



# Nance County Board Minutes



December 8, 2020

A meeting of the County Board of Supervisors of Nance County, Nebraska was convened in open session on December 8, 2020 in the Courtroom, Nance County Courthouse, Fullerton, Nebraska.

Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:15 A.M. with the following members present-Timothy Cornwell, Andrew Ditter, Ralph Horacek, Dennis Jarecke and Robert Small. Also present is County Clerk, Danette Zarek. Newly elected board member, Gary Juracek. Chairman advised those present of the open meetings act and its posting in the Courtroom.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in the Board of Equalization meeting.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publication in the Nance County Journal on December 2, 2020.

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

Moved by Small and seconded by Jarecke to approve minutes of the November 24, 2020 meeting. Roll Call: AYES-Small, Ditter, Horacek, Jarecke, Cornwell; NAYS-None; ABSENT-Voichoskie, Nelson. Motion carried.

9:17 AM Nelson present.

Moved by Horacek and seconded by Small to approve all salary claims submitted.

## **SALARY CLAIMS**

GENERAL FUND	\$54,382.58
ROAD FUND	\$31,330.98

## **DISASTER FUND**

Nance County Treasurer, interest payment on bonds-\$38,562.92;

The Board reviewed and approved the Monthly Fee reports of the County Clerk in the amount of \$2,727.44; Clerk of the District Court in the amount of \$1,114.63; and County Sheriff in the amount of \$486.56. The Board reviewed and approved the County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts #20100001 through 20100040 in the amount of \$1,179,887.87 for the month of October, 2020.

Resolution #20-35 designating the Nance County Journal and Genoa Leader Times as the official newspapers for 2021 is read. Moved by Jarecke and seconded by Ditter to approve said resolution #20-35. The full resolution is available for inspection at the Nance County Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

Board discusses the Arbor Day floating holiday for 2021. The 2021 calendar shows all holidays will be on or observed on Mondays, Fridays & weekends. Therefore, it is not necessary to use the floating holiday prior to or following a holiday. Moved by Small and seconded by Jarecke to give the employees the holiday of Arbor Day on it's designated day, April 30, 2021.

Resolution #20-36 designating depositories for 2021 and authorizing the Nance County Treasurer to invest county monies in the approved depositories is read. Moved by Ditter and seconded by Nelson to approve said resolution #20-36. The full resolution is available for inspection at the Nance County Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

9:43 AM Ben Bakewell, County Sheriff, present.

Tony Bernt, Highway superintendent, gives department updates. Also present is Scott Russell, road foreman. He informed the board that Ambrose Placzek, with Midwest Sales and Service passed away—The department is preparing to do tree removal. Trees will be hauled to a burn pit to be burned—He asked the board if he could get quotes for another tree shredder. Could get a shredder for a bobcat or a wheeled hoe. He has the money in the budget for the purchase. Board agreed that he could get quotes. Bernt also suggested that letters be written to landowners after the trees in the ditches were shredded and ask them to continue to keep the trees under control—Bernt asked the board if the county employees will be given half of the day off for Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. Discussion held. Board agreed that the courthouse will close at noon on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve—Bernt asked the board for direction with COVID. Horacek reports that vaccines are coming, but will first go to health care providers, EMTs and nursing home residents and staff. At this time if a household family member of an employee tests positive for COVID, then the employee should quarantine—Bob Kush turned in an estimate for a windshield replacement due to damage caused to his windshield when he met a county truck hauling gravel and was hit with flying gravel. The road department was



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immediately notified of the incident. Discussion held. County does not currently cover gravel trucks & trailers hauling gravel. Board asked Bernt to get bids on what it will cost to purchase tarps for the trucks & trailers that are used to haul gravel—Russell brought in an insulated/water repellent/reflective coat. The coat is reflective both day and night. He suggested the county purchasing a coat for each of the road department employees to wear when out on the roadways. The coat shown to the board is from BARCO and costs \$137.00 ea. He found a coat sold by Midwest Sales & Service that costs \$102.00 ea. Board thought the coats would be a nice for safety reasons. Russell will check out other options also.

The State of Nebraska Statutes, require each county to annually certify the appointment of the County Highway Superintendent to the NDOT by Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> of each year in order for a county to qualify for the annual Incentive Payment by using the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form; Resolution #20-37 authorizing County Board Chairperson to sign the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form is read. Moved by Nelson and seconded by Jarecke to adopt said resolution. The full resolution is available for inspection at the Nance County Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

Resolution #20-38 certifying the proper completion of Project STWE-CBMP(2) (on Ash Creek East of Belgrade) was received and reviewed. Discussion held. Moved by Nelson and seconded by Small to adopt said resolution. The full resolution is available for inspection at the Nance County Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

A small employee-attended pizza lunch followed to show appreciation for Dennis Jarecke's dedicated 32 years of service as county supervisor of Nance County.

Moved by Small and seconded by Nelson to adjourn.

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

Timothy C. Cornwell

Chairman

Danette Zarek

County Clerk