



# Clay County Board Minutes



## COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, January 17, 2017 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met January 17, 2017 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on January 11, 2017 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 Nuss presided with roll call showing the following present: Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw and Nuss. Minutes of the meeting held December 27, 2016 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, Todd Nuss stated that the open meeting law poster is posted on the west wall in the back of the room.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Schmidt to approve the minutes of the meeting held December 27, 2016 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss. Motion carried.

The chairman asked if there was any other old business; there was none.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Anderson there being no further old business, to adjourn the business meeting for the year 2016, Sine Die. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Schmidt to appoint Deb Karnatz to act as Temporary Chairman. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Ballots were spread for election of the Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors with the following results: Nuss 6 and Fintel 1. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Anderson that the informal ballot be made formal and declare Todd Nuss Chairman for the year 2017. On roll call, yea: Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson and Schmidt; abstain: Nuss. Motion carried.

Ballots were spread for election of the Vice-Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors with the following results: Fintel 3, Samuelson 2 and Shaw 1. Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Black that the informal ballot be made formal and declare Ivan Fintel Vice Chairman for the year 2017. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black and Nuss; abstain: Fintel. Motion carried.

Roll call was taken by the newly elected Chairman to commence business for the 2017 year showing the following present: Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw and Nuss. Motion carried.

The board discussed the various governing boards they are on. They decided they will all stay on the boards they are currently on. Supervisor Black will serve on the boards that Gary Johnson served on.



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Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Black to have the governing board appointments be: Mid-Nebraska Individual Services, Inc., Eric Samuelson with Ivan Fintel as alternate; Midland Area Agency on Aging, Michael Anderson with Gerald Schmidt as alternate; Region III Mental Health, Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, Ivan Fintel with Todd Nuss as alternate; Trailblazer RC&D, Bruce Rumsey with Robert Black as alternate; County Board representative serving on the Clay County Health Governing Board, Dick Shaw serving a 3 year term (1-17 to 1-20) with Todd Nuss as alternate; County Board members serving on the LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee), Todd Nuss & Robert Black; South Heartland District Health Board member representing the County Board, Eric Samuelson 3 year term (4-15 to 4-18) with Gerald Schmidt as alternate. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss. Motion carried.

Barb Barnett, Zoning Administrator was asked if she would be willing to continue to serve on the South Central Economic Development District board. Barb said she would like to continue serving.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Anderson to appoint Barb Barnett to represent Clay County on the South Central Economic Development District board with Gerald Schmidt as alternate for the year 2017. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to appoint Deb Karnatz as NIRMA contact person for 2017. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Designation of the broadcast media for Clay County was discussed. Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Samuelson to designate KHAS and KKOP radio stations and KLKN and KSNBC Nebraska TV stations as licensed broadcast media for 2017. On roll call, yea: Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson Schmidt and Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Samuelson to designate the Clay County News as the county's official newspaper for 2017. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black and Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Black to designate the Clay County website as an additional method of publishing notice of meetings of the Board of Supervisors; other departments may use this method at their discretion. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw and Nuss. Motion carried.

The Treasurer submitted a list of banks that are available to hold the deposits and CD's for Clay County. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel that the following banks be named as holding agencies for county funds for the year 2017: Cornerstone Bank and First Bank & Trust, both of Clay Center; Cornerstone Bank and Astra Bank, both of Sutton; Cornerstone Bank of Harvard; Cornerstone Bank of Edgar; Pinnacle Bank of Fairfield and Cornerstone Bank of Glenvil. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss. Motion carried.



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Laurie Sheridan, Clay County Health Dept. Director submitted a request to have Nancy Lipovsky re-appointed to the Clay County Board of Health. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Anderson to re-appoint Nancy Lipovsky to an additional three year term ending October 31, 2019. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Loren Uden, Emergency Management Consultant had sent recommendations for appointments to the 9-1-1 Committee. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to appoint: Mike Overturf, Brad Brennforder, Tom Roemmich II, Sandra Nejezchleb and John Smith to the 9-1-1 Committee for a two year term beginning January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Samuelson to re-appoint Thomas Roemmich II, as Highway Superintendent for the year 2017. On roll call, yea: Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Nuss. Motion carried.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent presented his December Road work report and reported on work done on the roads during the weekend storm. He will be getting about eight more loads of salt from Kansas. Tom discussed generators that are listed as federal surplus. The board gave him the ok to look into purchasing two. TNT has finished crushing the rock at a cost of \$29,000.00 which is about \$10,000.00 less than it would have cost with another company.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Fintel to approve the Highway Superintendent's road work report for the month of December 2016. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black and Nuss. Motion carried.

Tom discussed when to have the hearing for the 1 & 6 year road plan and advertising for gravel bids.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Schmidt to advertise the public hearing for the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan to be held on February 21, 2017 at 9:15 A.M. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw and Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Samuelson to advertise for gravel bids to supply gravel for the county roads for the year 2017; bids to be opened on Feb. 28, 2017 at 9:15 A.M. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss. Motion carried.

Box Culvert projects that Tom would like to do were discussed.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Black to advertise for box culvert bids for Projects 277, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284 and 285; bids to be opened on Feb. 14, 2017 at 9:30 A.M. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Ted Griess, County Attorney could not meet with the board.



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The audit engagement letter has been received from Tonniges & Associates with the requested change made.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Shaw to authorize the chairman to sign the letter from Tonniges & Associates accepting the terms to provide audit services to Clay County for the years ending June 30, 2016, 2017 and 2018. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Barb Barnett was not able to meet with the board.

The board signed the Annual Report of County Officers, Signatures and Seals as requested by the Secretary of State.

The Fee Reports were distributed. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Samuelson to approve the fee reports for the following county officials for the month of December 2016: County Clerk \$8,832.05; County Court \$10,942.09; Clerk of District Court \$4,762.25; Sheriff's fees \$7,032.87 and County Treasurer receipts numbered 16120001 through 16120036 in the amount of \$224,080.65. On roll call, yea: Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Nuss. Motion carried.

A quote was received from O'Keefe Elevator Company for the cartop railings on the elevator cab. Per the compliance report from the State of Nebraska who recently performed the annual inspection, the elevator cab must have a guard rail installed on the sides of the cab that currently pose a fall hazard. The proposal for this installation is for \$3,255.00. This includes materials and labor.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Black to authorize the chairman to sign the proposal from O'Keefe Elevator Company in the amount of \$3,255.00 for materials and labor to install cartop railings on the courthouse elevator cab. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Black and Nuss; nay: Anderson and Schmidt. Motion carried.

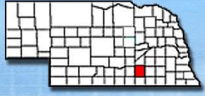
The semi-annual statement from the County Treasurer was reviewed. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Schmidt to accept the semi-annual statement from July 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 as presented by the County Treasurer. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw and Nuss. Motion carried.

The repair of the courthouse front steps will be discussed at the next meeting.

There was no public input.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to adjourn this meeting at 10:45 A.M.; next regular meeting scheduled for January 24, 2017. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss. Motion carried.

The board entered session as the Weed Control Board at 10:46 A.M. Chairman Nuss presided with roll call showing the following present: Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw and Nuss.



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Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Anderson to re-appoint Bruce Rumsey as the Weed Superintendent for 2017. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss. Motion carried.

Copies of the Activity Report for 2016, the Noxious Weed Control Plan for 2017, Infestation Report, Budget Report and the Nebraska Invasive Plant Watch List were passed out to the board for their review. Bruce went over the reports and answered questions.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Samuelson to recess at 11:05 A.M. as the Weed Control Board. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Deb Karnatz, County Clerk

Todd Nuss, Chairman