



Nance County Board Minutes



January 11th, 2024

A meeting of the County Board of Supervisors of Nance County, Nebraska was convened in open session on January 11th, 2024 in the Supervisor's Room, Nance County Courthouse, Fullerton, Nebraska. ** Postponed Meeting

Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00 am with the following members present-Timothy Cornwell, Andrew Ditter, Robert Voichoskie, Ralph Horacek, Darren Nelson, Steve Crouse, and Gary Juracek. Absent-None. Also, present is County Clerk, Adrian Chlopek.

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 Nance County Journal on January 3rd, 2024.

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 was recited.

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

Moved by Voichoskie and seconded by Ditter to approve minutes of the December 26th, 2023 meeting. Roll call vote: AYES- Voichoskie, Horacek, Crouse, Nelson, Ditter, Cornwell; NAYS-None; Abstain- Juracek; Absent- None. Motion carried.

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

SALARY CLAIMS

GENERAL FUND	\$61,192.69
ROAD FUND	\$32,571.09

9:03 am Rod Wetovick, County Attorney present.

The Board reviewed and approved the Monthly Fee reports of the County Clerk in the amount of \$7,983.33; Clerk of the District Court in the amount of \$120.99; and County Sheriff in the amount of \$600.38.

There being no further business, old or new, to come before the Board of Supervisors, it was moved by Cornwell and seconded by Voichoskie to adjourn Sine Die at 9:10 am.

The County Clerk acting as chairperson called the meeting to order with the first order of business being the selection of the Chairman of the Board for 2024. Selection process used was secret ballot. Chairman vote was as follows: Cornwell-6, Ditter-1. Cornwell was declared Chairman. Vice-Chairman vote was as follows: Ditter-6, Voichoskie-1. Ditter was declared Vice-Chairman.

The meeting was turned over to Chairman Cornwell.

Moved by Nelson and seconded by Voichoskie to make the following appointments of various committees and offices for 2024: Contact person for Region IV Mental Health & Substance Abuse Service District-Ditter; Alternate-Voichoskie; Northstar Services-Voichoskie; Alternate-Ditter; Nebraska Area on Aging Governing Board-Crouse;

Alternate-Voichoskie; Board of Directors Northeast Nebraska Juvenile Services-Crouse, Alternate-Voichoskie; Other committee appointments made were: Building, Insurance, Employment Review & Personal Policy Review-Horacek, Cornwell, Ditter; 9-1-1 – Juracek, Nelson; Safety-Horacek; East Central Health District/ Good Neighbor/Financial Board-Horacek, Alternate-Nelson; Juvenile Diversion-Cornwell, Alternate-Ditter; General Assistance-Horacek, Ditter, Nelson; Emergency Management Supervisory Committee-Nelson; Alternate-Cornwell; East Governance Board-Jenna Clark; Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District (NENEDD), Council of Officials-Juracek, Adrian Chlopek.

Moved by Ditter and seconded by Nelson to reappoint the following: Dan Cornwell as Zoning Administrator for 2024; Chad Borowiak as Weed Superintendent for 2024; John Morgan as Title VI/ADA Coordinator for 2024; Ben Bakewell as the E911/PSAP Coordinator for 2024; Tony Bernt, as Highway Superintendent, License #1672, Class A as county employee from January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024; and Don Shuda as Veteran’s Service Officer for 2024;

Appointments to the County Drug Law Enforcement and Education Fund Board for 2024, as follows:

Rodney Wetovick, Nance County Attorney, Chairperson
Investigator Tim Stopak, Nebraska State Patrol
Nance County Sheriff’s Department

and appointment to the Local Emergency Planning Committee for 2024:

Jenna Clark – Region 44 Emergency Manager; Jonathan Ahlers – Belgrade Volunteer Fire Dept.; Darren Nelson – Genoa Rescue; Ben Bakewell – Nance County Sheriff; Candi Beed – Fullerton Rescue.; Brandon Harter – Fullerton Fire Dept.; Robert Green – Genoa Fire Dept; Tim Cornwell – Nance County Board; Anthony Bernt – Nance County Hwy Supt.; Val Snyder – Private Industry/Tallgrass; Robert Bomberger – Private Industry/Tallgrass; Elizabeth Finochiaro – East Central Dist. Health Dept.; Amanda Roebuck – Genoa Hospital.

And appointment to the 2024 Grievance Board:

Marianne Hellbusch, John Sharples, Dave Baxa, Mindy Swanson, Roger Olson, Andy Koziol, Jennifer Wood, Karen Penne, Cody Cunningham, Skyler Herman.

Discussion held on sending letters of appointment to Grievance Board Members.

Tony Bernt, Highway superintendent, gives department updates. FEMA/NEMA funds are moving forward, they are requesting more documentation. The roofing company is here today, addressing a leak in the roof. Working on getting the county roads open after the snowstorm. The snow and winds were a large factor in this storm and are taking more man hours to get the roads open due to drifting. Work will continue to widen roads after the snowstorm. The payloader is currently down with brake issues. Discussion held on communication with schools, Bernt mentioned to Board if they have contacts at the schools to reach out to have them call Bernt about issues with bus routes being cleared after the snowstorm. Suggestion to have bus drivers have Bernt phone number. Discussion held on cleats for snow/ice for road employees. Will be discussed at next safety meeting. Discussion held on supplying water as a safety concern to road workers on summer projects.

Due to inclement weather report given by Highway Superintendent for the following 2024 weed reports: 1) Activity Report for 2023; 2) Noxious Weed Control Plan;

3) Noxious Weed Infestation Report; 4) Weed Control Authority Board Roster; 5) Budget Report 6) NE Invasive Plant Watch List Infestation Report. Moved by Nelson and seconded by Crouse to approve and sign said reports.

Discussion on the line-of-sight issues at the intersection of N 550th St. and N 120th Ave. There is fiber/phone box in area that would need to be relocated to do the dirt work to fix line of sight issues. The Highway Superintendent will contact and work with utility companies and landowner.

Discussion was held on agreement with Stealth Broadband for tower rental at the Nance County Courthouse. Agreement reviewed and discussion held. Moved by Juracek and seconded by Crouse to approve signing the above agreement.

AB Turf Care Contract reviewed. AB Lawn Care has sold to AB Turf Care. They will provide lawn care with 3 seasonal applications, totaling \$992.00, if paid in full less 5% totaling \$942.40. Discussion held. Moved by Horacek and seconded by Juracek to approve signing contract.

Dan Cornwell, with Planning and Zoning Annual Report. 1) 2023 Goals 2) Significant Accomplishments 3) 2023 Analytics 4) 2024 Goals. Discussion on Summit Carbon Pipeline, has on contact with new project manager, working with them on flood plain permits, they told him they are delayed about 2 years on project.

Randy Zmek, appeared before the board, he was not on the agenda, he gave a handout giving an update on his research on his water contamination concerns.

Moved by Juracek and seconded by Voichoskie to adjourn.

All motions, except where specified, had the following roll call vote: AYES-Voichoskie, Horacek, Crouse, Nelson, Juracek, Ditter, Cornwell; NAYS-None; Absent-None. Motion carried.

Timothy C. Cornwell

Chairman

Adrian F. Chlopek

County Clerk