



# Nance County Board Minutes



April 26, 2022

A meeting of the County Board of Supervisors of Nance County, Nebraska was convened in open and public session on April 26, 2022 in the Supervisor's Room, Nance County Courthouse, Fullerton, Nebraska.

Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. with the following members present-Timothy Cornwell, Andrew Ditter, Robert Voichoskie, Ralph Horacek, Robert Small, Darren Nelson and Gary Juracek. Also present is County Clerk, Danette Zarek. Chairman advised those present of the open meetings act and its posting in the Supervisor's Room.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publication in the Genoa Leader Times on April 20, 2022.

Notice of the meeting was given to the Board and a receipt of their acknowledgment is on file in the Clerk's office.

The Pledge of Allegiance is recited.

Moved by Nelson and seconded by Voichoskie to approve the agenda.

Moved by Voichoskie and seconded by Juracek to approve minutes of the April 12, 2022 meeting.

Moved by Horacek and seconded by Small to approve all claims submitted.

## **GENERAL FUND**

ACT (Applied Connective Solutions), svcs-\$2500.00; Antelope Co Sheriff, Housing-\$1,075.00; Appera, supplies-\$43.56; ACT, svcs.-\$66.00; Arkfeld Lock & Security, svcs-\$238.65; Axon Enterprise, Inc., supplies-\$7,876.96; Black Hills Energy, gas-\$301.00; Boone Co Sheriff, housing-\$2,470.00; Boone Co Treas., dispatching-\$28,714.59; Chad Borowiak, mileage & meal-\$349.32; Ashley Boryca, mileage & supplies-\$100.62/\$15.00; Capital Business Sys, copies/lease-\$146.91/\$73.71; Cedar Valley Lumber, supplies-\$26.32; Ciancio Hardware, supplies-\$50.34; City of Fullerton, ambulance, water & sewer -\$250.00/179.23; City of Genoa, ambulance-\$250.00; Clearly, phone svc-\$641.89; Community Feed & Seed, supplies-\$100.80; Dan Cornwell, dues-\$20.00; Culligan, reverse osmosis-\$70.99; D&H Truck, supplies & parts-\$197.27; Logan Dickey, witness fee & mileage-\$65.63; Dollar General, supplies-\$68.85; Eakes, supplies & copies-\$631.89; Ecolab, svcs-\$105.37; SuAnn Engel, mileage-\$143.92; Election Systems & Software, supplies-\$3,229.31; Extreme Glass, parts & labor-\$199.50; Fillmore Co Clerk, appraisal-\$882.15; Janelle M. Folz, atty fees-\$61.75; Genoa Leader Times, pub-\$690.00; Genoa Library, repairs-\$1250.00; Sonya Glup, mileage & reg.-\$132.75/65.00; Doris Hardle, prior svc-\$16.00; Heartland Disposal, svcs-\$72.00; Helena Agri-ent, LLC, supplies-\$10,475.00; Jody Hoffman, svcs-\$20.00; Hometown Leasing, equip rental-\$410.62; Jack's Uniforms & Equip, supplies-\$172.42; Kayton International, rental-\$150.00; Len & Jo's, supplies-\$94.44; Loup Power Dist, electricity-\$1,274.18; Becky McCracken, Court reporter-\$124.95; Midwest Radar & Equip, supplies-\$120.00; MIPS, svcs & supplies-\$2,406.10; John Morgan, Title VI & ADA salary-\$200.00; NACO, reg.-\$50.00; Nance Co. Court, court cost-\$132.00; Nance Co Dist Court, court cost-\$144.00; Nance Co Journal, pub.-\$805.80; NanceTrans, donation-\$750.00; Nebraska HHS, svcs-\$186.00; NENEDD, dues-\$910.00; NE Weed Control Assoc., reg.-\$120.00; Olsson, svcs-\$5,119.25; Pappy's, fuel-\$65.22/\$887.18; Platte Co Detention, housing-\$500.00; Platte Co Sheriff, svc. Fees-\$24.10; Steve Pritchard, mileage-\$296.60; Purchase of Cash from PWCB, supplies-\$58.85; Ramada Inn, lodging-\$138.00; Reardon Lawn & Garden, equipment-\$299.99; Brad Schick, mileage & supplies-\$41.01/\$14.99; State of NE, network svc chg-\$498.64; State of NE Dept. of Corr.I Svcs, svcs-\$3,130.59; Mitchell C. Stehlik, atty fees-\$384.75; US Bank , fuel-\$737.63& \$303.83; US Cellular, wifi backup-\$14.91; US Post Office, postage-\$174.00; Verizon, svcs-\$193.41; Vision Svc Plan, cobra-\$8.51; WEX Bank, fuel-\$1,031.40; Brandi Yosten, atty fees-\$845.50; Zee Medical, supplies-\$28.40; Health Insurance-\$19,412.70; Retirement-\$15,619.74; Social Security-\$7,079.59; Disability-\$34.05; Life Insurance-\$35.93 First Concord-\$107.50;

