

## Nance County Board Minutes



April 8th, 2025

A meeting of the County Board of Supervisors of Nance County, Nebraska was convened in open session on April 8th, 2025 in the Supervisor's Room, Nance County Courthouse, Fullerton, Nebraska.

Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:05 am with the following members present-Timothy Cornwell, Andrew Ditter, Robert Voichoskie, Ralph Horacek, Steve Crouse, Darren Nelson and Scott Russell. 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 April 2nd, 2025.

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 at the previous Board of Equalization meeting.

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

Moved by Voichoskie and seconded by Russell to approve minutes of the March 25th, 2025 meeting.

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

## **SALARY CLAIMS**

GENERAL FUND \$63,396.49 ROAD FUND \$40,743.35

The Board reviewed and approved the Monthly Fee reports of the County Clerk in the amount of \$2,479.41; Clerk of the District Court in the amount of \$163.00; and County Sheriff in the amount of \$1,021.09.

9:15 AM Ben Bakewell, County Sheriff and Rod Wetovick, County Attorney present.

Landowner Easement from Marc Swantek was presented for a water line underneath N 480<sup>th</sup>, from NW ¼ 18-17-3 to SW ¼ 7-17-3, about 300 yds east of P. Swantek residence. Discussion held. Moved by Voichoskie and seconded by Ditter to approve said easement.

Ben Bakewell, County Sheriff brought to the board concerns on emergency protective custody (EPC). Currently with an EPC, the person in custody has to be medically cleared before being accepted by Norfolk or another facility. Right now, people are screened in Genoa Community Hospital, which is a cost to the county. Average about 12 EPC's a year, which is a budget concern to the county. Discussion held on having to increase the budget line for medical. The medical budget line also covers inmate's medical needs, such as prescriptions.

Ben Bakewell, County Sheriff brought discussion of the County's Communication Contract. Howard County Chief Deputy and a member of Howard County dispatching

and Boone County Sheriff and a member of Boone County dispatching were also present. Nance County's current communication/dispatching contract expires June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Currently looking at options, Howard County is conducting feasibility study and Boone County is working on getting pricing. Discussion was held. Will be placed on the agenda for next meeting, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, to review feasibility study and cost comparison.

Tony Bernt, Highway superintendent, gives department updates. An agreement with Speece Lewis for assistance with engineering/FEMA project assistance for the 2024 Flood Damage Assessment. Agreement is 3 phases. Discussion held. Moved by Nelson and seconded by Crouse to approve signing agreement with Speece Lewis for 2024 Flood Damage Assessment. Work began with digging/clearing ditches, have started on the Valley Road. Discussion held on road employee retirement, currently advertising for 2 part-time employees, will also advertise for a full-time employee preferably with a CDL but not required. Discussion held on starting wages. Will set up interviews once applications are received, will have Ralph Horacek, Supervisor at the interviews. Have done 2 tours for bidders for Road Building Remodel project. Have until May 1st to turn in bids. Discussion on where in the budget the remodel project will come out of, SuAnn Engel HR/Budget/Building stated it would come from the building fund, but that office equipment/furniture should be budgeted in the Road Budget.

Moved at 10:28 am by Russell and seconded by Voichoskie to enter into Executive Session for purpose of Negotiations. Moved at 11:08am to reconvene open session by Horacek and seconded by Russell. No action taken from Executive Session.

Moved by Horacek and seconded by Crouse to adjourn.

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

Timothy C. Cornwell	
Chairman	
Adrian F. Chlopek	
County Clerk	