

COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met at the Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska on February 27, 2024 at 9:00 A.M., as per public notice given in the Clay County News on February 21, 2024 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. All of the proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Vice-Chairman James Pavelka stated that the open meeting law poster is posted on the west wall in the back of the room and presided with roll call showing the following present: Scott Bitterman, Ivan Fintel, Richard Shaw and James Pavelka; absent: L. Wayne Johnson, Eric Samuelson, Glen Becker.

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the meeting held February 20, 2024 were provided to the board members prior to the meeting. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to approve the minutes of the meeting held February 20, 2024. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Bitterman, Fintel, Shaw and Pavelka; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent provided his roads report. Tom presented the Board with a Construction & Maintenance Agreement for the Railroad Bridge Project on County Road W with BNSF. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Fintel to approve the Agreement as presented and authorize the Vice-Chairman to sign the same. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Pavelka; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Easement requests from Sara Hemberger were presented.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to approve the easement request of Sara Hemberger to bury electric line for pivot from the NE ¼ of 21-6-8 across Road 310 to the SE ¼ of 16-6-8, Clay County, Nebraska. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Shaw, Bitterman, Fintel and Pavelka; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Bitterman to approve the easement request of Sara Hemberger to bury electric line for pivot from the NE ¼ of 21-6-8 across Road D to the NW ¼ of 22-6-8, Clay County, Nebraska. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Bitterman, Fintel, Shaw and Pavelka; Nay: None. Motion carried.

At 9:15 A.M. the gravel bids were opened. Representatives from Deweese Sand & Gravel were present. The proposals were:

Mid-Nebraska Aggregate:

PROJECT #1-9,000 cu. yds. more or less, for Leicester, Harvard, Inland, and Lynn Townships.

Delivered for Clay County for the sum of \$19.50 per cu. yd.

PROJECT #2-9,000 cu. yds. more or less, for Eldorado, Lewis, School Creek and Sutton Townships.

Delivered for Clay County for the sum of \$20.25 per cu. yd.

PROJECT #3-9,000 cu. yds. more or less, for Glenvil, Lone Tree, Spring Ranch, and Fairfield Townships.

Delivered for Clay County for the sum of \$23.00 per cu. yd.

PROJECT #4-9,000 cu. yds. more or less, for Marshall, Sheridan, Edgar, and Logan Townships. Delivered for Clay County for the sum of \$27.50 per cu. yd

PROJECT #5-36,000 cu. yds. more or less, for the entire Clay County.

Delivered for Clay County. No bid.

Bid for Class "A" gravel loaded in County trucks at the pit site for the Clay County Pit – no bid.

Bid for Class "A" gravel loaded in County trucks at the pit site for the Hall County Pit - \$12.00 per cu. yard.

Bid for Class "A" oversized road gravel loaded in County trucks at the pit site for Clay County Pit and Hall County Pit – no bid.

Island Landhandlers:

PROJECT #1-9,000 cu. yds. more or less, for Leicester, Harvard, Inland, and Lynn Townships.

Delivered for Clay County – no bid.

PROJECT #2-9,000 cu. yds. more or less, for Eldorado, Lewis, School Creek and Sutton Townships.

Delivered for Clay County – no bid.

PROJECT #3-9,000 cu. yds. more or less, for Glenvil, Lone Tree, Spring Ranch, and Fairfield Townships.

Delivered for Clay County – no bid.

PROJECT #4-9,000 cu. yds. more or less, for Marshall, Sheridan, Edgar, and Logan Townships. Delivered for Clay County – no bid.

PROJECT #5-36,000 cu. yds. more or less, for the entire Clay County.

Delivered for Clay County – no bid.

Bid for Class "A" gravel loaded in County trucks at the pit site for the Clay County Pit – no bid.

Bid for Class "A" gravel loaded in County trucks at the pit site for the Hall County Pit - \$16.20 per cu. yd. (\$12.00 Ton).

Bid for Class "A" oversized road gravel loaded in County trucks at the pit site for Clay County Pit and Hall County Pit – no bid.

Deweese Sand & Gravel Inc:

PROJECT #1-9,000 cu. yds. more or less, for Leicester, Harvard, Inland, and Lynn Townships.

Delivered for Clay County for the sum of \$18.30 per cu. yd.

PROJECT #2-9,000 cu. yds. more or less, for Eldorado, Lewis, School Creek and Sutton Townships.

Delivered for Clay County for the sum of \$18.70 per cu. yd.

PROJECT #3-9,000 cu. yds. more or less, for Glenvil, Lone Tree, Spring Ranch, and Fairfield Townships.

