



Nance County Board Minutes



January 14, 2020

A meeting of the County Board of Supervisors of Nance County, Nebraska was convened in open and public session on January 14, 2020 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. 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 8, 2020.

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 in the Board of Equalization meeting held prior to Board of Supervisor’s meeting.

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

Moved by Voichoskie and seconded by Nelson to approve the minutes of the December 23, 2019 meeting. Roll Call: AYES–Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Moved by Horacek and seconded by Nelson to approve all claims submitted except claim #01909062, which is denied. Roll Call: AYES–Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

SALARIES

GENERAL FUND	\$53,632.75
ROAD FUND	29,249.36
DISASTER FUND	2,332.73

The Board reviewed and approved the Monthly Fee reports of the County Clerk in the amount of \$6,474.85; Clerk of the District Court in the amount of \$593.07; and County Sheriff in the amount of \$1,849.88.

The Board reviewed and approved the County Treasurer’s Miscellaneous Receipts #19100026 through 19110061 in the amount of \$282,141.83 for the month of November, 2019.

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

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 Nelson and seconded by Small to go out of executive session. Roll Call: AYES-Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried. Chairman states that no action was taken during the closed session.

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 2020. Selection process used was secret ballot. Chairman vote was as follows: Cornwell-5, Ditter-2. Cornwell was declared Chairman.

The meeting was turned over to Chairman Cornwell.

Moved by Voichoskie and seconded by Horacek to make the following appointments of various committees for 2020: 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-Nelson; Alternate-Cornwell; East Governance Board-Denise Ziemba; Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District (NENEDD), Council of Officials-Jarecke, Chlopek. Roll Call: AYES-Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.



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Moved by Nelson and seconded by Small to reappoint the following: Allan Chlopek as Zoning Administrator and Economic Development Director for 2020; Chad Borowiak as Weed Superintendent for 2020; John Morgan as Title VI/ADA Coordinator for 2020; Ben Bakewell as the E911 Coordinator for 2020; Grant Miller as County Surveyor for the remaining 2019-2022 term; and Tony Bernt, as Highway Superintendent, License #1672, Class B/ as county employee from January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020. Roll Call: AYES–Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Cornwell; NAYS–None. Motion carried.

Moved by Jarecke and seconded by Small that the following be re-appointed to serve on the County Drug Law Enforcement and Education Fund Board for 2020:

Nance County Attorney, shall serve as Chairperson

Investigator Tim Stopak, Nebraska State Patrol

Nance County Sheriff's Department

Roll Call: AYES–Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Cornwell; NAYS–None. Motion carried.

Moved by Ditter and seconded by Small to make the following re-appointments to the Local Emergency Planning Committee for 2020:

Denise Ziemba – Region 44 Emergency Manager; Jonathan Ahlers – Belgrade Volunteer Fire Dept.; Darren Nelson – Genoa Rescue; Ben Bakewell – Nance County Sheriff; Jeff Horn – Fullerton Fire Dept.; Robert Green – Genoa Fire Dept; Dennis Jarecke – Nance County Board; Anthony Bernt – Nance County Hwy Supt.; Val Snyder – Private Industry/Tallgrass; Robert Bomberger – Private Industry/Tallgrass; Robert Hotovy – East Central Dist. Health Dept.; Amanda Roebuck – Genoa Hospital. Roll Call: AYES–Ditter, Voichoskie Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Horacek, Cornwell; NAYS–None. Motion carried.

Moved by Small and seconded by Voichoskie to appoint Cathy Hill-Klein as representative of Nance County on the Advisory Board for the Northeast Nebraska Area Agency on Aging to serve a 3-year term. Roll Call: AYES–Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Cornwell; NAYS–None. Motion carried.

Moved by Voichoskie and seconded by Nelson to appoint Don Shuda as Nance County Veteran's Service Officer for 2020. Roll Call: AYES–Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Cornwell; NAYS–None. Motion carried.

Terms for Planning and Zoning committee members, Pat Connelly, Brett Houtby and Lynn Belitz are up. All have agreed to serve another term. Moved by Ditter and seconded by Jarecke to reappoint Pat Connelly, Brett Houtby and Lynn Belitz to the Planning and Zoning committee for a three-year term. Roll Call: AYES–Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Cornwell; NAYS–None. Motion carried.

Tony Bernt, road foreman, gave updates in the road department. There are some trainings coming up that Bernt would like to send the road crew to. First one is a full-day sign tech class/flood workshop put on by LTAP in York; next is a one-half day front end loader class also in York; and then in March a one-half day motor grader training/one-half day heavy equipment training in Loup City. Board approved the trainings—department is finishing up on S540th Street—barricades have been put up on the washed out minimum maintenance road in Prairie Creek near Keenan Shotkoski's residence—Cornwell has talked to Dan Hellbusch with Loup Power District and he says that Loup would be willing to repair the dike on the Loup River as long as the county would repair the washed out road; Voichoskie says he talked to NRD and they would possibly cost share on the dike repair, but Loup Power District would have to contact them—Fire extinguisher checks are scheduled for tomorrow—discussion on certification to board of public roads classifications & standards.

