



Clay County Board Minutes



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, November 22, 2022 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met November 22, 2022 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on November 16, 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, James Pavelka, Ivan Fintel, Dick Shaw and L. Wayne Johnson; absent: Eric Samuelson and Gerald Schmidt. Minutes of the meeting held November 15, 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 Fintel to approve the minutes of the meeting held November 15, 2022 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson; absent: Samuelson and Schmidt. Motion carried.

There was no Public Input.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent presented the map of the National Functional Classification System Review and the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Shaw to approve the National Functional Classification System Review and authorize the Chairman to sign the same. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Pavelka and Johnson; absent: Samuelson and Schmidt. Motion carried.

Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Fintel to adopt Resolution #22-27 authorizing the signing of the Year-End Certification and approve the Year-End Certification of the County Highway Superintendent. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Pavelka, Fintel and Johnson; absent: Samuelson and Schmidt. Motion carried. (Resolution on file in the Clerk's office)

Chairman Johnson discussed the need to upgrade the landfill access system in Clay Center. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Pavelka to approve the landfill access system quote from American Fence Company. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson; absent: Samuelson and Schmidt. Motion carried.

An Application for County Burial Financial Affidavit & Agreement was discussed. After review from John Lyons, Clay County Attorney, the Board has been advised to deny said Application. The Clerk is to send correspondence regarding the same to the Applicant and Funeral Home. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Bitterman to deny the Application for County Burial Financial Affidavit & Agreement. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson; absent: Samuelson and Schmidt. Motion carried.

The Human Resources Committee reported to the Board the need to update the Clay County Handbook and that they had met with the County's outside Human Resources consultant from Zelle. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Bitterman to reconfigure the Handbook Committee for Clay County and appoint the following to serve in such capacity: Acting Board of Supervisors



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Chairman (L. Wayne Johnson), Acting County Clerk (Cassie Aksamit), County Supervisor (Ivan Fintel), County Supervisor (James Pavelka), County Supervisor (newly elected, Glen Becker).
On roll call, yea: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Pavelka and Johnson; absent: Samuelson and Schmidt. Motion carried.

Donnie Batterman met with the board to discuss lawn service for the courthouse, cemeteries and other county properties he mows. He isn't asking for any increase in pay for his service. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to extend the agreement with Donnie Batterman (Don's Lawn Service) for lawn mowing services through 2023 and to increase the cut charge to \$125.00 per cut plus \$20/month fuel surcharge due to inflation. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Pavelka, Fintel and Johnson; absent: Samuelson and Schmidt. Motion carried.

Tina Nelson with the Clay Center Community Club was present to update the Board on the status of Christmas lighting in the Courtyard and to request approval to utilize the existing power outlets at the Courthouse for said lighting. The Board is fine with the lights being plugged in at the Courthouse. Tina will also be presenting a quote to the Board at a future meeting from Sutton Electric for getting additional power outlets on some of the street light poles for future use.

At 9:45 A.M. the bids for lease of the S ½ SW ¼ Sec. 10-8-8 were opened and discussed. Bids were received from: Ian Askey for \$32,844.00 and Jason J. Preissler for \$27,725.00.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Bitterman to accept the bid from Ian Askey in the amount of \$32,844.00 for three years lease of S ½ SW ¼ Sec. 10-T8N-R8W. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson; absent: Samuelson and Schmidt. Motion carried.

Brandy VanDeWalle, Extension Educator presented her October 2022 Narrative Report along with the Fall 2022 Narrative Report of Holli Alley.

Allen Harpham and Brad Harpham with Flatwater Technologies were present to discuss the fiber contracts with Unite Private Fiber Networks. Flatwater will continue to work with Unite on finding the best pathway to upgrading our fiber network services for Clay County Department offices.

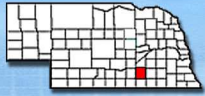
Haley Malone, Emergency Manager reported that the Sutton communications tower is functioning; the location for the new Deweese tower has been redecided and will be set and hooked up soon; Haley is working with County Deputies on bringing preparedness drills to Sandy Creek and Harvard schools at this time.

Brenda Hansen was present to notify the Board that she was contacted by the Department of Education regarding possible impact aid funds available for Clay County Schools due to the vast amount of federal lands in the school districts. Brenda has worked with the Clerk's office to gather information and will provide documentation back to the Department of Education and keep the Board informed on progress.

