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March 7, 2023

The Brown County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at 8:15 A.M., in the Brown County Courthouse meeting room with members Chairman Buddy Small, Dennis Bauer and Jeremiah Dailey present. Also present were Brown County Clerk (BCC) Travis Hobbs and Brown County Highway Superintendent (BCHS) Kenneth Turpin.

Chairman Small acknowledged the Open Meeting Act posted near the entrance to the Meeting Room.

Those in attendance rose and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Small moved to approve minutes from the February 21, 2023, Commissioner meeting as written and officially recorded in Commissioner Book 23. Dailey seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

The Board viewed the custodian report as presented. BCC Hobbs notified the Board of the newest occurrence, the wall was crumbling with plaster falling in the upper corners of the hallway north of the double doors entering the courtroom wing. Water had also leaked under the breezeway on the north end.

BCHS Turpin updated the Board on road department projects.

At 8:30 AM the Public Hearing was opened to consider the Road Closure of road 38 or 438<sup>th</sup> located in Section 19 in T29N, R20.

At 8:30 AM the Public Hearing was opened to review the 1-6 Year Highway Improvement Program.

At 8:30 AM the Board opened bids submitted for the Armor Coating.

Two bids were submitted, Figgins Construction Co. Inc., Red Cloud, Nebraska \$24,265.16 per mile and TopKote Inc., Yankton, SD \$18,747.00 per mile.

Bauer moved to accept the bid from TopKote Inc., Yankton, SD for \$18,747.00 per mile. Dailey seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Turpin read the 1-6 Year Highway Improvement plan, highlighting the projects completed in the past year and future projects.

Small moved to approve payment of the claims, the Brown County Sheriff's January monthly fee report of \$330.28 and the Brown County Clerk's February monthly fee report of \$1,799.33. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Small presented a proposal for Professional Services of KPE Architecture Engineering Forensics, Omaha, Nebraska of \$5,850.00 to provide an assessment and solutions to the problem relating to the leaking of the Courthouse roof.

Bauer moved to approve the proposal from KPE Architecture Engineering Forensics, Omaha, Nebraska for \$5,850.00. Small seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Caleb Johnson, J13 Enterprises, LLC, Ogallala Nebraska, presented the Board his proposal for budget services for the 2023-2024 budget year.

Bauer moved to accept the engagement letter for 2023-2024 budget services of \$3,500.00 from J13 Enterprises, LLC, Ogallala Nebraska and authorize Chairman Small sign. Dailey seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Public Hearing for the 1-6 Year Highway Improvement was closed at 9:30 AM.

Public Hearing for the Road Closure of road 38 or 438<sup>th</sup> located in Section 19 in T29N, R20 was closed at 9:30 AM. No action taken, the item was placed on the next agenda.

Dailey moved to approve Resolution #2023-13 adoption of the 1-6 Highway Improvement Program and authorize Chairman Small to sign. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

No Public comments were made.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 A.M.

The next regular meeting of the Brown County Commissioners will be Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 8:15 AM, Brown County Courthouse, Ainsworth, Nebraska.

This meeting's public notice was published in the Ainsworth Star-Journal, aired on KBRB Radio, and posted at the Brown County Clerk's office, where all agendas and minutes are kept current for public inspection at any time.