



# Nance County Board Minutes



December 22, 2020

A meeting of the County Board of Supervisors of Nance County, Nebraska was convened in open and public session on December 22, 2020 in the Supervisor's Room of the Nance County Courthouse, Fullerton, Nebraska.

Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00 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 newly elected board member, Gary Juracek. Chairman advised those present of the open meetings act and its posting in the Courtroom.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publication in the Genoa Leader Times on December 16, 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 Nelson and seconded by Small to approve the agenda.

Moved by Ditter and seconded by Nelson to approve minutes of the December 9, 2020 meeting. Roll Call: AYES-Ditter, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Nelson, Cornwell; NAYS-None; ABSTAIN-Voichoskie. Motion carried.

Moved by Horacek and seconded by Nelson to approve all claims submitted except claim #02012150. Discussion held. Horacek amends his motion to include payment of claim #02012150. Nelson seconds the motion.

## **GENERAL FUND**

AlertSense, Inc., public notification-\$2,535.00; Antelope County Sheriff, housing-\$1,600.00; Appera, supplies-\$29.94; Applied Connective Technologies, svcs-\$87.10; Awards & Engraving, plaque-\$75.00; Black Hills Energy, service-\$596.00; Boone County Sheriff, housing-\$110.00; Capital Business Systems, copies/lease-\$60.80/\$73.71; Cedar Valley Lumber, supplies-\$6.29; Ciancio Hardware, supplies-\$171.54; City of Fullerton, ambulance/water & sewer-\$480.05; City of Genoa, ambulance-\$250.00; Clearly, phone svc-\$616.79; Columbus Community Hospital, prisoner svcs-\$677.40; Culligan, reverse osmosis-\$35.49; D&H Truck & Auto Parts, supplies-\$161.83; Dollar General, supplies-\$13.60; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies-\$725.83; Ecolab, svcs-\$105.37; DeeAnn Epley, prior service-\$72.00; Genoa Leader Times, pub-\$210.00; Sonya Glup, mileage-\$67.34; Hall County Veteran's Service, quarterly pmt-\$4,836.50; Doris Hardle, prior svc-\$16.00; Heartland Disposal, svcs-\$68.77; Hometown Leasing, equip rental-\$418.00; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment, supplies-\$297.79; Len & Jo's, supplies-\$828.61; Loup Power District, electricity-\$1,027.52; Joyce Mason Newquist, clerical-\$301.00; Microfilm Imaging Systems, lease-\$43.00; MIPS, svcs-\$2,417.19; John Morgan, Title VI & ADA salary-\$200.00; Nebraska Association of County Officials, dues-\$1,419.75; Nance County District Court, ct costs-\$33.00; Nance County Journal, pub-\$188.07; Nance County Treasurer, postage/real estate taxes-\$95.00/\$8.88; Nance-Trans, donation-\$750.00; Nebraska Health & Human Services, svcs-\$90.00; Nebraska Sheriffs Association, dues-\$135.00; Olsson, surveying-\$784.25; Pappy's, fuel-\$100.41/\$14.66/\$269.57; Platte County Detention Service, housing-\$450.00; Steve Pritchard, mileage-\$54.94; Purchase of Cash from PWC Bank, gift cards-\$20.00; Region 4 Behavioral Health Systems, quarterly pmt-\$3,100.25; Region IV, Inc., quarterly pmt-\$3,248.41; Sack Lumber, supplies-\$7.99; Brad Schick, mileage-\$8.05; Silver State Consulting Group, online training-\$150.00; Erik Klutman, ct appt counsel-\$285.00; St. Rose of Lima, election rental-\$50.00; State of Nebraska, network svc charge-\$448.00/\$28.64/\$22.00; Tom's Auto Care, repairs-\$20.00; US Cellular, wifi backup-\$44.59; US Postal Service, stamps-\$220.00/\$110.00/\$110.00; Verizon Wireless, svcs-\$89.88; Wanek Pharmacy, prisoner meds-\$3.24; Wex Bank, fuel-\$647.58; Health Insurance-\$21,330.32; Retirement-\$6,522.84; Social Security-\$6,994.68; Disability-\$28.38; First Concord-\$40.00; Life Insurance-\$31.99;

## **ROAD FUND**

Appera, supplies-\$98.99; Black Hills Energy, gas svc.-\$309.50; Board of Examiners, application fees-\$75.00; Bob Kush, parts-\$440.57; Casey's, fuel-\$421.82; Cedar Valley Lumber Co., supplies-\$429.98; Ciancio Hardware, supplies-\$27.43; City of Fullerton, water & sewer-\$119.13; City of Genoa, water/sewer-\$28.00; Clearly, phone svc-\$44.92; Community Feed & Seed, supplies-\$20.07; Cornhusker Cleaning Systems, supplies-\$53.44; Cornhusker PPD, electricity-\$1,632.39; Alexander Cornwell, equip rental-\$7,200.00; D&H Truck & Auto Parts, parts, tools & supplies-\$880.39; D&M Parts, supplies-\$37.26; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies & copies-\$346.45; Farmers Pride, fuel-\$531.12; Garrett Enterprises, equip-\$3,148.60; Heartland Disposal, garbage svc-\$41.75; Hometown Leasing, lease pmt-\$64.99; Lawson Products, supplies-\$36.94; Len



