



Clay County Board Minutes



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, October 12, 2021 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met October 12, 2021 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on October 6, 2021 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 L. Wayne Johnson presided with roll call showing the following present: Scott Bitterman, James Pavelka, Gerald Schmidt, and L. Wayne Johnson; absent: Eric Samuelson, Ivan Fintel and Dick Shaw. Minutes of the meeting held September 28, 2021 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, L. Wayne Johnson 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 Schmidt and seconded by Bitterman to approve the minutes of the meeting held September 28, 2021 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Bitterman and Johnson; absent Samuelson, Fintel and Shaw. Motion carried.

There was no Public Input.

The chairman invited Chris Slocum to speak before conducting business with the highway superintendent. Mr. Slocum introduced himself and announced he will be a candidate for County Sheriff. He has been in law enforcement for 16 years with the last 10 as a State Patrol trooper. He will have a website up shortly.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent reported that work on Road X is done and the road is now open. The last railing on the bridge by Harvard is being poured today. The motor grader should be here within the next two weeks. They will be hauling dirt and shredding the asphalt roads. They will get salt from Kansas this week.

There was open space on the agenda and Leann Trausch was present and wanted to speak with the board. She wanted the board to be aware of the executive order that mandates federal workers to be vaccinated for COVID 19 and how that will impact the county.

Mike Carroll, Custodian presented a proposal for the boiler/chiller maintenance from MMC Contractors. The agreement is for 1 year. Mike also discussed repair work on the 3rd floor.

Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Schmidt to authorize the chairman to sign the Maintenance Agreement with MMC for maintenance on HVAC system. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Bitterman, Pavelka and Johnson; absent: Samuelson, Fintel and Shaw. Motion carried.

Jennifer Reiman, Glenwood Telecommunications representative gave an update on the grant application. Glenwood is partnering with South Central Public Power District and has filed for the funding. The grant won't be awarded until January 4, 2022.

The Fee Reports had been emailed to the Board prior to the meeting. Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Pavelka to approve the fee reports for the following county officials for the month of September 2021: County Clerk \$13,858.25; County Court \$10,824.93; Clerk of District Court \$8,824.00; County Sheriff \$2,356.40 and County Treasurer receipts numbered 21090001



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through 21090039 in the amount of \$274,097.10. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Pavelka, Schmidt and Johnson; absent: Samuelson, Fintel and Shaw. Motion carried.

Information from First Concord Benefits Group explaining a change in policy. Initially the county had the choice of paying employees directly or paying providers directly for the deductible buydown plan. They are discontinuing the option to pay the providers and beginning November 1, 2021 will be sending the county's portion of the deductible directly to the employees.

Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Schmidt to authorize the chairman to sign the addendum to the First Concord Administrative Agreement for HRA health insurance deductible buy down services to make payment directly to plan members as necessary. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Bitterman and Johnson; absent: Samuelson, Fintel and Shaw. Motion carried.

The MASA Medical Transport Solutions employer benefit agreement has been received. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Schmidt to authorize the chairman to sign the Employer Benefit Agreement from MASA Medical Transport Solutions. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Bitterman, Pavelka and Johnson; absent: Samuelson, Fintel and Shaw. Motion carried.

The Cost Allocation Plan that was prepared by WJE Consulting LLC was discussed. Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Bitterman to authorize the chairman to sign the Certificate of Cost Allocation Plan. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Pavelka, Schmidt and Johnson; absent: Samuelson, Fintel and Shaw. Motion carried.

After the meeting, three of the Board members made the quarterly visit to the jail.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Pavelka to adjourn this meeting at 10:46 A.M.; next regular meeting scheduled for October 19, 2021. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Bitterman and Johnson; absent: Samuelson, Fintel and Shaw. Motion carried.

Deb Karnatz, Clay County Clerk

L. Wayne Johnson, Chairman