## **ROAD FUND**



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A.J.'s of Genoa, fuel-\$69.31; Appera, supplies-\$149.62; BBK Electrical, labor & parts-\$766.10; Black Hills Energy, heating fuel-\$267.90; Capital One, Tools & Supplies-\$373.95; Casey's, fuel-\$1212.50; Cedar Valley Lumber, supplies-\$168.93; Ciancio Hardware, parts & supplies-\$322.95; City of Fullerton, water & sewer-\$64.52; City of Genoa, water/sewer-\$28.00; Clearly, svcs-\$45.24; Community Feed & Seed, supplies-\$12.90; Cornhusker Cleaning, supplies-\$113.56; Cornhusker PPD, electricity-\$108.10; Alexander Cornwell, rental-\$2,118.50; D&H Truck & Auto Parts, parts & supplies-\$871.40; Eakes, supplies-\$200.34; Extreme Glass, parts & labor-\$1,072.50; Filter Care, parts-\$430.00; Firehouse Repair, Inc., parts-\$57.92; Front Runner Fab, Inc., parts & labor-\$974.00; Garrett Enterprises, repair-\$784.95; Genoa Leader Times, pub-\$55.00; Grainger, parts-\$861.70; Heartland Disposal, garbage svc-\$43.75; Hometown Leasing, equip-\$64.99; Lawson Products, supplies & parts-\$150.87; Len & Jo's, supplies-\$9.19; Loup Power Dist, electricity-\$456.66; Medical Enterprises, Inc., testing-\$60.00; Midwest Svc & Sales, Signs-\$2,822.00; MIPS, svcs-\$113.14; Nance Co Journal, pub.-\$35.00; NE Machinery Co, parts & labor-\$24,800.67; O'Reilly Auto Parts, supplies-\$167.16; Pappy's, fuel-\$2,588.97; PowerPlan, parts-\$141.94; Prairie Creek Township, road maint.-\$2,500.00; Scott Russell, clay-\$482.40; Sapp Brothers, fuel & supplies-\$12,647.04; Speece Lewis Engineers, svcs-\$3,000.00; T & R Parts Store, parts-\$2.29; Tom's Auto Care, parts & labor-\$1,343.26; US Cellular, website-\$69.69; Verizon, phone-\$42.83; Verizon Connect NWF, phone-\$194.28; Village of Belgrade, water & sewer-\$30.00; Health Insurance-\$12,345.78; Retirement-\$4,208.83; Social Security-\$4,875.00; Disability-\$13.62; Life Insurance-\$17.80 First Concord-\$70.00;

## **SINKING-ROAD EQUIPMENT FUND**

Caterpillar Financial Services Corp, Machinery-\$45,279.11

## **VMP FLOW THROUGH FUND**

Loup Power, electricity-\$93.00;

## **K-9 FUND**

Countryside Vet Clinic, boarding & meds-\$131.92;

## **DISASTER FUND**

Speece Lewis Engineers, Inc., svcs-\$498.75

## **INHERITANCE TAX FUND**

ACT, svcs-\$2,500.00

## **911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND**

Century Link, phone-\$152.57 & \$248.00; Clearly, 911-\$22.62; Frontier Citizens, phone-\$50.01; Great Plains Comm., phone-\$82.40; Loup Public Power, electricity-\$28.53;

## **BUILDING FUND**

Front Runner Fab, Inc., supplies-\$204.00; NE DOL, boiler inspection-\$36.00;

## **SALARY CLAIMS**

GENERAL FUND                   \$44,853.03

ROAD FUND                       \$34,779.25

The Board reviewed and approved the County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts #22030001 through 22030066 in the amount of \$340,452.48 for the month of March, 2022.

Rodney Wetovick, County Attorney, present.

Gayle Steiger with Romans, Weimer & Associates, auditor, presented the board with the completed audit for Nance County for the year ending June 30, 2021. The audit has been filed with the Nebraska State Auditor's office. A copy of the audit is available for public inspection at the county clerk's office. Steiger gave an overview of the audit. Moved by Horacek and seconded by Nelson to approve said 2020-2021 audit. Mr. Steiger also provided an agreement between the County & Romans, Weimer & Associates for 2022, 2023 & 2024 county audits for their consideration.

Board reviewed an easement for Troy Hellbusch to lay a water line under N500th St. just west of N 205<sup>th</sup> Ave. Cornwell suggested that Bernt contact Mr. Hellbusch to be sure that they pour the



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pivot pad per zoning regulations. Moved by Small and seconded by Juracek to approve said easement.

