

February 28, 2023

The Keya Paha County Commissioners met Tuesday, February 28th, 2023, as advertised. Chairman Tuerk called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Nilson and Frederick, Clerk Wentworth, Co Attorney E. Scott, Hwy Supt. L. Smith were present. Tuerk noted the open meetings act posted for the public.

After review, Nilson moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented, Frederick seconded. Voting: Nilson—yes, Tuerk—yes and Frederick—yes. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Mark and Marcia Frick discussed the roads and road policy during general business.

Discussion was held with L. Smith on the progress of some projects. At 11:00 Nilson moved to open the 1- & 6-Year Road Hearing, Tuerk seconded. Voting: Tuerk—yes, Frederick—yes and Nilson—yes, all voted in favor. Motion carried. Plans for the road projects were discussed and the map was gone over. Tuerk moved to close the hearing at 11:17, Nilson seconded. Voting: Frederick—yes, Nilson—yes and Tuerk—yes. All voted in favor, motion carried. Nilson moved, Frederick seconded to approve the 1-6 Year Road Plan with the changes discussed. Voting: Nilson—yes, Tuerk—yes and Frederick—yes. All voted in favor, motion carried.

County personnel was discussed briefly, the county is down one road employee.

The commissioners took a lunch break.

T. Wyrick met with the commissioners to discuss progress on the projects that are still waiting to be paid by FEMA/NEMA. Wyrick is also working on CBDG funding of the counties 5% responsibility and the possibility of getting some of that covered by a grant.

Discussion was held on the issue of snow on the roads. The commissioners discussed a snowblower that was available for sale, or the possibility of finding a reasonable used one. The commissioners went to look at the used one they knew was available and decided to not go that route.

The commissioners tabled the handbook update agenda item until the next meeting.

The commissioners discussed the vacancy in the road department at length. It was decided to advertise for a Road Department Supervisor, with a beginning salary of \$60,000 + benefits, and will accept applications until 5:00 pm on March 24th. Interviews will be set for April 11th at the regular meeting. A job description will be available in the Clerk's office.

CLAIMS

GENERAL FUND

Salaries & Ins Reimb		\$	15,285.14
DAS State Accounting	data processing	\$	137.28
Marcia Frick	data processing	\$	200.00
Josh Garris	appraisal	\$	26,300.00
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share retirement	\$	814.93
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Jeffrey Kirsch	fuel reimb	\$	30.00
Barbara Nilson	dispatch	\$	708.33
Region IV Behavioral Health System	opiod funds	\$	251.16

ROAD FUND

Salaries & Ins Reimb		\$	10,390.25
AKRS Equipment	repairs	\$	1,418.67
Andys Glass	repairs	\$	210.00
BC&BS	ins prem	\$	2,460.78
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share retirement	\$	566.34
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share fica	\$	774.68
Murphy Tractor	repairs	\$	1,805.85
NMC Exchange LLC	repairs	\$	4,880.97

WEED FUND

Salaries & Ins Reimb		\$	833.33
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share retirement	\$	56.25
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share fica	\$	140.45

Nilson moved to approve the above claims, Tuerk seconded. Voting: Tuerk—yes, Frederick—yes and Nilson—yes, all voted in favor. Motion carried.

At 4:45 p.m. the chairman declared the meeting adjourned until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Tuesday March 14th 2023 at 10:00 am at the courthouse meeting room. A current agenda is on file in the clerks office and available online at <https://co.keya-paha.ne.us>.

Suzy Wentworth, Clerk

Mike Tuerk, Chairman

*****These minutes are not yet approved and may be corrected*****