Moved by Ditter and seconded by Nelson to sign the Standardized System of Annual Reporting (SARR). Roll Call: AYES: Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Cornwell; NAYS–None. Motion carried—Jarecke questioned Bernt as to what is happening with the defective bridge signs that the State provided to the counties. Bernt stated that he has been checking into it, but does not have any answers. Jarecke feels the company who made/sold the signs should be held accountable for the defective signs—Contract with Simon Contractors on Structures #C006300205P (Genoa Northwest) and #C006301005P (Belgrade South) is received and discussed. Moved by Jarecke and seconded by Small to sign the Contract with Simon Contractors on Structures #C006300205P (Genoa Northwest) and #C006301005P (Belgrade South). Roll Call: Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Cornwell; NAYS–None. Motion carried—Board discussed maintenance agreement with Prairie Creek township. Jarecke asked about a road map of Prairie Creek township showing the township roads and minimum maintenance roads. The road department does not have a map on file, but will check with the township road maintainer and get a map. According to the township agreement, the county has approximately 47 miles of roads. Moved by Jarecke and seconded by Voichoskie to



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sign said road maintenance agreement with Prairie Creek township. Roll Call: AYES-Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Chad Borowiak, weed superintendent, presented the board with the following 2019 weed reports: 1) Activity Report for 2019; 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 Horacek and seconded by Jarecke to approve and sign said reports. Roll Call: AYES-Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Board reviewed newly pledged collateral #25934WAN7 in the amount of \$100,000.00, and pledged collateral #48124JQE1, which was called in on 12/27/19. Moved by Jarecke and seconded by Voichoskie to approve said pledged collateral. Roll Call: AYES-Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Kendra Lutz with the Central Nebraska Youth Services came before the board to invite them to a showing of a movie entitled "Foster" to be held at the Widman Cinema in Central City. The movie is to promote foster parents in the area. A panel discussion will be held following the movie at the Merrick County Activity Center.

The Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust (NPAIT) was omitted from the December resolution approving it as a county depository:

RESOLUTION #20-1

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NANCE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that the Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust (NPAIT) be approved as an additional official Nance County depository for 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE NANCE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS to authorize the Nance County Treasurer to invest county monies in NPAIT for 2020. Moved by Jarecke and seconded by Ditter to approve said resolution. Roll Call: AYES-Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Bill Warner, with the 4-H gun club came before the board to request use of the fairground's events building for their winter shooting sports. Also present are Steve Pritchard, extension educator, and Ashley Boryca, office manager for the extension office. Warner passed around pictures of the bb boxes and archery curtains used to prevent damage to walls, ceilings, etc. He assured the board that if any damages were to occur, the gun club would be responsible. Discussion held. Moved by Horacek and seconded by Nelson to approve use of the fairground's events building by the 4-H gun club under the condition that the gun club will pay for any damages, if they should occur. Roll Call: AYES-Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Ron Sims has found a used floor cleaner for sale at a cost of \$1,000.00. The floor cleaner would be used to clean the floor at the fairground's events building. It could also be used at the courthouse to clean hallway floors. The cost of the floor cleaner if it were new is \$6,000.00. Boryca checked to see what a cleaning service would charge to clean the floor at the events building and they would charge \$850-\$1,000.00. The cost is in the building budget. The board okayed the purchase. It is reported that a donation has been received from Boone/Nance Cattleman's Association in the amount of \$10,000.00.

The board has been informed by the Ag Society that the electricity for the fairground's events building is being run through their electric meter. The board discussed keeping the two buildings on the same meter or having a separate meter installed. Either way, county funds are being used to pay the electric bill for both buildings. Moved by Nelson and seconded by Jarecke that the one meter be used for both buildings with the county paying the full electric bill for that one meter. Roll Call: AYES-Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Steve Pritchard, UNL Education Educator, gave an update on the usage of the extension meeting room. Some of the organizations using the room are: Robotics club, extension board, 4-H council, 4-H clubs, extension clubs, chamber, pool committee, park board and ag society.

Per legislation enacted in 2014, counties who elect county surveyors via the election process, and want to continue the election process of the office of county surveyor, are required to adopt a resolution prior to February 1, 2020 stating that the county will continue to elect surveyors by the registered voters of the county. Nance County has always placed the election of county surveyor on the ballot, but there has not been anyone run for the office in many years and therefore the board of supervisors has been appointing surveyors to fill the vacancy of the elected position. If the county board wishes to discontinue placing the office of the surveyor on the election ballot, they must place the question to the registered voters on the November 2020 general



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election ballot as to whether they are in favor of the election of the office of county surveyor or if they are against the election of the office of county surveyor for all future elections. After discussion, the board has decided that they would like to discontinue election of the county surveyor on the election ballot and therefore the question will be placed before the voters on the ballot for the November 2020 general election.

11:55 AM. Moved by Nelson and seconded by Small to adjourn. Roll Call: AYES-Nelson, Ditter, Voichoskie, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Cornwell; NAYS-None. Motion carried.

Timothy Cornwell
Chairman

Danette Zarek
County Clerk