



# Clay County Board Minutes



## COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, January 16, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met January 16, 2018 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on January 10, 2018 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 26, 2017 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 Shaw and seconded by Fintel to approve the minutes of the meeting held December 26, 2017 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 Shaw and seconded by Anderson there being no further old business, to adjourn the business meeting for the year 2017, Sine Die. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Anderson 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: Fintel 1, Nuss 5 and Schmidt 1. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel that the informal ballot be made formal and declare Todd Nuss Chairman for the year 2018. 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: Schmidt 3, Fintel 2, Samuelson 1 and Shaw 1. Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Black that the informal ballot be made formal and declare Gerald Schmidt Vice Chairman for the year 2018. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Black and Nuss; abstain: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Roll call was taken by the newly elected Chairman to commence business for the 2018 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.



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Motion by Anderson and seconded by Fintel to have the governing board appointments remain the same as last year: 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 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 is the chair of that board and would like to continue serving.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to appoint Barb Barnett to represent Clay County on the South Central Economic Development District board with Gerald Schmidt as alternate for the year 2018. 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 2018. 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 KSNBC Nebraska TV station as licensed broadcast media for 2018. On roll call, yea: Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Schmidt and Nuss; abstain: Anderson. Motion carried.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Schmidt to designate the Clay County News as the county's official newspaper for 2018. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black and Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Black and seconded by Samuelson 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 Black that the following banks be named as holding agencies for county funds for the year 2018: Cornerstone Bank and Waypoint Bank, 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, and Nuss. Motion carried.



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Motion by Anderson and seconded by Black to re-appoint Thomas Roemmich II, as Highway Superintendent for the year 2018. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent presented his December Road work report. Tom reported on culvert and bridge work. He thinks all the projects will be completed this spring.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Samuelson to approve the Highway Superintendent's road work report for the month of December 2017. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Tom asked the board if they had anything they wanted to add to the 1 & 6 year Road Plan. He's working on it now and will go over his preliminary plan with them on January 30<sup>th</sup>. He discussed when to have the hearing for the 1 & 6 year road plan and advertising for gravel bids.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to advertise the public hearing for the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan to be held on February 13, 2018 at 9:15 A.M. On roll call, yea: Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Anderson to advertise for gravel bids to supply gravel for the county roads for the year 2018; bids to be opened on Feb. 20, 2018 at 9:15 A.M. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black and Nuss. Motion carried.

An easement from Windstream was presented.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Anderson to approve the request from Windstream Nebraska, Inc. to construct telecommunications facilities occupying the Right-of-Way to provide permanent service at existing pedestal 520-AC across Road X from the NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 34-8-5 to NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 35-8-5. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw and Nuss. Motion carried.

Ted Griess, County Attorney will look into the County Burial Policy to see if some changes need to be made. The purchase of the Dykema property was discussed. The title search results should be coming soon.

Barb Barnett, Safety Committee Chair reported on the progress of recommendations made by NIRMA for courthouse security.

The changes have been received from National Insurance Services to update our policy to include options for long term disability and life insurance for those choosing the cash in lieu of health insurance.

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Anderson to authorize the chairman to sign the joinder agreement for Group Term Life Insurance and Long Term Disability Insurance. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss. Motion carried.



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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 Anderson and seconded by Fintel to approve the fee reports for the following county officials for the month of December 2017: County Clerk \$19,667.50; County Court \$7,365.34; Clerk of District Court \$20,047.25; Sheriff's fees \$2,482.86 and County Treasurer receipts numbered 17120001 through 17120041 in the amount of \$171,476.22. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss. Motion carried.

The semi-annual statement from the County Treasurer was reviewed. Motion by Anderson and seconded by Shaw to accept the semi-annual statement from July 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 as presented by the County Treasurer. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Justin Mommens was called to update the board on the air handler project. The current chiller has a leak and no replacement parts can be found. He recommended installing a new chiller that would be smaller and more efficient. The board reviewed the proposal and after questions and discussion told him to proceed since the other one will not be functioning soon. Mike Carroll, custodian was also present for this discussion and will work with Justin.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Fintel to authorize the chairman to sign the proposal with Rasmussen Mechanical Services to replace the old chiller. On roll call, yea: Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Nuss. Motion carried.

The Auto Fleet, Inland Marine, and Building & Contents Schedules were discussed. The Chairman will contact NIRMA to get some questions answered.

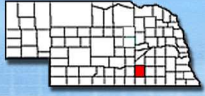
There was no public input.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to adjourn this meeting at 11:48 A.M.; next regular meeting scheduled for January 23, 2018. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black and Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Anderson to enter session as the Weed Control Board at 11:50 A.M. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw and Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Samuelson to re-appoint Bruce Rumsey as the Weed Superintendent for 2018. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Black, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss. Motion carried.

Bruce was unable to attend the meeting due to illness however he did send the information he was going to discuss. Copies of the Activity Report for 2017, the Noxious Weed Control Plan for 2018, Infestation Report, Budget Report and the Nebraska Invasive Plant Watch List were passed out to the board for their review. Bruce will go over the reports and answer questions at the next meeting.



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Motion by Anderson and seconded by Schmidt to recess at 11:55 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