Delivered for Clay County for the sum of \$20.15 per cu. yd.

PROJECT #4-9,000 cu. yds. more or less, for Marshall, Sheridan, Edgar, and Logan Townships. Delivered for Clay County for the sum of \$20.66 per cu. yd.

PROJECT #5-36,000 cu. yds. more or less, for the entire Clay County.

Delivered for Clay County – no bid.

Bid for Class "A" gravel loaded in County trucks at the pit site for the Clay County Pit - \$15.25 per cu. yd. AND the Hall County Pit - \$11.00 per cu. yd.

Bid for Class "A" oversized road gravel loaded in County trucks at the pit site for Clay County Pit and Hall County Pit – no bid.

The gravel bids were discussed. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Bitterman to accept all bids to supply gravel to Clay County from March 15, 2024 to March 15, 2025; with the option to purchase from either company. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Pavelka; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Jeff Franklin, County Sheriff, requested for surplus a 2017 Ford Explorer. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Fintel to approve the surplus request. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Shaw, Bitterman, Fintel and Pavelka; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Matheus Ribeiro, Extension Educator & Lead Educator, submitted candidates for the 2024 Extension Board. Recommended candidates are Ryan Ochsner, Karla Fehr and Jessie Anderson. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to appoint Ryan Ochsner, Karla Fehr and Jessie Anderson to serve on the Clay County Extension Board, term beginning January 2024 – January 2027. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Bitterman, Fintel, Shaw and Pavelka; Nay: None. Motion carried.

At 9:30 A.M. the On-Call Engineering Services bids were opened. Representatives from Oak Creek Engineering were present. The proposals were:

Olsson, Inc:

Federal Mileage Rate:	\$0.67/mile
Principal:	\$220.00
Project Manager:	\$170.00
Project Professional:	\$135.00
Assistant Professional:	\$115.00
Designer:	\$100.00
CAD Operator:	\$75.00
Administrative/Clerical:	\$75.00
Surveyor:	\$115.00
Construction Services:	\$85.00

Oak Creek Engineering:

Professional Engineer:	\$140.00
Bridge Inspection Team:	\$110.00
Registered Land Surveyor:	\$120.00
Project Manager:	\$110.00
Design/Survey Technician:	\$85.00
Bridge Inspection Tech:	\$85.00
CAD Drafter:	\$70.00
Observation Resident:	\$70.00
Lab Testing:	Direct Expense
Mileage:	Prevailing IRS Rate
Reproduction:	At cost

The on-call engineering services bids were discussed. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to accept all bids for January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024; with the option to contract services from either company. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Pavelka; Nay: None. Motion carried.

The claims were distributed for review and discussion.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Shaw to approve the claims that were presented and authorize the County Clerk to pay from the appropriate funds. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Shaw, Bitterman, Fintel and Pavelka; Nay: None. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

Employees, Wages	\$140,693.26
Adams County Sheriff	\$18.50
Aflac, Insurance	\$413.85
Aksamit, Cassie, Mileage	\$99.83
ARL Credit Services, Garnishment	\$527.26
Aspegren Repair, Repairs	\$2,182.34
AT & T Mobility, Cell Phones	\$470.89
Barnett, Barb, Mileage	\$76.38
Beyke Signs, Inc., Lettering	\$200.00
Big G Ace, Supplies	\$18.95
Black Hills Energy, Utilities	\$1,738.86

