

COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met at the Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska on March 19, 2024 at 9:16 A.M., as per public notice given in the Clay County News on March 13, 2024 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. 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 and presided with roll call showing the following present: Scott Bitterman, Glen Becker, Jim Pavelka, Ivan Fintel, Richard Shaw and L. Wayne Johnson; Absent: Eric Samuelson.

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the meeting held March 12, 2024 were provided to the board members prior to the meeting. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to approve the minutes of the meeting held March 12, 2024. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Bitterman, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Tom Roemmich, II, Highway Superintendent provided his road report. The vehicles and machinery items that were approved for surplus are expected to be available on Big Iron Auction on April 10th or April 17th.

An Easement Request from Hamilton Telephone was presented to the Board to bury fiber/conduit along County Road 324 between Highway 14 and Road N; also along County Road O between Roads 324 and 325; also along Road N between Roads 324 and 325; also along Road 325 for approximately 1,270 feet west of Road N; also along Road N for approximately 1,658 feet south of Road 324. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Fintel to approve the easement request as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

An Easement Request from City of Sutton was presented to the Board to bury electrical line from the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of 11-7-5 across Road 318 to the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of 2-7-5. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Bitterman to approve the easement request as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Becker and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Tom presented the Board with a quote for security cameras at all the Clay County Roads Department shops. The quote was provided through Certified Sound & Security estimated at \$24,000. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Bitterman to approve the easement request as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Becker, Pavelka and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Jeff Franklin, County Sheriff provided his monthly report.

Haley Malone, Emergency Manager provided her monthly report.

Greg Shuck, Weed Superintendent provided his monthly report.

Michael Ude did not attend the meeting.

Isaac Stutesman with Integrated Security Solutions (I.S.S.) was present to answer questions the Board had regarding the Courthouse security systems and services. Moving forward the Board would like to get a proposal from I.S.S. for the entire Courthouse safety services. Isaac will work on this and come back to the Board in April with information.

Mark Johnson, Courthouse, provided his monthly report.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk, presented the Board with a renewal on the Clearly phone services contract. This contract would lock in the phone line monthly rates for 24 months. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Pavelka to approve the renewal contract

as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Shaw, Bitterman, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Cassie presented the Board with the renewal quote for the Catastrophic Inmate Medical Insurance, coverage period of April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025, renewal rate of \$8,035.44. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Becker to approve the renewal contract as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Bitterman, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

The Clerk's office found information on the Bicentennial Plaque for Clay County that was presented to the Clay County Courthouse on August 17, 1978. The Presentation states that the Bicentennial Plaque one day passed along to the Clay County Historical Museum. Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Becker to authorize the Clay County Clerk's Office to present the plaque to the Clay County Historical Museum. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Cassie presented Resolution #24-03, as prepared by the County Attorney, for the Clay County Board to submit the question of discontinuance of township organization to the voters of Clay County, Nebraska at the 2024 General Election. After review and discussion, it was decided that the Board would like the County Attorney to make a few revisions to the Resolution.

Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Fintel to adjourn this meeting at 11:16 A.M.; next regular meeting scheduled for April 16, 2024. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Becker and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk

L. Wayne Johnson, Chairman