



# Nance County Board Minutes



July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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

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 Scott Russell. Absent- None. Also, present is County Clerk, Adrian Chlopek, County Attorney, Rod Wetovick and HR/Budget, SuAnn Engel.

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 July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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.

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

Moved by Russell and seconded by Voichoskie to approve minutes of the June 24th, 2025 meeting. Roll call vote: AYES- Voichoskie, Horacek, Crouse, Russell, Ditter, Cornwell; NAYS-None; Absent- None; Abstain-Nelson. Motion carried.

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

## **SALARY CLAIMS**

GENERAL FUND	\$64,759.64
ROAD FUND	\$44,487.67

The Board reviewed and approved the Monthly Fee reports of the County Clerk in the amount of \$2,910.38; Clerk of the District Court in the amount of \$186.00; and County Sheriff in the amount of \$791.21.

Board of Supervisors met with all department heads to discuss their budget proposals and other agenda items, as follows:

Jenna Church, Emergency Manager, presented by Engel the Emergency Management budget. Increase in wages and insurance due to adding family plan. Discussion was held and removed \$5,000 from the furniture line item.

Dan Cornwell, Planning and Zoning Administrator, presented changes made to the Planning and Zoning Regulations from the Planning and Zoning Commission. Changes include: change the distance the waste shall be permitted from 1 mile to ¼ mile, change the current language from "at the respective distance from a neighbor's dwelling" to "1/4 mile from any neighbor's dwelling", and change "animal waste to "livestock waste", and remove the need for a Livestock Manure permit to stockpile/spread manure on land in Nance County that originated from outside the county. Resolution #25-9 was presented noting changes listed above. Moved by Nelson and seconded by Crouse to approve **Resolution #25-9**. Full resolution can be viewed during business hours in the clerk's office. Discussion brought up if regulations have

anything about pumping lagoon through pivot too close to a residence and with pumping from a lagoon through a pivot blowing onto the roadway. D. Cornwell stated he would look to see if there is anything in the regulations regarding those instances. Presented Zoning Budget. 6% decrease in budget from last fiscal year. Changing hours a week worked from 20 to 16. Increase in wages. Increased dues and lodging due to more opportunities for education.

Aaron Benson, County and District Court budget proposal. Increase in District Court for Interlocal Agreement. Increase office supplies in the County and District Court budget.

Ben Bakewell, Sheriff Budget proposal. Budgeted for an additional deputy, discussion held, will budget for only 9 months instead of a full 12 months. Communication Center budget increased as will have to pay last of Boone County Contract and first of Howard County contract in July. Bakewell stated that County receives outside payments from contracts. Is doing City contracts yearly. Wages increase of 3%. Decreasing uniform budget line from \$10,000 to \$7,500. Decrease the jail budget by \$4,000.

Josie Crouch, Beef Educator, gave the Extension office budget proposal. Main change are increases in wages.

Tony Bernt, Highway superintendent, gives department updates. Weather permitting, bridge on 120<sup>th</sup> by Valasek's possible done with abutments by Friday. Bridge on Vally Road done today and will need to have abutments built. FEMA in office today working on 2024 flood. Still a concern on gravel, shut down from a few gravel pits right now and issues with finding decent gravel. Discussion held on the Utility ROW permit. After last meeting, with changes to the permit, NIRMA sent out a new permit model with some additions and changes, County changes were added to the new model permit.

Discussion had on Road Department budget proposal. Decrease building repair line item from \$66,000 to \$15,000. Decrease the office equipment line item from \$54,199.62 to \$1,000. Decrease truck/tractor rental to \$15,000. Discussion on wage increases, budgeted for \$2 merit and 3% increase, after discussion, changed to \$1 merit and 3% increase.

Jon Cannon from NACO visit with Board. Passed out County Profile page. He addressed some of the things that NACO provides to the counties. He then went over the legislation updates.

Ronda Malander, Treasurer budget proposal. Increase due to wages and benefits.

Megan Zoucha, Assessor budget proposal. Increase due to wages.

Rod Wetovick, Attorney budget proposal. Increase due to wages and benefits.

Adrian Chlopek, Clerk budget proposals. Supervisor fund increase due to wages and benefits and travel/dues. Clerk- increase due to wages and benefits and travel. Election Commissioner-increase in wages, postage. County Surveyor budget will stay the same. Veteran's Service- stays the same as last fiscal year. Miscellaneous General-increase in a few line items and transfers. VMP Flow will stay the same. Economic Development will stay the same.

Presented the agreement between Nance County and Romans, Wiemer & Associates, CPA's, PC for the county audit for the years ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025, June

30<sup>th</sup>, 2026, and June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2027. Discussion held. Move by Nelson and seconded by Voichoskie to sign agreement.

The audit for Nance County for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 has been completed and is available for inspection at the County Clerk's Office. All the board members received a copy of the audit for review.

Discussion held on designation of the printer for Joint Public Hearing Postcards. Nance County designated MIPS to print/mail the Joint Public Hearing Postcards.

SuAnn Engel, HR/Budget/Building budget proposals. HR/Budget increase due to wage and benefits. Building fund 3.6% decrease. Building General fund slight increase.

Moved by Voichoskie and seconded by Horacek 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