

## COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, September 12, 2023, at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met September 12, 2023, as per public notice posted in various locations and a copy of the notice being on file in the County Clerk's Office. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting. Board Chairman L. Wayne Johnson presided with roll call showing the following present: Scott Bitterman, Eric Samuelson, Glen Becker, Ivan Fintel, Dick Shaw and L. Wayne Johnson: Absent: Jim Pavelka. Minutes of the meeting held August 29, 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.

Board 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 Bitterman to approve the minutes of the meeting held August 29, 2023, as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Becker, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson. Motion carried.

There was no public input.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent: provided his weekly road report.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Fintel to adopt Resolution #23-15 for the Annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. On roll call, yea: Becker, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Johnson. Motion carried. (Resolution on file in the Clerk's Office)

Motion by Becker and seconded by Samuelson to approve the easement presented for a temporary driveway for the CPI facility as recommended by the County Attorney. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker and Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to open pick up bids at 9:15 am. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Fintel and Johnson. Motion carried.

There was one bid received: Friesen Ford bid a 2024 F250 XLT Ext Cab Pickup for the purchase price of \$54,953.64. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to accept the bid of Friesen Ford as received. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson. Motion carried.

The Fee Reports were emailed to the Board prior to the meeting. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Bitterman to approve the fee reports for month of August 2023: County Clerk \$6,856.75: County Court \$8,380.82: Clerk of District Court \$61,276.87: Sheriff \$13,223.82 and County Treasurer receipts numbered 23080001 through 23080052 in the amount of \$293,492.67. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Becker, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson. Motion carried.

A Letter of Engagement was provided by Contryman Associates, PC for audit services of the Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023. Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Bitterman to approve the Letter of Engagement between Contryman Associates, PC and Clay County for audit services for Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023, and authorize the Chairman to sign the same. On roll call, yea: Becker, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Johnson. Motion carried.

Gene Ulmer, CPA, was present to discuss the 2023-2024 FY budget.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Fintel to adopt Resolution #23-16 to dissolve School Creek Township, effective September 12, 2023. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker and Johnson. Motion carried. (Resolution on file in the Clerk's Office)

A Letter of Engagement was provided by Dana F. Cole & Co, LLP for budget services for Clay County for Fiscal Year July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024. Motion by Becker and seconded by Bitterman to approve the Letter of Engagement between Dana F. Cole & Company, LLP and Clay County for budget services for July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024, and authorize the Chairman to sign the same. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Fintel and Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to approve the additional 1% increase in Budget Restricted Funds Authority for the 2023-2024 County Budget Year. On roll call, yea: Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Samuelson to advertise the Notice of Budget and Budget Summary Hearing for 2023-2024, the hearing to be held September 26, 2023, at 9:00 am. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Becker, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Shaw to advertise the Notice of Special Hearing to set Final Tax request at a different amount than the prior years tax request. Hearing to be held September 26, 2023, immediately following the conclusion of the budget hearing which will be held September 26, 2023, at 9:00 am. On roll call, yea: Becker, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Johnson. Motion carried.

The term of the current members of the Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association (NIRMA/NIRMA II) Board of Directors will expire December 31, 2023. The Clay County Board of Supervisors feel that the acting Board of Directors has done an exceptional job at representing all NIRMA members. Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Bitterman to nominate L. Wayne Johnson for another term on the NIRMA Board of Directors to commence on January 1, 2024 for three years. On roll call, yea: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker and Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to adjourn this meeting at 10:08 A.M. Next regular meeting scheduled for September 19, 2023. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Fintel and Johnson. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, Clay County Clerk

L. Wayne Johnson, Board Chairman