The claims were distributed for review and discussion. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to approve the claims that were presented and authorize the County Clerk to pay from the appropriate funds. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson; absent: Samuelson and Schmidt. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

Employees, Wages	\$117,750.00
A & L Plumbing, Service Fees	\$101.09
Adams County Clerk, Services	\$3,781.55



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Adams County Sheriff, Service Fees	\$37.00
Aflac, Insurance	\$314.08
Alberts, Donna, Services	\$266.25
Aspegren Repair, Parts, Labor	\$495.86
AT & T Mobility, Cell Phones	\$98.36
Barb Barnett, Mileage, Supplies, Meals	\$19.88
Bitterman, Joni, Mileage	\$102.96
Bitterman, Scott, Mileage	\$103.75
Blue Cross Blue Shield, Insurance	\$2,686.10
Bob Barker Co, Supplies	\$30.68
Bockstadter & Glen Law LLC, Attorney Fees	\$1,634.38
Don Bottorf, Attorney Fees	\$95.00
Business World, Supplies	\$3.99
C.A.N.D.O, Dues	\$3,500.00
Capital Business Systems, Inc., Copier Lease, Services	\$104.17
Cash-Wa, Supplies	\$1,028.62
City of Clay Center, Utilities	\$483.18
Clay County Clerk, Filing Fees	\$56.00
Clay County News, Advertising, Supplies	\$2,174.23
Clay County Treasurer, Postage, Supplies	\$3,780.30
Clearly, Phone Registration and Installation	\$420.93
Colonial, Insurance	\$643.65
Consolidated Management Company, Meals	\$30.15
Corner Market, Food, Supplies	\$1,144.30
Cornerstone Bank, Insurance	\$59,921.77
CPI, Fuel	\$3,195.23
Crowne Plaza, Lodging	\$599.75
Culligan's of Hastings, Rent	\$75.70
DAS, Services	\$795.52
Dawson County Sheriff, Service Fees	\$28.32
DeWitt Funeral Home, Service Fees	\$2,000.00
Dollar General, Supplies	\$144.21
Don's Lawn Service, Lawn Care	\$420.00
Douglas County Sheriff, Service Fees	\$43.93
Eakes, Supplies	\$4,706.41
Elite Court Reporting, Service Fees	\$67.15
ES&S, Supplies	\$15,300.71
First Concord, Insurance	\$3,202.63
First Wireless, Supplies	\$5,171.88
Flatwater Technologies, IT Services	\$7,620.24
Friesen Auto, Repairs, Labor, Parts	\$118.30
Gilbert, Robin, Mileage, Meals	\$95.63
Goding Law, Attorney Fees	\$1,695.75
Godtel, Lonnie, Cemetery Mowing	\$600.00
Hamilton County Treasurer, Vet Services	\$2,291.67
Hansen, Brenda, Registration, Mileage	\$186.25
Hometown Leasing, Lease	\$1,172.48
Kearney County Clerk, Fee Share	\$12,562.55
Lemke, Greg, Services	\$60.00
Madison National Life, Insurance	\$276.55
McCartney, Erin, Garnishments	\$140.00
MDM Pest Control, Services	\$100.00



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MASA, Medical Transport Insurance	\$1,350.00
Medica, Insurance	\$66,372.14
Microfilming Imaging Systems Inc, Equipment Rental	\$49.00
Mid American Benefits, Insurance Fees	\$534.08
MIPS, Service	\$2,870.17
Mustang Inc, Supplies	\$91.44
National Assn of Counties, Dues	\$450.00
Nationwide, Retirement	\$475.00
NE County Assessor Association, Registration Fees	\$50.00
NE Law Enforcement Training Center, Registration Fees	\$360.00
NE Association of County Officials, Registration Fees	\$2,510.32
Nebraska State Fire Marshall Agency, Services	\$240.00
Peshek, Deanna, Services	\$618.75
Physician's Laboratory, Services	\$2,517.00
Pitney Bowes, Postage	\$400.89
Platte Valley Communications, Service Fees, Supplies	\$11,844.28
Quality Sound & Communications, Rent	\$147.00
Revive Ministries, Program Fee	\$6,000.00
Roemmich, Gayle, Services	\$266.25
Samuelson, Samantha, Court Fees	\$52.50
Schmidt, Gabby, Supplies	\$88.76
See The Trainer, Supplies	\$69.00
Sherman County Sheriff, Service Fees	\$50.60
Skalka & Baack Law Firm, Attorney fees	\$4,556.01
South Central Public Power Dist., Utilities	\$1,389.19
Stehlik Law Firm, Attorney Fees	\$76.00
Sullivan Shoemaker, Public Defender	\$2,860.75
Surplus Property, Police Equipment	\$30,000.00
Sutton Electric, Services, Supplies	\$727.26
Sutton Lumber, Supplies	\$31.26
Terwey Law Office, Attorney Fees	\$380.00
Tillotson Enterprises, Repairs, Services	\$32,030.00
Unite Private Network LLC, Internet	\$1,606.00
University of Nebraska, Fees	\$40.00
US Bank, Supplies, Subscriptions	\$16.04
V & M Lawn Spraying, Service Fees	\$545.00
Brandy VanDewalle, Mileage	\$90.00
Verizon Wireless, Phones	\$40.01
Vision Service Plan (CT), Vision	\$425.35
Windstream, Service	\$548.36
WJE Consulting, Fees	\$1,460.00
Woodward's, Garbage	\$300.00
York County Sheriff, Service Fees	\$42.60
Zelle, Consulting Services	\$2,297.40

ROAD FUND

Employees, Wages	\$63,793.35
Aflac, Insurance	\$1,580.16
American Fence, Supplies	\$239.51
Aramark, Supplies	\$325.61
Black Hills Energy, Utilities	\$357.78

