

## Clay County Board Minutes



## COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, August 18, 2020 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met August 18, 2020, as per public notice given in the Clay County News on August 12, 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. Vice Chairman Johnson presided with roll call showing the following present Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Shaw and Johnson; absent: Fintel. Minutes of the meeting held August 11, 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.

Vice Chairman, L. Wayne Johnson 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 Bitterman and seconded by Schmidt to approve the minutes of the meeting held August 11, 2020 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson; absent: 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; putting rock and gravel on before moving to another area. The pre-construction meeting for the bridge project is tomorrow. The motor grader will be delivered sometime between Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> and Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. The backhoe is the next piece of equipment that will need to be replaced, probably sometime next year.

The Contract and Notice to Proceed was received from Olsson for the chairman's signature. Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Shaw to authorize the vice chairman to sign the Contract documents and Notice to Proceed for Clay County Bridge Replacement Project C18 (310). On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Johnson; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

The Road Foreman is needing a new pickup. His will be passed down to the culvert crew. Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Bitterman to advertise for a pickup for the road department; bids to be opened on September 15, 2020 at 9:15 A.M. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka and Johnson; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

Ted Griess, County Attorney reported that the case load is getting heavier due to more felony drug cases. The logistics of having a jury trial was discussed.



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Jeff Franklin, County Sheriff reported on inmate transports, a medical bill that was received, getting electricity to another building and testing and training of the breath analysis machine.

Jorge Zamudio, Midwest Plastering discussed work that he sees needing to be done. He recommended doing waterproofing, tuck pointing, brick and concrete work on the outside of the courthouse first; mainly on the northside. He also explained the process for the work needed on the inside.

Tim Lewis, Emergency Manager presented the preliminary budget request for the Communications Center and the revised 911 budget.

Bruce Rumsey, has told the Board of his intent to retire at the end of the year. The Board has decided to advertise for that position so that Bruce can do some training before he leaves. It was decided to discuss this at the next meeting. The Clerk reported that Gene Ulmer, CPA would like to have the budget hearing on September 8<sup>th</sup> since he is unavailable on September 15<sup>th</sup>. This would mean meeting dates in September would need to be changed. The Board decided to change the meeting dates in September to September 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. The meetings will continue to be held at the Activities Building through September.

HVAC committee reported that they are still waiting to hear from a company. They also need to check on warranties if someone new does the maintenance on the courthouse system.

Wayne Williams has been asked to come to the next meeting to speak on the subject of solar energy/projects.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Bitterman to adjourn this meeting at 11:00 AM; next meeting scheduled for August 25, 2020 and will be held at the Activities Building at the Fairgrounds. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt and Johnson; absent: Fintel. Motion carried.

Deb Karnatz, County Clerk

L. Wayne Johnson, Vice Chairman