COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met at the Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska on July 9, 2024 at 9:00 A.M., as per public notice given in the Clay County News on July 3, 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 25, 2024 were provided to the board members prior to the meeting. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Shaw to approve the minutes of the meeting held June 25, 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.

Haley Malone, Emergency Manager, notified the Board that there is a meeting tomorrow between Adams, Clay and Fillmore Counties regarding emergency communications.

Robin Gilbert, County Treasurer: presented the semi-annual statement. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Bitterman to accept the semi-annual statement from January 1, 2024 to June 30, 2024 as presented by the County Treasurer. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

The Fee Reports were sent to the Board prior to the meeting. Motion by Fintel and seconded by Pavelka to approve the fee reports for the following county officials for the month of June 2024: County Clerk \$5,787.25; County Court \$9,706.62; Clerk of District Court \$3,909.29; Sheriff's fees \$1,949.37; County Health Department \$1,463.08 and County Treasurer receipts numbered 24060001 through 24060045 in the amount of \$361,179.00. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Becker, Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk, provided the Board with information from Counties across the State regarding employee Cash-in-Lieu benefit amounts. Cassie will prepare a Resolution for next week's meeting.

Budget preparation options were discussed. Upon their availability, Supervisors will act as a Finance Committee to meet with Department Heads during the beginning of budget preparation to review their budget requests and then to later present the budget requests / recommendations to the entire Board at a later Board meeting; to meet with the Department Heads on a possibly a quarterly basis to review their budget status; and to review the entire County budget possibly in the 3rd quarter to get ready for year end and the next fiscal year. The Clerk was asked to prepare a meeting schedule and send it to all Department Heads.

Aksamit notified the Board that she contacted Cindy Johnson to inquire on availability to prepare the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget for School Creek Township. Cindy Johnson would be willing to prepare the budget at a flat rate of \$225.00. The Board was fine with this and asked the Clerk to provide Cindy with documents needed to prepare the budget.

Motion by Fintel and seconded by Pavelka to adjourn this meeting at 10:15 A.M.; next regular meeting scheduled for July 16, 2024. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Pavelka, Fintel, Shaw, Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk

L. Wayne Johnson, Chairman