

COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, June 20, 2023, at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met June 20, 2023, as per public notice in the Clay County News on June 14, 2023, a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the County Clerk's Office. The availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice of the meeting. Chairman L Wayne Johnson presided with roll call showing the following present: Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson. Minutes of the meeting held June 13, 2023, were mailed to the Board members. All 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 Fintel and seconded by Pavelka to approve the minutes of the meeting held June 13, 2023, as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson. Motion carried.

There was no public input.

Tom Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent, provided his weekly report.

Roemmich discussed the Sign Permit Renewal from the Nebraska Department of Transportation that was provided to the Board prior to the meeting. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Shaw to approve the Sign Permit Renewal from the Nebraska Department of Transportation; Permit No: 400602307SB to expire June 30, 2025. On roll call, yea: Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Johnson. Motion carried.

Roemmich presented an easement amendment for the Road W Bridge Project to the Board. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Bitterman to amend the easement agreement for the Road W Bridge Project and authorize the Chairman to sign the same. On roll call, yea: Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker and Johnson. Motion carried.

Jennifer Fleischer, County Attorney, provided her monthly update. Fleisher resumed discussion with the Board regarding the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Law Enforcement Services. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Becker to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Law Enforcement Services by and Among the County of Adams and the County of Clay and authorize the Chairman to sign the same. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka and Johnson. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk discussed with the Board the budget requests that were provided prior to the meeting from Region 3 Behavioral Health Services, Mid Nebraska Individual Services and the District 10 State Probation Office. The Board will consider these in the next review of budget requests at a future meeting.

Aksamit discussed the County Medical Insurance Opt Out Cash-in-Lieu Program. It was decided to make no changes to the Benefit Option at this time, but the Board will re-evaluate this Benefit Option on an annual basis prior to Open Enrollment.

Haley Malone, Emergency Manager, provided her monthly report. Next Gen 911 upgrade is currently in progress.

Jerad Reimers, District Coordinator from Congressman Adrian Smith's Grand Island Office, gave legislative updates. He will return at a later date with an update on the Congressman's approach to assisting with getting the State to cost-share the repaving of the "Research Road".

Robin Gilbert, Treasurer, presented information on Tax Sales Certificates and parcels of real estate that were not sold at the public tax sale in March 2023. 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 Fintel and seconded by Shaw to approve the list of parcels with tax sale certificates #23-01 through #23-60 as recommended by the County Treasurer. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel and Johnson. Motion carried.

Robin also presented information on Tax Sale Certificates which were issued on delinquent taxes. These taxes were unpaid as of June 20, 2023. The Treasurer's office is requesting that the Board of Supervisors instruct the County Attorney to start foreclosure proceedings on the properties.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Shaw to direct the County Attorney to start foreclosure proceedings on 2020 County Tax Sales numbered #20-01, 20-11, 20-30, 20-34, 20-37, 20-38, 20-40 and 20-41 as recommended by the County Treasurer. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson. Motion carried.

Bo Robinson with A & L Plumbing discussed upgrading the plumbing within the Courthouse. The plan would be to start with the basement exposed lines with pipes that could have an immediate issue with failure. An estimated start date will be provided this fall for the project.

Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Shaw to adjourn the meeting at 11:13 A.M., next regular meeting scheduled for June 27, 2023. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk

L. Wayne Johnson, Chairman