



Nance County Board Minutes



January 9, 2018

A meeting of the County Board of Supervisors of Nance County, Nebraska was convened in open and public session on January 9, 2018 in the Supervisor's Room, Nance County Courthouse, Fullerton, Nebraska.

Chairman, Timothy Cornwell, called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. with the following members present-Timothy Cornwell, Andrew Ditter, Robert Voichoskie, Ralph Horacek, Dennis Jarecke, Robert Small and Darren Nelson. Also present is County Clerk, Danette Zarek and County Sheriff, Ben Bakewell. 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 4, 2018.

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

Moved by Voichoskie and seconded by Jarecke to approve the agenda. Roll Call: AYES-Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Moved by Small and seconded by Ditter to approve the minutes of the December 26, 2017 meeting. Roll Call: AYES-Small, Nelson, Ditter, Horacek, Cornwell; NAYS-None; ABSTAIN-Voichoskie, Jarecke. Motion carried.

Moved by Horacek and seconded by Voichoskie to approve all claims submitted including an additional \$200.00 increase of the supervisor elected as Chairman. Roll Call: AYES-Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

SALARIES

GENERAL FUND	\$59,350.98
ROAD FUND	21,957.54

The Board reviewed and approved the Monthly Fee reports of the County Clerk in the amount of \$1,444.60; Clerk of the District Court in the amount of \$134.37; and County Sheriff in the amount of \$5,885.03.

Moved by Horacek and seconded by Jarecke to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Roll Call: AYES-Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Moved by Ditter and seconded by Horacek to go out of executive session. Roll Call: AYES-Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Chairman states that no action was taken during the closed session.

Rodney Wetovick, County Attorney, and Ben Bakewell, County Sheriff, are present.

Bakewell informed the board that he is meeting with Platte Valley Communications today to look at the communications equipment and give him prices and options to replace the equipment. Bakewell should have some numbers for the board at the next meeting. Nelson stated that Boone County may now be interested in the communications consolidation. Bakewell will contact them. Bakewell also informed the board that Steve Foster will be on the February 13, 2018 agenda to discuss a memorial plaque for Sheriff, Dave Johnson, who was shot and killed in the line of duty.

There being no further business, old or new, to come before the Board of Supervisors, it was moved by Ditter and seconded by Small to adjourn Sine Die at 9:30 a.m. Roll Call: AYES-Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

The County Clerk acting as chairperson called the meeting to order with the first order of business being the selection of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Board for 2018. Selection process used was secret ballot. Chairman vote was as follows: Cornwell-4, Ditter-2, Small-1. Cornwell was declared Chairman. Vice-Chairman vote was as follows: Ditter-4, Jarecke-1, Horacek-1, Voichoskie-1. Ditter was declared Vice-Chairman.

The meeting was turned over to Chairman Cornwell.

Chairman made the following appointments of various committees for 2018: Contact person for Region IV Mental Health & Substance Abuse Service District-Ditter; Alternate-Voichoskie; Northstar Services-Voichoskie; Alternate-Ditter; County Representative to Central Nebraska Technical College-Jarecke; Nebraska Area on Aging Governing Board-Small; Alternate-Voichoskie; Board of Directors Northeast Nebraska Juvenile Services-Small, Alternate-Voichoskie; Other committee appointments made were: Building, Insurance, Employment Review & Personal Policy Review-Horacek, Cornwell, Jarecke; 9-1-1 - Jarecke, Nelson; Safety-Horacek; East Central Health District-Horacek, Alternate-Jarecke; Juvenile Diversion-Cornwell, Alternate-Ditter; General Assistance-Horacek, Ditter, Nelson; Emergency Management Supervisory Committee-Jarecke; Alternate-Nelson; East Governance Board-Tom Smith.



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Moved by Jarecke and seconded by Voichoskie to reappoint Allan Chlopek as Zoning Administrator and Economic Development Director for 2018. Roll Call: AYES—Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Cornwell; NAYS—None. Motion carried.

Moved by Voichoskie and seconded by Ditter to reappoint Chad Borowiak as Weed Superintendent for 2018. Roll Call: AYES—Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Cornwell; NAYS—None. Motion carried.

Moved by Ditter and seconded by Small to reappoint John Morgan as Title VI/ADA Coordinator for 2018. Roll Call: AYES—Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Cornwell; NAYS—None. Motion carried.

Moved by Jarecke and seconded by Small to reappoint John Morgan as Public Defender for 2018. Roll Call: AYES—Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Cornwell; NAYS—None. Motion carried.

Moved by Ditter and seconded by Voichoskie to appoint Ben Bakewell as the E911 Coordinator for 2018. Roll Call: AYES—Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Cornwell; NAYS—None. Motion carried.

Moved by Ditter and seconded by Small that the following be appointed to serve on the County Drug Law Enforcement and Education Fund Board:

Nance County Attorney, shall serve as Chairperson

Investigator Tim Stopak, Nebraska State Patrol, two years (2018-2019)

Boone County Sheriff's Department, two years (2018-2019)

Tony Bernt, road foreman, gave updates in the road department. Shredding trees in West Newman, East Newman & Prairie Creek townships—have had a few breakdowns with the excavator—roof of Fullerton shop had a leak. It has been repaired and now they are replacing drywall in parts room—creating a map to show where all road tubes are located—Project 198 is complete. Roadway is being graveled today. Can be opened now or wait until final inspection on Jan. 18th. Board suggested waiting until the final inspection is complete. Bernt is going to discuss the guard rail on the bridge; as it only goes to the end of the bridge—Bernt suggested putting heat in the Genoa shop. He can purchase a new oil burner unit for \$6,500.00. Department has plenty of oil to burn. Oil burner in the Fullerton shop has saved a lot of money. The shop would also need to be insulated—Board asked him to get bids on spray-on insulation.