Board reviewed an easement for Jonathan Santin to lay an electric cable under S. 600<sup>th</sup> St. between the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 9-15-7 and the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 16-15-7, all West of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Nance County. Discussion held. Moved by Small and seconded by Juracek to approve said easement.

Agenda item for vacation overages/grace period/NACO Health Plan renewal is moved down on the agenda.

Tony Bernt, Highway Superintendent, gave updates in the road department. Also present is Scott Russell, road foreman. The department is able to use the cost of the roof replacement on the NEMA funds. The county will need to run an ad in the papers for two weeks requesting sealed bids. The ad will run in the Nance County Journal and the Genoa Leader Times for the next two weeks – Bernt asked the board about making Kevin Loeske a full-time mechanic for the road department. Loeske is very knowledgeable in this department and could save the county a lot of money by doing our own maintenance and repairs. Board agrees with Bernt. Cornwell, Horacek and Ditter will meet to discuss a wage for the position – Juracek suggests getting together interlocal agreements with the cities and counties on roads that are shared and maintained by both the county and the city. Such an agreement has already been entered into between Nance County and the City of Fullerton.

Members of the Summit Carbon Solutions team came before the board to give an update on the planned carbon dioxide pipeline going through Nance County. Thirty-two ethanol plants will be included on the 2,000-mile pipeline that will run from Iowa to North Dakota, where the carbon dioxide will be stored 1-2 miles underground. There will be approximately 18  $\frac{1}{2}$  miles of pipeline in Nance County. It will be an 8" pipe that will have  $\frac{1}{4}$ " walls. The pipe will be buried a minimum of 48" deep. They estimate that Nance County will receive \$532,000.00 annually from taxes. At this time they are doing surveys and obtaining land acquisitions. They expect the construction of the pipeline to take 6 months to a year. They will be in touch throughout the process.

Dan Cornwell, Ec. Dev. Administrator, and Melissa Schock, a local dentist, come before the board to discuss Melissa's request for grant assistance. The State will match 50/50 with local funds for student loan forgiveness for three years for a maximum of \$30,000.00 per year through the Rural Healthcare. In exchange she agrees to continue to work in Nance County for the next three years. She is asking that the county board of supervisors consider a match of \$5,500.00 per year. She has also requested the same match from The Nance County Foundation, Nance County Development Agency and the Fullerton Area Economic Development Corp. The Fullerton Area Economic Dev. Corp. and the Nance County Foundation have both agreed to match \$2,500.00/year for the next 3 years. The Nance County Development Agency has not met yet. Discussion held. Moved by Juracek and seconded by Horacek to match \$5,500.00/year for 3 years.

Dan Cornwell brings to the board's attention that the planning and zoning currently has no regulations regarding pipelines. His committee has asked him to inquire other county's as to what they have for such regulations and bring those back to them so they can work on setting regulations for the county. They hope to have regulations ready to bring to the board by the June 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Cornwell informs the board that the planning & zoning discussed the 30 x 30 plan in length and have found that if they make amendments to the comprehensive plan, they could have tools to deny future conservation easements that are perpetual in nature. He will have recommendations from the P&Z commission of amendments to the comprehensive plan at the June 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. Comprehensive plan is due to be updated at the end of this year. He has been in contact with the Northeast Economic Development District for a block grant that would pay up to 75% of the cost to update the comprehensive plan.

All the work on the ball field has been completed. The board is ready to turn the grand stand over to the City of Fullerton. The board asks the county attorney to draft something up turning the



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grandstand over to the city. The Ag. Society may be the entity that will need to sign the paperwork. Also the lease on a portion of the fairgrounds still needs to be entered into between the City and the County needs to be finished up. Horacek will get on the agenda for the next City of Fullerton chamber meeting.

Board discusses the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) drawn up by Rodney Wetovick, county attorney, between the County and the City for the purchase of new ambulances. The board is interested in getting things done as quickly as possible and would like to get the requests for bids running in the papers. The MOU will need changes saying that the county will be negotiating the bids for the units on behalf of the cities. County hopes to have bids to open at the May 24<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

SuAnn Engel, HR, comes before the board to discuss the switch of vacation from an annual accrual to a monthly accrual. Some employees' vacation is going over the 30-day maximum now at the switch over. She is asking if the board would give those employees a 90-day grace period to use up those vacation hours. If by August 1<sup>st</sup> the employee has not brought their balance down to 30 vacation days, the time will be paid out to the employee. Board agrees. She also informed the board that information was received from NACO regarding health insurance rates. The rates have increased substantially. Rate for a single premium has increased from \$849.03 to \$1,045.36. Engel will put together some figures for the next meeting.

Moved by Nelson and seconded by Juracek to adjourn.

All motions except where specified had the following Roll Call: AYES-Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Small, Nelson, Juracek, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Timothy C. Cornwell

Chairman

Danette Zarek

County Clerk