



Clay County Board Minutes



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, August 30, 2022 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met August 30, 2022 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on August 24, 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 August 23, 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 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 Fintel and seconded by Pavelka to approve the minutes of the meeting held August 23, 2022 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw; abstain: Bitterman and Johnson. Motion carried.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent advised the Board that he is looking for a tree shredder and will keep them up to date on what he finds; Jeff Palik with Olsson was unable to attend today's meeting; two easements were presented to the Board prior to the meeting.

Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Samuelson to approve the request from Glenwood Telecommunications, Inc to bury fiber optic cable from the SW Corner of Section 36, T7N-R7W, to the SE corner of Section 35, T7N-R7W, boring under Road M and traveling North 170' on Road M. Leaving existing pedestal (LS/41A) and taking a fiber optic cable drop to 1180 Road 313. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Schmidt to approve the request from Windstream Nebraska, LLC to bury copper line by placing new duct, cable and pedestal on South side of RD 325 just East of the driveway of 1151 RD 325. Total footage – 33'. Section 2, T8N-R7W – NW1/4 section. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka and Johnson. Motion carried.

An Agreement between WJE Consulting and Clay County for Professional Consulting Services was presented to the Board for year-end financial data for Fiscal Years 2022, 2023 and 2024 in the amount of \$3,650.00 annually. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to approve the Agreement between WJE Consulting and Clay County for Professional Consulting Services. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt and Johnson. Motion carried.

Two claims for Emergency Management were review and discussed. Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Shaw to approve claim #000501 and #000531 and authorize the clerk to pay from the appropriate funds. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Fintel and Johnson. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

CPI, Fuel	\$1,017.36
Jones Automotive, Parts, Labor	\$587.66



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Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Shaw to approve the following inventories: Supervisor districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7; County owned property; Board of Supervisor's Board Room, Clerk, Assessor, Treasurer, County Court, Clerk of District Court, County Attorney, Veteran Service Officer, Clay County Extension, Zoning, Custodian, Emergency Manager, Communications Center, Health Department, Weed Department, Sheriff's Department and Highway Department and place on file in the County Clerk's office. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka, Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson. Motion carried.

Mike Carroll, Custodian provided the Board with the results of two of the 4 radon tests and the Tillotson proposal was discussed. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to approve the proposal of Tillotson as presented for radon preventative services at the Clay County Courthouse and authorize the Chairman to sign the same. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson; Nay: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk presented the preliminary budget requests for the County Clerk and Election Commissioner budgets.

Preliminary budget requests for: General Fund/Misc., Register of Deeds Preservation & Maintenance Fund, Visitor Promotion, Visitor Improvements, Inheritance Tax, Misc. Sinking, Road Buyback, Road Imp Bond and County Equipment Sinking were submitted and discussed.

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Fintel to advertise the Notice of Budget and Budget Summary Hearing for 2022-2023 as soon as the final numbers are received from the County CPA. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Johnson. Motion carried.

Wages were discussed and it was decided to move forward with the Proposed Compensation Increase for Clay County Departments as presented by the Wage Committee. The County Clerk will work these figures into the Budget and provide the same to the County CPA.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to adjourn this meeting at 10:45 A.M.; next regular meeting scheduled for September 13, 2022. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Pavelka and Johnson. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, Clay County Clerk

L. Wayne Johnson, Chairman