



Clay County Board Minutes



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, January 15, 2019 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met January 15, 2019 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on January 9, 2019 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. Vice Chairman Schmidt presided with roll call showing the following present: Fintel, Samuelson, Pavelka, Bitterman, Johnson, Shaw and Schmidt. Minutes of the meeting held December 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.

Vice Chairman, Gerald Schmidt stated that the open meeting law poster is posted on the west wall in the back of the room. He welcomed the new members who were elected and appointed.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Samuelson to approve the minutes of the meeting held December 27, 2018 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Pavelka, Bitterman, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel; abstain: Schmidt. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw there being no further old business, to adjourn the business meeting for the year 2018, Sine Die. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Bitterman, Johnson, Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson and Schmidt. Motion carried.

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

Ballots were spread for election of the Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors with the following results: Fintel 6 and Schmidt 1. Motion by Johnson and seconded by Shaw that the informal ballot be made formal and declare Ivan Fintel Chairman for the year 2019. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson, Pavelka, Bitterman and Schmidt; abstain: Fintel. Motion carried.

Ballots were spread for election of the Vice-Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors with the following results: Schmidt 5 and Samuelson 2. Motion by Johnson and seconded by Samuelson that the informal ballot be made formal and declare Gerald Schmidt Vice Chairman for the year 2019. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Fintel, Samuelson, Pavelka, Bitterman and Johnson; abstain: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Roll call was taken by the newly elected Chairman to commence business for the 2019 year showing the following present: Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel. Motion carried.

The board discussed the various governing boards they are on and explained a little bit about each one for the new members.



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Motion by Shaw and seconded by Pavelka to appoint Eric Samuelson to serve on the Mid-Nebraska Individual Services, Inc. board with Gerald Schmidt as alternate. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman and Fintel; abstain: Samuelson. Motion carried.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Bitterman to appoint Ivan Fintel to serve on the Region 3 Mental Health board with James Pavelka as alternate. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson and Bitterman; abstain: Pavelka and Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Schmidt to appoint Bruce Rumsey to serve on the Trailblazer RC & D board with Scott Bitterman as alternate. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Samuelson, Pavelka and Fintel; abstain: Bitterman. Motion carried. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Schmidt to appoint L. Wayne Johnson to serve as alternate on the Clay County Health Board (Dick Shaw is currently the representative serving a 3 year term). On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt and Fintel; abstain: Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Pavelka to appoint L. Wayne Johnson to serve on the LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee) with Gerald Schmidt as alternate. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka and Fintel; abstain: Schmidt and Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Shaw to appoint Eric Samuelson to serve on the South Heartland District Health board with Scott Bitterman as alternate. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel; abstain: Bitterman and Samuelson. 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 Pavelka to appoint Barb Barnett to represent Clay County on the South Central Economic Development District board with Gerald Schmidt as alternate for the year 2019. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Pavelka, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman and Fintel; abstain: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Bitterman to appoint Deb Karnatz as NIRMA contact person for 2019. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Bitterman to designate the Clay County News as the county's official newspaper for 2019. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka and Fintel. Motion carried.

Designation of the broadcast media for Clay County was discussed. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Pavelka to designate KHAS and KKOP radio stations and KSNBC



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Nebraska TV station as licensed broadcast media for 2019. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt and Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Bitterman 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: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson and Fintel. Motion carried.

The Treasurer submitted a list of banks that are available to hold the deposits and CD's for Clay County. Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Johnson that the following banks be named as holding agencies for county funds for the year 2019: 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: Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Pavelka to re-appoint Thomas Roemmich II, as Highway Superintendent for the year 2019. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman and Fintel. Motion carried.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent reported on snow removal over the weekend. VanKirk's have started on the box culverts. The Railroad crossing by Inland was discussed. The landowners have been contacted. Tom will check into possible signage for that area while waiting to hear from the landowners. Tom explained a little bit about the 1 & 6 year road plan and the bidding process for gravel to the new board members. 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 29th.

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

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Shaw to advertise the public hearing for the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan to be held on February 12, 2019 at 9:15 A.M. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka and Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Pavelka to advertise for gravel bids to supply gravel for the county roads for the year 2019; bids to be opened on Feb. 19, 2019 at 9:15 A.M. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt and Fintel. Motion carried.

Fintel left the meeting at 10:20 A.M.

Brandon Schmidt, Unite Private Networks presented the Service Order for Lit Services to get started with the fiber optic project. Brandon explained the process and answered questions.



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Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Bitterman to authorize the vice chairman to sign the Service Order for Lit Services – (18-21058). On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Johnson and Schmidt; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

The semi-annual statement from the County Treasurer was reviewed. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Pavelka to accept the semi-annual statement from July 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018 as presented by the County Treasurer. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Johnson, Shaw and Schmidt; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

Laurie Sheridan, Clay County Health Department Director had emailed that Kelli Griess had agreed to serve a second term on that board.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Shaw to re-appoint Kelli Griess to the Clay County Health Board for an additional three year term beginning October 2018 and ending October 2021. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Bitterman, Pavelka, Johnson, Shaw and Schmidt; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

The Fee Reports were distributed. Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Johnson to approve the fee reports for the following county officials for the month of December 2018: County Clerk \$13,337.50; County Court \$4,602.93; Clerk of District Court \$15,811.97; Sheriff's fees \$11,838.88 and County Treasurer receipts numbered 18120001 through 18120041 in the amount of \$168,274.05. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Samuelson, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, and Schmidt; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

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

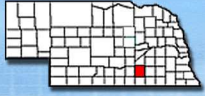
Because there was open time on the agenda, the board moved up the Weed Control Board.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Bitterman to recess at 11:24 A.M. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka and Schmidt; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Pavelka to enter session as the Weed Control Board at 11:25 A.M. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Johnson and Schmidt; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Johnson to re-appoint Bruce Rumsey as the Weed Superintendent for 2019. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Johnson, Shaw and Schmidt; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

Copies of the Activity Report for 2018, the Noxious Weed Control Plan for 2019, 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.



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Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Johnson to recess at 11:48 A.M. as the Weed Control Board. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Pavelka, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman and Schmidt; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Bitterman to resume session as the Board of Supervisors at 11:49 A.M. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Schmidt; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

Ted Griess, County Attorney was unable to meet with the Board but Deputy County Attorney, Jennifer Fleischer was present and reported that two properties were being sold this afternoon.

There was no public input.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Johnson to adjourn this meeting at 11:54 A.M.; next regular meeting scheduled for January 22, 2019. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka and Schmidt; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

Deb Karnatz, County Clerk

Ivan Fintel, Chairman
Gerald Schmidt, Vice Chairman