



Clay County Board Minutes



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, April 17, 2012 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met April 17, 2012 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on April 11, 2012 a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the County Clerk's Office. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting. Chairman Fintel presided with roll call showing the following present: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Minutes of the meeting held April 10, 2012 were mailed to the board members. All of the proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman, Ivan Fintel stated that the open meeting law poster is posted on the west wall in the back of the room.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes of the meeting held April 10, 2012 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

There was no public comment.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent, was not able to meet with the board at this time.

An easement requested by Ron Pavelka for an electric line was discussed. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Johnson to approve the easement requested by Ron Pavelka for an electric line across Road B from the SW ¼ Sec. 29-T5N-R8W to SE ¼ Sec. 30-T5N-R8W for electrical supply to center pivot — agricultural use only. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

The county attorney was not able to get a contract ready for the board to review today. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Schmidt to table the discussion on the contract for the building in Edgar. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

The board discussed the county's responsibilities concerning county burials. A survey of what other counties pay was discussed. Other items such as the cost of a plot and the expense of opening and closing the gravesite were also discussed.

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Samuelson to change the amount paid by Clay County for a burial or cremation from \$1500.00 to \$1750.00. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

The quarterly report from the Zoning Administrator was reviewed. Correspondence concerning a conditional use pit was also distributed.

The tabled claim for Dale's Electric was discussed. The claim will be resubmitted with the new claims next week.

The Highway Supt. entered the meeting at 9:40 A.M. Road concerns were discussed. Work is still being done on Road 304. Tom discussed purchasing a belly dump trailer. He will check prices and availability on the internet as well as checking with other counties and looking at an auction.



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Motion by Shaw and seconded by Anderson to have the Highway Supt. advertise in the Hastings Tribune the Clay County Board of Supervisor's intent to purchase a belly dump trailer at auction per State Statute 23-3109 (3). On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Rates for natural gas from the different suppliers were discussed. Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Shaw to lock in the fixed rate per therm from Asgard Energy, LLC at \$.47 for the next year. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Jessica Hendricks, Community Liason for Congressmen Smith's office updated the board on what is going on in Washington. The board voiced concerns about the loss of federal aid for projects, perpetual easements and funding for the MARC road.

The Board had openings on the agenda and decided to move up the board of equalization time. The agenda states that the scheduled times are tentative and the Board reserves the right to alter the scheduled times for the convenience of the Board and Public within the bounds of the law.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Anderson to recess as the Board of Supervisors at 10:54 A.M. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Shaw to resume session as the Board of Supervisors at 11:09 A.M. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

The board discussed the sidewalk repairs needed around the courthouse and the Service building with the custodian. Travis had prepared a drawing that laid out the problem areas. An ad for bids will be prepared for the board's review at the next meeting.

Ted Griess, County Attorney was not able to meet with the board.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Johnson to adjourn this meeting at 11:26 A.M.; next meeting scheduled for April 24, 2012. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel; absent: Nuss. Motion carried.

Deborah Karnatz, County Clerk

Ivan Fintel, Chairman