro-surfacing project.
- Case Tractor: After recent repairs the Case Tractor was down again. The 'new' master clutch piston was faulty. Antelope County was able to utilize a rental during the down time. Mr. Kluthe is working on the warranty and rental part of this. The tractor has been returned to the fleet.
- Thrasher Basement/Foundation Repair: will be working on bridges north of Highway 275 on 513th Avenue. They are working on the approaches to the approach on these bids. This should be completed within the next two (2) weeks.
- Brandon Anderson Driveway Access: this access was approved in early April pending the site visibility of the access. The original plan was to take down some of the swails in the road, however, there is a slight dip out in the area, which would be ideal place for access. Mr. Kluthe reports Brandon's dad has volunteered to pay for Sinclair dirt to pack in the area (about 12 inches of dirt) road width. The Commissioners agreed this seems like it would solve the site visibility and create great access. Road Superintendent will work with contractor and land owner. No further action.
- Summer Help: Christopher Morena started yesterday. He plans on working the summer with Antelope County Road and Bridge Crew.
- Irrigation End Guns: notice to be in the paper. For the most part water on the roads is not a problem now, because of the dryness.
- Mowing tree notice: will be published.
- Budget: Mr. Kluthe believes the budget is in good shape looking at the end of the fiscal year.
- No further report.

Budget: Lisa Payne (Antelope County Clerk) suggested she plans to have budget numbers out to the officials and department heads by the end of the week, or the first of next week. And to have office request pages to the officials by the end of May, to be back by the 11th or 12th of June so she can work on good figures for the next fiscal year. During a recent Budget meeting it was discussed there are several changes to the budget that will change the calculations. Mrs. Payne wants to have some kind of presentation ready for the June 24th Board of Commissioner Meeting. Budget discussions will be an ongoing discussion for the next couple-three (3)-four (4) months.

No other issues to discuss.

Motion was made by Commissioner Williby, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to **adjourn**. Voting aye: Dittrich, Jacob, Williby and Henrry. Nays none. Commissioner Krebs was absent. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:12 AM.

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _______
Chairman of the Board, Charlie Henery

Attest: County Clerk, Lisa Payne