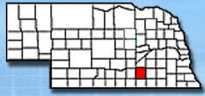


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Blue Cross Blue Shield, Insurance	\$445.76
Card Services (Orschelns), Supplies	\$16.04
Careys Pest Control, Service	\$65.00
City of Clay Center, Utilities	\$125.53
City of Edgar, Utilities	\$52.00
City of Fairfield, Utilities	\$61.20
City of Harvard, Utilities	\$72.20
City of Sutton, Utilities	\$94.74
Clay County Weed Control, Services	\$20,677.50
Colonial, Insurance	\$548.04
Cornerstone Bank, Insurance	\$34,029.73
Cornhusker Cleaning Systems, Cleaning supplies	\$291.82
CPI, Fuel	\$11,232.67
Dollar General, Supplies	\$37.80
First Concord, Insurance	\$462.50
Flatland Enterprises Inc, Services	\$1,800.00
Fleet Pride, Parts	\$3,061.82
Friesen Auto, Repairs, Labor, Parts	\$1,851.92
George Bro's Propane, Propane	\$24,124.78
Hamilton Telecommunication, Internet	\$86.34
Harvard Food Mart, Supplies	\$70.79
Island Supply Welding, Supplies	\$225.08
John Deere Financial, Parts, Labor, Supplies	\$4,414.18
Ken & Al's, Fuel	\$402.00
Kully Pipe and Steel Supply, Supplies	\$384.37
Lawson Products, Parts	\$189.13
LCL Truck Equipment, Parts	\$42.10
Madison National Life, Ins	\$50.74
Medica, Insurance	\$2,400.00
Menards, Supplies	\$109.77
Mid-Nebraska Aggregate Inc, Supplies	\$14,286.97
MIPS, Service	\$194.80
Municipal Supply Inc, Supplies	\$1,395.33
Murphy Tractor & Equipment CO Inc, Service, Parts	\$188.74
Nationwide, Retirement	\$350.00
NMC Exchange, Parts	\$733.30
Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc, Supplies, Fuel	\$194.90
Olsson, Services	\$13,425.00
R&K Service, Fuel	\$4,149.36
Sarah Dasher, Cleaning	\$375.00
South Central Public Power Dist., Utilities	\$281.15
Southern Power Dist., Utilities	\$67.45
Superior Outdoor Power, Parts	\$196.50
Sutton Auto, Parts, Supplies	\$1,220.07
Sutton Irrigation and Repair, Parts, Service	\$50.00
Sutton Lumber, Supplies	\$70.97
Svoboda, Joe, Reimbursement	\$31.00
Village of Trumbull, Utilities	\$89.00
Vision Service Plan (CT), Vision	\$190.82
Windstream, Service, Internet	\$613.73
Woodward's, Garbage	\$55.00

ROD PM FUND



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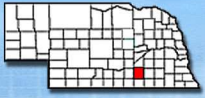


MIPS, Service, Supplies		\$468.00
	HEALTH FUND	
Employees, Wages		\$9,597.20
Leslie Anderson, Mileage		\$10.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield, Insurance		\$60.98
Clay County News, Advertising		\$163.73
Colonial, Insurance		\$190.59
Cornerstone Bank, Insurance		\$4,681.14
Culligan's of Hastings, Rent		\$36.00
Eakes, Supplies		\$72.14
First Concord, Insurance		\$250.00
Donna Jensen, Mileage		\$192.85
Madison National Life, Insurance		\$14.20
Sara Marshall, Mileage		\$400.63
Medica, Insurance		\$200.00
Nationwide, Insurance		\$100.00
Sanofi Pasteur Inc, Supplies		\$1,163.46
Syncb/Amazon, Supplies		\$100.30
Vision Service Plan (CT), Vision		\$28.17
	911 FUND	
Black Hills Energy, Utilities		\$70.06
Nemaha County Sheriff, Fees		\$38.11
South Central Public Power Dist., Utilities		\$80.29
Windstream, Service, Internet		\$440.18
	E911 FUND	
Windstream, Service, Internet		\$979.75
	ROAD IMPROVEMENT BOND FUND	
BOK Financial, Fees		\$11,042.50
	WEED FUND	
Employees, Wages		\$1,899.84
Aflac, Insurance		\$52.78
AT & T Mobility, Cell Phone		\$51.66
Black Hills Energy, Utilities		\$36.08
Blue Cross Blue Shield, Insurance		\$50.46
Cornerstone Bank, Insurance		\$2,247.42
CPI, Fuel		\$262.30
First Concord, Insurance		\$50.00
Medica, Insurance		\$200.00
Menards, Supplies		\$37.13
Nationwide, Retirement		\$350.00
Nextlink, Internet		\$28.50
Platte Valley Communications, Service, Parts		\$53.40
Shuck, Greg, Registration		\$691.91
South Central Public Power Dist., Utilities		\$43.46
Sutton Lumber, Supplies		\$40.49

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Bitterman to adjourn this meeting at 11:28 A.M.; next regular meeting scheduled for November 29, 2022. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Pavelka and Johnson; absent: Samuelson and Schmidt. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, Clay County Clerk

L. Wayne Johnson, Chairman



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