

Clay County Board Minutes



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, January 28, 2020 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met January 28, 2020 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on January 22, 2020 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 Fintel presided with roll call showing the following present: Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel. Minutes of the meeting held January 21, 2020 were mailed to the board members. All of the proceeding's hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman, Ivan Fintel stated that the open meeting law poster is posted on the west wall in the back of the room. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Pavelka to approve the minutes of the meeting held January 21, 2020 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel. Motion carried.

There was no Public Input.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent reported on trees being cut/trimmed, work being done to get ready for a bridge and work on the bad roads is being done as much as possible when weather permits. Discussion was done about the road being damaged by excessive semi-trucks traveling on the Harvard Airport Road hauling spoiled grain from Sedan and making it dangerous for some vehicles to travel on. Consensus was to see if there would be options to have road repairs paid for by the entity's involved in the hauling of the spoiled grain.

Tom went over his preliminary 1 & 6 Year Road Plan.

Ted Griess, County Attorney answered questions the Board and Tom had about the damaged Harvard road. Ted was asked to contact Aurora Coop and all other parties involved to see if anything could be done to pay for the approximated materials it would cost to repair the road.

Tim Lewis, Emergency Manager reported on future meetings for preparedness in the State and Counties of Nebraska, the Radio tower project and a new cell tower being constructed in Harvard. He was asked to install a security camera on the back side of the courthouse to monitor the new election drop box. Tim had problems with his Windstream EM Acct at his new location. The board directed him to pay it and will be reimbursed at claim time.

Mike Carroll, Custodian discussed the sidewalk west of courthouse that needs repairs and surrounding sidewalks that get hazardous from ice, that are in constant need of ice melt. Mike noticed a storage room on the first floor has water damage on a wall. Mike is to contact Olson Associates to see if it's possible water could be coming in from the front step lines.



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Rachel Mclain, Senior Services reported that a quote was received from BTS and they decided to stay with Windstream for their phone. She asked if the fiber optic coming into the building included internet and if it was possible for them to use it. The board said that she could, and Tim Lewis will help her when it's up and running.

Recommendations for reappointments and new appointments was forwarded to the Board prior to this meeting.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded Pavelka by to reappoint Barb Barnett, Mark Bailey and Jim Fitzgerald to the Clay County 911 committee for two-year terms; beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2022. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman and Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Shaw to appoint Haley Sintek-Roemmich to the Clay County 911 committee as a citizen member for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2022. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Bitterman to appoint Kelly Lovgren to the Clay County 911 committee as an alternate for Sheriff Franklin for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2022. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samueson, Pavelka and Fintel. Motion carried.

Documents from Clearfly were received and explained the details. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Schmidt to authorize the chairman to sign the rate sheet for additional SIP trunks to run for additional phones. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt and Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Shaw to adjourn this meeting at 11:08 A.M; next meeting scheduled for February 11, 2020. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson and Fintel. Motion carried.

Some of the board members went to the Jail for the quarterly visit after adjournment.

Danalee Nelson, Deputy County Clerk

Ivan Fintel, Chairman