Blome, Cheryl, Supplies	\$75.98
Blue Cross Blue Shield, Insurance	\$2,663.58
Capital Business Systems, Inc., Copier Lease	\$87.47
Carey's Pest Control, Service	\$110.00
Cash-Wa Distributing, Supplies	\$863.46
Central Nebraska Assessor's Assoc., Dues	\$25.00
City of Clay Center, Utilities	\$380.43
Clay County News, Advertising	\$1,289.88
Clay County Sheriff, Service Fees	\$329.60
Clay County Treasurer, Postage	\$198.00
Clay County Treasurer, Transfer to Road Fund	\$138,674.61
Clearly, Phone System	\$433.46
Colonial, Insurance	\$643.65
Corner Market, Supplies	\$1,231.00
Cornerstone Bank, Deductions	\$70,146.96
CPI, Fuel	\$3,579.33
Culligan's of Hastings, Rent	\$83.20
DAS, Services,	\$1,425.55
Diode Technologies, Service	\$305.96
Dollar General, Supplies	\$74.40
Eakes, Supplies	\$1,618.85
Felber, Cara, Mileage	\$37.52
First Concord, Insurance	\$602.50
Flatwater Technologies, Service	\$6,805.25
Friesen Ford, Repairs	\$72.48
Grace's Locksmith, Keys	\$7.00
Hamilton County Treasurer, Vet Services	\$2,291.67
Hansen, Brenda, Mileage	\$118.59
Hometown Leasing, Lease	\$1,292.48
Integrated Security Solutions, Inspections, Fees	\$240.00
Lancaster County Sheriff, Service Fees	\$9.50
Lieske Lieske & Ensz, PC LLO, Attorney Fees	\$253.00
Madison National Life, Insurance	\$320.97
Medica, Health Ins.	\$68,591.42
Medical Air Services Assoc. (MASA), Insurance	\$762.50
Menards, Supplies	\$75.12
Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc., Rent	\$49.00
Mid-America Benefits, Insurance Fees	\$2,711.35
Mid-Nebraska Individual Services, 2nd Qtr.	\$3,052.00
MIPS, Service, Supplies	\$2,998.79
MMC Contractors, Maintenance Agreement	\$1,965.35
NACEB, Dues	\$100.00
Nationwide, Retirement	\$1,525.00
NE Assoc of County Treasurers, Dues	\$50.00
NE Assoc of Emergency Managers, Conference	\$110.00
NE Assoc. of County Clerk, ROD & Elections, Dues	\$50.00
NE District Court Clerks Assoc., Dues	\$50.00
NE Public Health Environmental Lab, Testing	\$105.00
NE State Patrol, License Fees	\$532.00
NE Weed Control Assoc., Training	\$150.00
Nebraska Panning & Zoning Assoc., Membership, Registration	\$270.00
Nebraska.gov	\$8.50
Newmyer, Mariah, Mileage	\$40.20
NextLink, Internet	\$28.50
Norfolk Lodge & Suites, Lodging	\$218.98
Pavelka, James, Mileage	\$134.67
Phelps County Sheriff, Inmate Holding	\$395.00
Pitney Bowes, Lease agreement	\$801.78
Platte Valley Communications of Hastings, Supplies	\$16,815.63
Quality Sound & Communications, Rental	\$147.00

Quill Corporation, Supplies	\$162.96
Ribeiro, Matheus, Mileage	\$99.16
Robbins, Isaiah, Supplies	\$34.96
Secretary of State, Title 177	\$20.00
Skalka, Baack & Fiala Law Firm, Attorney Fees	\$2,458.32
South Central Public Power Dist., Utilities	\$1,990.45
Sullivan Shoemaker, Public Defender	\$2,600.00
Sutton Auto Supply, Supplies	\$71.23
Sutton Electric, Repairs	\$140.00
Sutton Lumber, Supplies	\$31.40
Sutton Memorial Chapel, Transfer	\$425.00
Sutton Pharmacy, Supplies	\$31.99
Unite Private Network LLC, Internet	\$1,606.00
US Bank, Supplies	\$149.19
US Cellular, Phones	\$127.78
Vision Service Plan (CT), Vision	\$499.28
Webster County Sheriff, Service Fees	\$50.00
Windstream, Service	\$658.63
Wood/Aitkens, Attorney Fees	\$1,161.00
Woodward's, Garbage	\$382.50
Wurdeman, Terrance, Reimbursement	\$77.40
Zelle, Human Resource Solutions, Consulting Services, Mileage	\$4,759.96

ROAD FUND

Employees, Wages	\$66,923.81
Action Auto Supply-Sutton, Supplies	\$285.71
Aflac, Insurance	\$1,696.74
American Fence Co, Repairs	\$248.36
Auca, Supplies	\$693.84
Aurora Cooperative, Fuel	\$5,806.93
Barbee Hills Farms Corporation, Right of Way	\$1,080.00
Bauer Built Inc., Repairs	\$2,222.27
Beck's Farm Equipment, Supplies	\$5,176.62
Black Hills Energy, Utilities	\$2,507.13
Blue Cross Blue Shield, Insurance	\$283.86
C & M Supply Inc., Fuel	\$771.00
Card Services, Supplies	\$145.51
City of Clay Center, Utilities	\$111.03
City of Edgar, Utilities	\$71.00
City of Fairfield, Utilities	\$87.22
City of Harvard, Utilities	\$74.50
City of Sutton, Utilities	\$153.71
Clay County News, Advertising	\$61.51
Colonial, Insurance	\$450.40
Cornerstone Bank, Deductions	\$34,135.17
Cornhusker Cleaning, Supplies	\$937.22
CPI, Fuel	\$12,461.99
Deweese Sand & Gravel, Gravel	\$7,733.08
Dollar General, Supplies	\$41.25
Eakes, Supplies	\$513.09
Extreme Transfer LLC., Parts & Labor	\$986.95
Fastenal Company, Supplies	\$84.00
Filter Care of Nebraska, Supplies	\$175.65
First Concord, Insurance	\$275.00
Flatwater Technologies, Service	\$118.75
Fleetpride, Repairs	\$115.05
Friesen Auto, Repairs	\$7,866.43
George Bro's Propane, Fuel	\$25,271.22
George's 66 Service, Fuel	\$2,849.73
Hamilton Telephone, Internet	\$74.95
Island Landhandlers, Inc., Gravel	\$19,515.76