LED lights have replaced the florescent bulbs in the courthouse hallways. At the present time there are 96 lightbulbs that need replacing in the courthouse offices. Question as to whether the board would like to go with LED bulbs in the offices, replacing one office at a time and using florescent bulbs in remaining offices until all florescent bulbs have been depleted. The LED bulbs are much brighter and last a lot longer. Board agreed.

Build-design proposals were opened. Present are Tom Sonderup and Ryan Sonderup with the Ag. Society, Steve Pritchard, Extension Educator, Jeff Horn with the 4-H Council, and Gary Peters with Chief Construction. First proposal is from Fowler Construction, Genoa, Nebraska for a 60' x 80' building for a total cost of \$480,000.00; Second proposal is from B-D Construction for a 60' x 80 building for a total cost of \$574,000.00; Third proposal is from Chief Construction for a 48' x 100' building for a total cost of \$429,630.00. Moved by Nelson and seconded by Ditter to send the proposals to the Committee for evaluation and recommendation. Roll Call: AYES—Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Cornwell; NAYS—None. Motion carried. Nelson informed the board that a contractor had looked over the 4-H building and made a suggestion to restore/remodel the 4-H building and thought it should be looked into. The board would need to see the costs associated with this option, before considering it. Cornwell gave an update on the ownership transfer of the fairgrounds. He states that the Fullerton City Council has made a verbal commitment to deed a portion of the real estate to Nance County. The ground is now being surveyed. The lease on the remainder of the real estate will be renewed.

The board reviewed a Proclamation commemorating January 21-27 as School Choice Week.

RESOLUTION #18-1

A Proclamation Commemorating Nance County School Choice Week

WHEREAS all children in Nance County should have access to the highest-quality education possible; and,
WHEREAS Nance County recognizes the important role that an effective education plays in preparing all students in Nance County to be successful adults; and,
WHEREAS quality education is critically important to the economic vitality of Nance County; and,
WHEREAS Nance County is home to a multitude of excellent education options from which parents can choose for their children; and,



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WHEREAS, educational variety not only helps to diversify our economy, but also enhances the vibrancy of our community; and,

WHEREAS, our area has many high-quality teaching professionals who are committed to educating our children; and,

WHEREAS, School Choice Week is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, educators, schools and organizations to raise awareness of the need for effective educational options;

NOW THEREFORE, we, Nance County Board of Supervisors, do hereby recognize January 21-27, 2018 as NANCE COUNTY SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK, and we call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens.

Moved by Jarecke and seconded by Horacek to adopt said Resolution. Roll Call: AYES-Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Cornwell; NAYS-None; ABSENT-None. Motion Carried.

Tom Smith, Emergency Manager, informs the board that Belgrade has been approved for a new siren. The Belgrade fire district owns and maintains the siren, but they are not a sub-applicant within the Mass Litigation Plan so the county will need to be the co-applicant for the application and Belgrade fire district will then pay the county for their portion. Homeland Security will pay for 75% of the cost and the county will pay 25%. Moved by Ditter and seconded by Jarecke to authorize Cornwell to sign the siren grant application and financial commitment letter. Roll Call: AYES–Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Cornwell; NAYS–None. Motion carried. Smith also gave the board information on a Senior Official Training and Table Top Exercise that has been set for January 24, 2018. All board members are invited to attend.

Moved by Nelson and seconded by Horacek that the following are appointed to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) for 2018: Tom Smith-Region 44 Emergency Manager; Jonathan Ahlers-Belgrade Volunteer Fire Department; Darren J. Nelson-Genoa Rescue; Ben Bakewell-Nance County Sheriff; Bill Warner-Fullerton Fire Department; Robert Green-Genoa Fire Department; Dennis Jarecke-Nance County Board of Supervisors; Anthony Bernt-Nance County Road Foreman; Val Snyder-Private Industry/Tallgrass; Robert Bomberger-Private Industry/Tallgrass; Robert Hotovy-East Central District Health Department; Cory Nelson-Genoa Hospital. Smith would like to set up a meeting with the LEPC committee, so the committee members can get to know each other.

Robert Prokop came before the board questioning a bill he received from the County for mowing ditches. He presented the board with an affidavit from the person who does his agricultural work, stating that he had mowed the ditches this summer. The board informed Mr. Prokop that he will not need to pay the mowing bill. Prokop also explained to the board several places in the county where he states the ditch drainage is poor. One area is near his land on the Nance/Merrick county line. When there is a heavy rain, the water runs through the culvert and across his and other owner's land. He asked the board to take a look at these areas. He would also like to see the trees cleared out of other ditches. Board informs him that the road department is headed that way with the shredder. Another concern is farming in the ditches. Chairman states that the board has been working on this problem. Prokop thanked the board for their time.

Moved by Nelson and seconded by Ditter to adjourn. Roll Call: AYES-Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Timothy Cornwell
Chairman

Danette Zarek
County Clerk