



Clay County Board Minutes



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, August 11, 2020 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met August 11, 2020, as per public notice given in the Clay County News on August 5, 2020. 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. The meeting was held at the Activities Building at the Clay County Fairgrounds located at 705 N. Martin Ave., Clay Center, NE 68933. Chairman Fintel presided with roll call showing the following present Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel. Minutes of the meeting held July 28, 2020 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, Ivan Fintel stated that the open meeting law act is available on the table by the entrance.

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Bitterman to approve the minutes of the meeting held July 28, 2020 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman and Fintel. Motion carried.

All information being discussed was emailed to the Board prior to the meeting and available to the public upon request.

There was no public input.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent reported on work on Road K. The crew is working on culverts by Edgar and then will move to the Spring Ranch area.

The Notice of Award for the Road F Bridge Project was received from Olsson for the chairman's signature. Motion by Johnson and seconded by Samuelson to authorize the chairman to sign the Notice of Award with Diamond Engineering Co. for Clay County Bridge Project #C-18 (310). On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Fintel. Motion carried.

Charlie Rudeen from Nebraska Machinery Company presented the documents for the skid steer lease. The lease is for 2020 skid steer with the same terms as last year.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Pavelka to authorize the chairman to sign the Sales Agreement, Repurchase Agreement and Governmental Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement with NMC and Caterpillar Financial Services for lease of a 2020 262D skid steer for \$4,400.00 for another year. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka and Fintel. Motion carried.

A concern with a township road was discussed while the county attorney was present.



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Ted Griess, County Attorney told the Board he had talked to the State Patrol about moving the 911 Center. He suggested to Tim Lewis, EM that he contact West Point to see what processes they had to go through in establishing their communications center.

Barb Barnett, Zoning Administrator reported that the committee to study and gather information for solar regulations is working on definitions and other details. There are no projects of this size in Nebraska so they are having to go out of state for some clarifications. Supervisor Johnson suggested having Wayne Williams from Central City, someone from South Central Public Power and someone from APEX come to a Board meeting.

Barb presented names for reappointment to the Board of Adjustment. Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Pavelka to reappoint Lynn Lipovsky and Wayne Peshek to the Clay County Zoning Board of Adjustments for a three year term that will begin September 1, 2020 and expire on August 31, 2023. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt and Fintel. Motion carried.

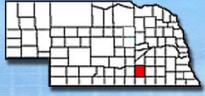
Robin Gilbert, County Treasurer presented information on distress warrants returned by the sheriff unsatisfied and answered questions. She will talk to the County Attorney about striking some of the unpaid taxes.

The fee reports were emailed to the Board prior to this meeting. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Bitterman to accept the fee reports for the following county officials for the month of July 2020: County Clerk, \$17,557.50, County Court, \$12,298.11, Clerk of District Court, \$37,188.00, Sheriff, \$1,527.04 and County Treasurer receipts 20070001 thru 20070046 in the amount of \$223,675.62. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson and Fintel. Motion carried.

The County Assessor had submitted a list of items that need to be declared as surplus. Motion by Johnson and seconded by Pavelka to declare as surplus 3 steelcase leap chairs from the Assessor's office. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel. Motion carried.

The requests from the townships, fire districts and Ag society for preliminary levy requests were presented and discussed. The levy requests were: **Fire Districts:** Clay Center Rural General \$26,926.00, Sinking \$17,405.00; Edgar Rural General \$54,817.20 Sinking \$53,117.76; Fairfield Rural General \$38,360.00 Sinking \$18,190.00; Harvard Rural General \$41,576.42; Sutton Rural General \$62,180.73; Trumbull Rural General \$31,940.00 Sinking \$20,775.00; Bond \$33,682.50. **Townships:** Edgar \$10,789.25; Eldorado \$6,090.00; Fairfield \$6,018.00; Glenvil \$10,398.65; Harvard \$9,516.60; Inland \$7,319.17; Leicester \$8,500.00; Lewis \$13,121.97; Logan \$9,618.33; Lone Tree \$3,130.15; Lynn \$5,134.85; Marshall \$6,847.79; School Creek \$8,063.00; Sheridan \$8,955.00; Spring Ranch \$12,484.71; Sutton \$11,850.23. **Clay County Ag Society** \$178,556.77.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Shaw to approve the preliminary requests for levy allocation from the Fire Districts, Townships and the Clay County Agricultural Society. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman and Fintel. Motion carried.



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Motion by Johnson and seconded by Bitterman to adjourn this meeting at 10:30 AM; next meeting scheduled for August 18, 2020 and will be held at the Activities Building at the Fairgrounds. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Fintel. Motion carried.

Deb Karnatz, County Clerk

Ivan Fintel, Chairman