

COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met at the Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska on June 18, 2024 at 9:00 A.M., as per public notice given in the Clay County News on June 12, 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, Eric Samuelson, Glen Becker, Jim Pavelka, Ivan Fintel, Richard Shaw and L. Wayne Johnson

Minutes of the meeting held June 11, 2024 were provided to the board members prior to the meeting. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Pavelka to approve the minutes of the meeting held June 11, 2024. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Thomas Roemmich, II, Highway Superintendent presented his roads report.

Timothy Veenendaal with the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (Wildlife Services) was present to introduce Tanner Hagge who will be providing wildlife services for Clay County. Tim also presented the Board with a Work/Financial Plan for the 2024-2025 fiscal year not to exceed the amount of \$8,967.64. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Shaw to approve the Work/Financial Plan between Clay County and USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (Wildlife Services) for 2024-2025 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Jennifer Fleischer, County Attorney, requested the Board consider a quote from Eakes for new office furniture in her office and a quote from Paint & Paper Palace along with Todd Boman for new carpet in her office. No action was taken on the request for new furniture. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Fintel to approve the quotes from Paint & Palace and Todd Boman in the total amount of \$2,588.21 to replace the carpet in the County Attorney's Office. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was had regarding the roads in the NAD area.

Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Fintel to go into executive closed session at 9:27 A.M. to discuss the NAD area. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Fintel to go back into open session at 9:51 A.M. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

No action was taken on the NAD roads and discussions will continue at future meetings.

Greg Shuck, Weed Superintendent was unable to attend the meeting.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Fintel to open the public hearing on the amending of the budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 at 10:00 A.M. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Gene Ulmer, County CPA with Dana F. Cole, presented the amendment to the budget for the purpose of providing additional budget authority for spending to the Health Fund and Road Fund. There was no input from public attendees or additional input.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Pavelka to close the public hearing on the amending of the budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 at 10:15 A.M. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Becker to adopt Resolution #24-04 to amend the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget to provide additional budget authority to the Health Fund in the amount of \$25,000.00 and additional budget authority to the Road Fund in the amount of \$50,000.00. No additional property taxes are required due to this amendment. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk, discussed the new Fleet Mechanic position and the possible need to transfer budget authority between some functions of the General Fund on Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget if the new position will be held as a General Fund function.

Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Shaw to transfer budget authority from the 607 Function of the General Fund to the 640 Function of the General Fund in the amount of \$5,000.00. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

A draft of the Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Audit was provided to the Board for review. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Fintel to approve the Draft Financial Statement for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2023, and authorization for the Clerk, Treasurer, and Chairman to sign the Management Representation letter and the Clerk and Treasurer to sign the Draft Financial Statement Transmittal and Approval. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

A recommendation for appointment to the Clay County Health Board was received. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Bitterman to appoint Raul Franco, D.D.S. to the Clay County Health Board for a term of 3 years. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Pavelka to adjourn this meeting at 10:51 A.M.; next regular meeting scheduled for June 25, 2024. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk

L. Wayne Johnson, Chairman