The Fremont County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom, with Clint Blackburn and Dustin Sheldon present. Let the record show that Chris Clark was not present for this meeting. A quorum was declared, and the meeting was officially called to order at 9:03 a.m. The agenda was approved as posted. Minutes of the previous board session were read and approved.

Let the record show that EMC Clayton Long, Attorney Peter Johnson, and Jeff Shearer were present for this meeting.

Motion by Sheldon to move the meeting date of December 25th to Monday, December 23rd at 9:00 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sheldon to approve the following Resolution 2024-60 for the secondary roads transfer. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-60

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Fremont County Board of Supervisors this 6th day of December 2024, that the following transfer of funds be approved and made: \$761,177.00 from the Rural Services Basic Fund, share of Rural Services taxes, to the Secondary Road Fund and \$71,395.00 property tax relief of local option taxes, from the Local Option Sales Tax Fund to the Secondary Road Fund.

Motion to approve transfer made by Sheldon.

ATTEST:

/s/ Dee Owen

Fremont County Auditor

/s/ Clint Blackburn

aye

/s/ Dustin Sheldon

aye

Attorney Johnson advised the board that he has an attorney coming to provide a free equal opportunity employment guidelines presentation.

Supervisor Sheldon discussed progress on the I29/Highway 2 Drainage District. When he spoke to Jim Olmstead, he told him they are working on bid letting. Auditor Owen stated they are on the agenda for January 29th for a public hearing and bid opening.

At 9:09 a.m., Wendy Mueller with West Central Community Action met with the board by telephone regarding the funding for FY25. She started by thanking the board for their support. They are requesting \$3,500 for FY25, the same as last year. Mueller went over the client's demographic information. They helped 262 households made up of 640 individuals in 2024. They helped with head start, childcare resources and referrals, child and adult food care program, weatherization, energy assistance, water assistance, Embrace Iowa, I Care – Black Hills Cares Assistance, Family Development and Self-Sufficiency Program, food pantry, and Habitat Home Assistance, just to name a few. The food pantry served 120 households in 2024. They provided \$649,090.00 total dollars for services in Fremont County in FY24. Mueller said their outreach office is now located at 705 Indiana Street in Sidney. After thanks from the board, motion by Sheldon to approve the budget allocation of \$3,500.00 for FY25. Motion carried unanimously.

Claims were approved for December 6, 2024.

At 9:32 a.m., with no further business, Sheldon motioned to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

Dee Owen, Auditor

Clint Blackburn, Vice Chairman

At 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 11, 2024, a Department Head meeting was held in the Fremont County Courthouse Boardroom. Present were Alise Snyder, Tarah Berry, Dee Owen, Dustin Sheldon, Clint Blackburn, Clayton Long, Vicki Kirkpatrick, Scott Evans, and Dan Davis. Topics discussed: additional software support, assessor's monthly district meeting & PAAB cases, and contractor for J18 bridge, will start Friday, seal coat to be let in January, and ARPA funds.

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Let the record show that Attorney Peter Johnson, Assistant Auditor Cassie Gilbert, Recorder Tarah Berry, Treasurer Alise Snyder, Assessor Vicki Kirkpatrick, EMC Clayton Long, IT Scott Evans, and Jeff Shearer were present for this meeting.

Assistant Auditor Cassie Gilbert presented the board with one application from the assessor's office for family farm credit applications for FY2025. Motion by Sheldon to approve the application. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed the purchase of software support from RenewGov using ARPA Funds. These funds must be allocated by December 31, 2024. This support would be an addition to our current software provider. They are familiar with the programs and would offer timely service and after-hours support for the Assessor, Auditor, Recorder, Treasurer, and Secondary Roads, which our current provider is lacking. The cost is \$14,900 per year. Jeff Shearer asked if the current software company was in breach of contract. Attorney Johnson explained that they were and that he and other counties were discussing options. This would just be a solution to the current problem. After much discussion, motion by Sheldon to sign the contract with RenewGov for software support. Motion carried unanimously.

Claims were approved for December 13, 2024.

At 9:15 a.m., with no further business, Sheldon motioned to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

Dee Owen, Auditor

Clint Blackburn, Vice Chairman