Island Supply Welding Co., Supplies	\$1,536.96
John Deere Financial (Landmark), Parts & Labor	\$985.22
Kully Pipe & Steel Supply Inc., Supplies	\$3,391.40
LCL Truck Equipment, Parts	\$784.95
Lindberg Family Trust, Right of Way	\$2,000.00
Madison National Life, Insurance	\$23.76
Matheson Tri-Gas, Supplies	\$819.66
Medica, Insurance	\$1,800.00
Menards, Supplies	\$473.50
Mid-Nebraska Aggregate Inc., Gravel	\$6,001.34
Miller Tire Pro's & Service, Repairs	\$3,427.97
MIPS, Service	\$131.92
Moore Electric, Repairs	\$100.00
Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co., Inc., Parts	\$1,385.05
Napa Auto Parts, Supplies	\$579.32
Nationwide, Retirement	\$350.00
Nebraska Truck Center, Parts	\$294.27
NMC Exchange, Repairs	\$3,066.05
Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc, Fuel	\$361.55
Olsson, Engineer Services	\$4,004.14
Onken, Benjamin, Snow Removal	\$9,787.50
Pavelka Truck & Trailer Repair, Parts	\$20.16
Petro Plus Inc., Service	\$135.00
Plains Excavating LLC, Snow Removal	\$6,112.00
Platte Valley Communications, Service	\$1,403.55
Platte Valley Equipment, Equipment	\$12,500.00
R& K Service, Fuel	\$3,396.45
Richweld Fabrication, Repairs	\$110.00
Sarah Dasher, Cleaning	\$300.00
Sidump'r, Supplies	\$929.77
Sioux City Tarp, Supplies	\$125.80
South Central Public Power Dist., Utilities	\$620.83
Southern Power Dist., Utilities	\$139.97
Superior Implement Inc., Supplies	\$607.00
Surplus Property, Supplies	\$500.00
Sutton Auto, Parts, Supplies	\$1,805.85
Sutton Lumber, Supplies	\$29.01
Theis Inspection Services LLC, Inspection	\$2,372.76
Truck Center Companies, Repairs	\$2,709.56
Village of Trumbull, Utilities	\$89.00
Vision Service Plan (CT), Vision	\$247.50
Windstream, Service, Internet	\$600.05
Woodward's, Garbage	\$75.00

ROD PM FUND

Aksamit, Cassie, Supplies	213.98
MIPS, Service, Supplies	\$499.66

HEALTH FUND

Employees, Wages	\$9,095.90
Anderson, Leslie, Mileage	\$59.63
Blue Cross Blue Shield, Insurance	\$50.46
Clay County News, Advertising	\$142.67
Colonial, Insurance	\$190.59
Cornerstone Bank, Deductions	\$3,925.04
Culligan's of Hastings, Rent	\$36.00
First Concord, Insurance	\$250.00
Esmeralda Flores, Interpreter	\$100.00
Jensen, Donna, Mileage	\$206.36
Madison National Life, Insurance	\$14.20
Sara Marshall, Mileage	\$89.78
Medica, Insurance	\$400.00

Nationwide, Insurance		\$100.00
NRG Media - Grand Island, Advertising		\$6,720.00
US Bank, Supplies		\$435.66
	911 FUND	
Black Hills Energy, Utilities		\$184.35
Glenwood, Internet		\$127.11
Nemaha County Sheriff, SE 911 Insurance		\$55.44
South Central Public Power Dist., Utilities		\$87.53
Superior iNet, Internet		\$89.99
	E911 FUND	
GEOComm, Service		\$3,952.00
Century Link dba Lumen, Internet		\$1,154.75
Windstream, Service, Internet		\$1,217.64
	MISCELLANEOUS SINKING FUND	
Andrew Malone , Painting		\$11,113.00
Sutton Electric, Remodel		\$2,182.35

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Bitterman to adjourn this meeting at 10:40 A.M.; next regular meeting scheduled for March 12, 2024. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Bitterman, Fintel, Shaw and Pavelka; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk

James Pavelka, Vice-Chairman