



# Clay County Board Minutes



## COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met December 11, 2018, as per public notice given in the Clay County News on December 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, Schmidt, Shaw and Nuss. Minutes of the meeting held November 27, 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 Schmidt and seconded by Shaw to approve the minutes of the meeting held November 27, 2018 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Shaw and Fintel; abstain: Samuelson and Nuss. Motion carried.

There was no Public Input.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent reported that they were cutting trees, working around the shops and moving snow. The house on the property the county purchased is gone and the property has been cleaned up.

The Road work report was presented. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to approve the Highway Superintendent's road work report for the month of November 2018. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Todd Palmer, NDOT presented information and answered questions from the board, Tom and the public. Crossing lights and gates were discussed. Because the setback for the lights and gates would be so far from the tracks, there is concern that slow moving equipment could get caught between the gates. This would be a million dollar option and still not provide the safety needed. Squaring up or re-routing the road were other options that were discussed. There is a possibility that there would be money available for up to 95% of the cost. Tom will work with the engineer to prepare information and Todd will work on his end to get some answers and information. Todd will come back at a later date to discuss the options.

Ted Griess, County Attorney told the board that he is still working on an alternative to the Interlocal agreement that he had received from Adams County concerning mental health board costs. Lot 10 Block 5 Original Town of Saronville is property the County acquired on a tax sale. It is in the middle of property owned by someone else and they have expressed interest in obtaining that lot. The Board asked Ted to do some checking and then proceed with the process of selling it. Ted told the board that there will be a notice in the paper for the vacancy on the Board of Supervisors in District 6.



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Chairman Nuss went into the main hall and announced the board was going into executive session.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Fintel to enter into executive session at 9:48 A.M. to discuss a possible lawsuit. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Anderson to go out of executive session and resume regular session at 9:57 A.M. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Nuss. Motion carried.

Kirk Hopkins, BTS and Brandon Schmidt, Unite Private Networks discussed Clearly SIP trunks as an option for phone service. This works best with fiber optics internet. This service would be a little less than Windstream per month but internet cost would be more. The Board will discuss this at the next meeting.

The fee reports were circulated for review. Motion by Anderson and seconded by Fintel to accept the fee reports for the following county officials for the month of November 2018: County Clerk, \$4,241.40, County Court \$9,131.86, Clerk of District Court, \$4,535.99, County Sheriff, \$1,788.74 and County Treasurer receipts #18110001 through #18110051 in the amount of \$153,633.08. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Shaw and Nuss. Motion carried.

The Auto Fleet, Inland Marine, and Building & Contents Schedules were received from NIRMA. These were reviewed by the Clerk and Highway Supt. The report was also emailed to the County Sheriff and County Board.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to authorize the chairman to sign the Auto Fleet, Inland Marine, and Building & Contents Schedules. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Shaw, Fintel and Nuss. Motion carried.

Appointments to the Midland Area Agency on Aging were discussed. The Board feels that continuation of representation is important at this time. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Samuelson to appoint Mike Anderson as the Alternate and Gerald Schmidt as the Board of Supervisors representative on the Midland Area Agency on Aging board for a term of one year from December 2018. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Nuss; abstain: Anderson. Motion carried.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to adjourn this meeting at 11:05 A.M.; next meeting scheduled for December 18, 2018. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Anderson and Nuss. Motion carried.

Deborah Karnatz, County Clerk

Todd Nuss, Chairman