

Pawnee Co Commission approves new union contract

(KLZA)--The Pawnee County Commission Tuesday approved a new contract with Nebraska Public Employees Local 251.

The contract runs January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2022.

In an effort to bring the wages of Pawnee County Road Department personnel in line with comparable counties around the state, the increase in year one of the contract will be 12.5 percent. Each of the following three years the pay increase will be 3 percent.

The current starting wage for an employee in the Road Department is \$16.49. In 2019 the starting wage will increase to \$18.55 per hour and by the fourth year of the contract the starting wage will be \$20.27 per hour.

In other business, board members learned their share for materials for two bridge projects will be \$80,221. Pawnee, Gage and Johnson counties are cooperating on the bridge match projects. Ace Eaton Metals out of Kearney will provide the materials.

Following a discussion with County Treasurer Cheryl Dahlgren, the Board voted to have the treasurer put the delinquent taxes that have been on the books for two years on the county tax sale roles.

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