



Clay County Board Minutes



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, September 11, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met September 11, 2018, as per public notice given in the Clay County News on September 5, 2018. A copy of the proof of publication is 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, Black, Shaw and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Minutes of the meeting held August 28, 2018 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 Samuelson and seconded by Black to approve the minutes of the meeting held August 28, 2018 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Black, Fintel and Nuss; abstain: Shaw; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

There was no Public Input.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent reported on road work being done from the recent rains. They will be cleaning ditches and doing culverts next.

The Road Work Report was presented.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Anderson to approve the Highway Superintendent's road work report for the month of August 2018. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Documents from Olsson Associates concerning the Box Culvert project were received. Various forms need authorized signatures.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Fintel to authorize the chairman to sign the Notice of Award pages for Clay County Box Culvert Project (Phase 3). On roll call, yea: Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Samuelson to open the public hearing for easement requests from Clay County SID #1 for a water line for public drinking water and fire protection at 9:15 A.M. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Black and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Tom Roemmich II, Highway Supt. was present; no other persons were present to discuss this matter; no written or oral comments or objections were received. Supervisor Samuelson expressed concerns about approving easements to cross these roads. The easements were agreed to by the landowners at the request of the Sanitary Improvement District. Tom explained that by having the easements, the county had



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some control and recourse as to how the work is done. Water cannot be denied to this area so the work would be done whether the county approved or not.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Anderson to close the public hearing at 9:30 A.M. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Black, Shaw and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

The easements for the water lines were discussed.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to approve the easement for Clay County SID #1 for a water line across Road A from NW $\frac{1}{4}$ 13-7-9 (Adams County) to NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 18-7-8 for public drinking water distribution and fire protection. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Black, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss; nay: Samuelson; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Motion by Black and seconded by Anderson to approve the easement for Clay County SID #1 for a water line across Road B from NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 18-7-8 to NW $\frac{1}{4}$ 17-7-8 for public drinking water distribution and fire protection. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Black, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss; nay: Samuelson; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to approve the easement for Clay County SID #1 for a water line across Road C from NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 17-7-8 to NW $\frac{1}{4}$ 16-7-8 for public drinking water distribution and fire protection. On roll call, yea: Black, Shaw, Fintel, Anderson and Nuss; nay: Samuelson, absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Linda Whiting, County Assessor told the Board that they learned at workshop that some counties have put a video on their websites explaining what the County Assessor's office does. She asked them to come to her office to view the video. After watching the video, the Board asked her to find out how much it would cost to put it on Clay County's website.

Justin Mommens from Rasmussen Mechanical joined the board in a conference call to discuss the upgraded cooling system. He explained the system is a building management system that is computer controlled for efficiency. Justin also discussed some problems with the existing system that need to be addressed. The Board asked him to put together a list of problems and an estimate for fixing/replacing.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Black to open the budget hearing at 10:30 A.M. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Black and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

The public hearing on the proposed County Budget for fiscal year 2018-2019 was held with Gene Ulmer, CPA with Dana F. Cole & Company, LLP, the county budget preparer present. The notice was published in the Clay County News. No other persons attended the hearing. No written or oral comments or objections were received from the public.

Gene went over the spreadsheet and his budget outline. The proposed budget was reviewed with the board. Valuation is down 5.2% (the largest decrease since at least 1999) resulting in the levy being set at 0.2305 (an increase of 3.9 cents).



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Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to close the public hearing on the proposed County Budget for fiscal year 2018-2019 at 10:43 A.M. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Black, Shaw and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Fintel to adopt the Resolution to accept the proposed County Budget for fiscal year 2018-2019 as presented. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Black, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried. (Copy of Resolution on file in the Clerk's office)

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to open the Special Hearing to set the Final Tax request at 10:45 A.M. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Gene Ulmer explained the purpose of the hearing and answered questions. No other persons appeared. No written or oral comments or objections were received from the public.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Samuelson to close the Special Hearing to set the Final Tax request at 10:58 A.M. On roll call, yea: Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

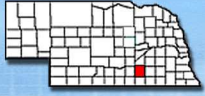
Motion by Shaw and seconded by Black to set the final 2018-2019 proposed tax request at \$4,962,468.00. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Black and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

The fee reports were circulated for review. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Samuelson to accept the fee reports for the following county officials for the month of August 2018: County Clerk, \$7,999.25, County Court \$10,591.87, Clerk of District Court, \$6,510.50, and County Treasurer receipts #18080001 through #18080061 in the amount of \$225,694.80. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Black, Shaw and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

The inventory for Supervisor District #7 was presented (Shaw was unable to attend the last meeting). Motion by Black and seconded by Fintel to approve the inventory for personal property for Supervisor District #7. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Black, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

The Board was reminded of the date change for October (Oct. 9, 16 and 23) in order to set levies before the deadline.

Ted Griess, County Attorney discussed the next steps for removal of the house from the property recently purchased by Clay County. Ted also discussed a house that was advertised as a foreclosure a couple of years ago. He also said he had sent a memo to office/dept. heads to meet with him next week to discuss record retention. From studying the Secretary of States guidelines, it looks like there is very little that needs to be kept beyond 5 years. The next step in selling the Services Building was also discussed.



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Chairman Nuss went into the main hall and announced the board was going into executive session. The County Attorney was present for this as well.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Shaw to enter into executive session at 11:40 A.M. for the purpose of updating the board on a lawsuit. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to go out of executive session and resume regular session at 11:55 A.M. On roll call, yea: Black, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Samuelson to adjourn this meeting at 12:12 PM; next meeting scheduled for September 18, 2018. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Black and Nuss; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Deborah Karnatz, County Clerk

Todd Nuss, Chairman