The Stanton County Board of Commissioners met in regular session May 15, 2023. Present were Commissioners Chris Floyd, Lonnie Brown & John Smith, County Attorney Clint Floyd, and County Clerk Sandy Barton. Chairman Floyd called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of May 1 were read and approved.

Vouchers were approved and paid as follows:

\$ 42,743.33
66,727.30
3,678.70
2,553.69
975.15
466.47
1,339.18
2,315.38
10,137.83
756.89
 125.44
\$ 131,819.38

Road Supervisor Troy Brickman met with the Board to discuss issues pertinent to his department. They continue to work on roads. The 2024 budget was discussed again, with no decision at this time.

Sheriff Clayton Kester met with the Board to update them on his department. Clayton continues to work on grants for the purchase of radios. A quote from Axon Enterprise Inc was presented for new tasers for \$19,248.00. The tasers will be on a 5-year payment plan and at the end of the 5 years the tasers will be replaced with new ones. Commissioner Brown moved to accept the taser purchase, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.

The County Attorney left the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Health Nurse Ruth Walker met with the Board to discuss services at the health department. No financials for May 2024 were received from the hospital. Ruth discussed with the Board the decision to decrease the monthly payment to \$6,000 for the health department. The Board assured her they will continue to fund the Health Department and make up any deficient in December 2023.

Brooke Cooper and Marla Lira with Compass Behavioral Health met with the Board to update them on services provided in 2022 and request a budget for 2024 of \$10,000. No decision was made at this time.

Terry Lawhon & Cindy Wellbrock met with the Board to discuss valuations for 2023 and present a new contract for services. Valuations are down this year from the previous year. The Appraisal contract went from \$85,800 to \$92,460 which is a 5-year 8% increase. Commissioner Smith moved to accept the contract as presented, seconded by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

The Stanton County Library submitted minutes of their February 17, March 15, and March 24 minutes.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Floyd adjourned the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

ATTEST: SIGN:
Sandy Barton Chris Floyd
County Clerk Chairman