



Clay County Board Minutes



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, June 28, 2022 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met June 28, 2022 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on June 22, 2022 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, Eric Samuelson, James Pavelka, Gerald Schmidt, Ivan Fintel, Dick Shaw and L. Wayne Johnson. Minutes of the meeting held June 21, 2022 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 Pavelka and seconded by Bitterman to approve the minutes of the meeting held June 21, 2022 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson. Motion carried.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent reported that work on Road X is almost complete; Tom has received information for the gravel cost from Logan Township – Tom and the Board discussed gravel options to consider for the future; the Board and Tom will have future discussions to see if the County could eventually get a gravel pit of their own to help make the cost of gravel affordable for the townships.

An easement request from Viaero Fiber Networks, LLC to bore a fiber optic line was received and discussed. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to approve the easement request from Viaero Fiber Networks, LLC to bore a fiber optic line along Road Q from NE ¼ of 9-5-6 to SE ¼ of 9-5-6, crossing over Road 305 to the NE ¼ of 16-5-6 to SE ¼ of 16-5-6, crossing over Road 304 to NE ¼ of 21-5-6 to SE ¼ of 21-5-6, crossing over Road 303 to NE ¼ of 28-5-6 to SE ¼ of 28-5-6, along Road 302 to NW ¼ of 34-5-6 to NE ¼ of 34-5-6. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Johnson. Motion carried.

Tom asked for a motion to advertise for a public hearing. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Bitterman to advertise for a public hearing to be held August 16, 2022 at 9:15 A.M. for the purpose of vacating streets and alleys in Eldorado and Verona. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka and Johnson. Motion carried.

Michele Bever, South Heartland Health Department Executive Director gave the Board an annual update and an overview of the 2019-2014 Community Health Priorities Project and that on July 16th the 988 Help Line will be live nationally. Michele provided the Board with information regarding the funding and focus of the Department. The Board asked Michele if the Department can focus on finding housing options for the 4 county residents that are utilizing the Department services to help keep our jails open



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and available for criminals and less mental health holds due to lack of housing for the same.

John Lyons, County Attorney joined the meeting and gave his insight on how the County can proceed with looking for an option to having a county gravel pit and/or storage location.

Greg Shuck, Weed Superintendent presented his monthly report and the preliminary budget request for his department.

Gene Ulmer, County CPA joined the meeting to assist with discussions regarding the budget requests of the county departments.

Tim Lewis, Emergency Manager presented the preliminary budget request for the following funds: Emergency Management office, Communications Center, 911, E911 and 911 Holding. Tim also advised the Board that he has a communications vendor coming to meet with the 911 Committee in July regarding the radio frequency issues.

Robin Gilbert, County Treasurer presented a resolution for a new pledge. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Pavelka to adopt Resolution #22-13 for security pledge CUSIP #421065764 for \$500,000.00 through Waypoint Bank, Clay Center, NE acting as a depositor for Clay County and authorize the chairman to sign. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt and Johnson. Motion carried.

Robin presented information on Tax Sales Certificates and parcels of real estate that were not sold at the public tax sale in March 2022. Robin requested that the Board approve a list of parcels of real estate in Clay County on which taxes are delinquent and were not sold for want of bidders at the last annual public tax sale. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Fintel to approve the list of parcels with tax sale certificates #22-01 through 22-36 as recommended by the County Treasurer. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Fintel and Johnson. Motion carried.

Robin also presented information of Tax Sale Certificates which were issued on delinquent taxes. These taxes were unpaid as of June 28, 2022. The Treasurer's office is requesting that the Board of Supervisors instruct the county attorney to start foreclosure proceedings on the properties.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Fintel to direct the County Attorney to start foreclosure proceedings on 2019 County Tax Sales numbered #19-04, 19-06, 19-12, 19-13, 19-14, 19-22, 19-23, 19-34, 19-35, 19-36 and 19-37 as recommended by the County Treasurer. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson. Motion carried.

An Administrative Agreement Conditional Cash Out Option with First Concord was reviewed and discussed. Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Bitterman to authorize the chairman to sign the Administrative Agreement Conditional Cash Out Option with First Concord Benefits Group to administer the cash in lieu of medical benefits program. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson. Motion carried.



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The preliminary budget for the County Attorney was submitted and discussed.

The remainder of the claims were distributed for review and discussion.

Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Shaw to approve the remainder of the claims that were presented and authorize the County Clerk to pay from the appropriate funds. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson.
Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

AFLAC, Insurance	\$531.24
Black Hills Energy, Utilities	166.75
Blue Cross Blue Shield, Ins.	83,129.57
Collection Associates, Garnishments	309.95
Colonial Life, Ins	527.96
Cornerstone Bank, Withholdings & Retirement	57,685.45
Credit Management, Garnishments	552.48
First Concord Benefits Group, Sec. 125	7,700.56
Madison National Life, Ins.	172.65
Nationwide, 457 Plan	475.00
Vision Service Plan (CT), Vision	453.52

ROAD FUND

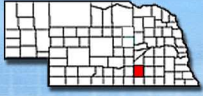
AFLAC, Insurance	\$1,248.47
Blue Cross Blue Shield, Ins.	2,323.80
Colonial Life, Ins	548.04
Cornerstone Bank, Withholdings & Retirement	29,134.57
First Concord Benefits Group, Sec. 125	325.00
Madison National Life, Ins.	50.74
Nationwide, 457 Plan	350.00
Vision Service Plan (CT), Vision	199.33

HEALTH FUND

Blue Cross Blue Shield, Ins.	\$260.98
Colonial, Ins	190.59
Cornerstone Bank, Withholdings & Retirement	4,069.81
First Concord Benefits Group, Sec. 125	250.00
Madison National Life, Ins.	14.20
Nationwide, 457 Plan	100.00
Vision Service Plan (CT), Vision	28.17

WEED FUND

AFLAC, Insurance	\$52.78
Blue Cross Blue Shield, Ins.	250.46
Cornerstone Bank, Withholdings & Retirement	2,134.19
First Concord Benefits Group, Sec. 125	50.00
Nationwide, 457 Plan	270.00



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Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Pavelka to adjourn this meeting at 11:59 A.M.; next regular meeting scheduled for July 12, 2022. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Johnson. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk

L. Wayne Johnson, Chairman