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**(Neb.)- Several Cases Continued In Dawes County District Court**

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(Chadron)- Dawes County District Court was in session Tuesday morning, May 14th at the Dawes County Courthouse. Ryan Chizek was due in court Tuesday morning for a motion to vacate or modify judgment and sentencing. Chizek was not at his court appearance as he is currently being held in the Nebraska State Correctional Facility. Arrangements are being made for him to be present at a reschedule appearance for June 18th.

Sean Johnson appeared this morning with his pretrial hearing being moved to June 11th at 9:30 a.m. in hopes of a plea agreement being reached.

Caleb Scherbarth also had his pretrial hearing moved to June 11th at 9:30 a.m. as both prosecution and defense are close to a plea agreement. Judge Travis O'Gorman did make it known that he was amending Scherbarth's bond to allow him to leave Dawes County but not travel outside of the state of Nebraska.

Douglas Waterman showed for an arraignment Tuesday morning, he will enter a not guilty plea on multiple counts of possession of a controlled substance with the intent to deliver; his pretrial hearing is scheduled for August 13th at 11:00 a.m.

August Long, accused of a 3rd offense DUI and an open container also entered a not guilty plea on his charges and will appear for a pretrial hearing on August 13th at 11:00 a.m.

Natasha Afraid Of Bear had a hearing in district court on a charge of child abuse. Afraid Of Bear pleaded no contest and Judge Travis O'Gorman did find her guilty of the Class I Misdemeanor. Judge O'Gorman ordered a Pre-Sentence Investigation prior to sentencing scheduled for July 16th.