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& Jo's, supplies-\$28.31; Loup Power District, electricity-\$434.47; Midwest Service & Sales, supplies-\$298.30; MIPS, svcs-\$108.79; Nebraska Machinery, parts/labor-\$2,617.08; Overland Sand & Gravel, gravel-\$27,512.38; Pappy's, fuel-\$3,060.76; Prairie Creek Township, machine hire-\$2,500.00; Purchase of Cash from PWC Bank, vehicle regis-\$22.00; RDO Truck Centers, parts & labor-\$1,322.64; Scott Russell, reimb. supplies-\$44.83; Sapp Brothers, fuel/supplies-\$5,718.68; Sempek Sand & Gravel, gravel-\$463.85; Simon Contractors, supplies-\$23,250.00; Smith & Sons Repair, parts-\$230.20; Superior Foam & Coatings, svcs-\$12,806.06; T & R Repair, parts & labor-\$1,131.58; Tom's Auto Care, repairs & labor-\$969.62; US Cellular, website-\$70.08; Verizon, phone-\$41.06; Verizon Connect NWF, phone-\$178.09; Village of Belgrade, water svc-\$20.00; Health Insurance-\$13,832.60; Retirement-\$3,485.54; Social Security-\$4,382.60; Disability-\$13.62; First Concord-\$5.00; Life Insurance-\$17.80;

## **APPRAISAL FUND**

Pappy's, fuel-\$21.30;

## **VMP FLOW THROUGH FUND**

Loup Power, electricity-\$69.00;

## **DISASTER FUND**

Nance County Journal, ads-\$54.00; Simon Contractors, bridge contract-\$166,040.72; Speece Lewis Engineers, svcs-\$17,641.08;

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND**

Sack Lumber, 1/2 cost materials for Greenspace-\$5,559.62;

## **911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Century Link, phone-\$152.11/\$250.24; Clearly, phone-\$22.46; Frontier Citizens, phone-\$50.12; Great Plains Communication, phone-\$88.12;

## **BUILDING FUND**

Dubas Tree Service, tree removal and trimming-\$3,200.00;

## **SALARY CLAIMS**

GENERAL FUND                   \$43,872.38

ROAD FUND                       \$29,680.32

9:30 AM Rodney Wetovick, County Attorney, present.

The Board reviewed and approved the County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts #20110001 through 20110038 in the amount of \$148,453.39 for the month of November, 2020.

Jon Cannon, executive director of NACO (Nebraska Association of County Officials) comes before the board to present Megan Zoucha, Nance County Assessor, with the NACO Next Generation Award. Also present is Megan's husband, Will, Barb Micek with the Nance County Journal, and SuAnn Engel. The award is given to promote and support county governments. It is given to an elected official who has not completed two full terms in office. Comments made on the nomination forms describe Megan as driven to learn, to help and to succeed. Other descriptions included compassionate and charismatic. She is also a graduate of NACO's Institute of Excellence. The NACO Next Generation Award is presented to Megan. The Board congratulates Megan on a job well done.

Board discusses damages done to the drop box in the parking lot. It was damaged when a golf cart ran into it. The hinge on the box door has been damaged making it hard to open the door to retrieve the contents. Wetovick does not feel the damages were caused maliciously and does not want to file charges against the person liable. It was suggested that we turn in a claim to our insurance carrier, NIRMA, and see if they will pay for the replacement of the drop box. The drop box was purchased for the county by the State for election ballots due to COVID at a cost of \$2,783.00.

The board reviewed pledged collateral #639918BY6 in the amount of \$500,000.00 which was called in on December 11, 2020 and #25933WBW7 called in on December 14, 2020 and newly pledged collateral #80379ADW9 in the amount of \$100,000.00. Moved by Jarecke and seconded by Nelson that the pledged collateral was reviewed.

Tony Bernt, highway superintendent, gives updates in the road department. Also present is Scott Russell, road foreman. The price of culverts is going up 10% after the first of the year. Bernt is going to go through his inventory and order any culverts they need prior to the price increase—He is still getting quotes on the tree shredder—They are getting a lot of use out of the side dumper—Bernt has not heard back from Vern Olson on the fence situation that was discussed at the November 10<sup>th</sup> meeting—there has been some sign



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damage, road intersection damage and pasture damage done south of the Loup River and east of highway 14—The temporary employees are still working. Currently busy with tree removal—board members noted that some of the 9-1-1 signs are getting hard to read. Bernt is ordering new signs, but does not have it in his budget to order all new signs—the department is going to start widening narrow roads to the standard width—Ditches near Pat Mahoney's fields will be cleaned out—Russell informs the board that East Newman is down to one township officer, as the other two no longer reside in East Newman township. The board will need to appoint replacements.

Ben Bakewell, County Sheriff, present.

It was brought to Cornwell's attention that the governor made December 24<sup>th</sup> a state holiday. Due to the treasurer's office not having any state support for that day, Cornwell made the decision to close the courthouse for December 24<sup>th</sup>.

Allen Chlopek joins the meeting. The board asks him about the "green space" that the economic development is working on in Genoa. He states that they are planning a concert stage and benches. One-half of the cost to make the "green space" is being paid by the economic development. Ec. Dev. is also working on a building in Genoa for a welding shop. Chlopek continues to work on broadband grants. He also stated that he has architectural plans on the old Methodist Church and invited the board to stop in and look at them.

Bakewell informs the board about a savings for the county due to one individual who has been placed on house arrest in lieu of jail. There is a cost to the surveillance of the house arrest but that cost is to be paid by the individual rather than the county. Therefore, there will be no housing cost on this person. If the judge allows, there may be others that could be handled in a similar manner. He also informed the board of a situation in Genoa that he is uncomfortable with, but there is nothing he can do except to continue to monitor.

Ron Sims, custodian, is present. He informs the board that the trim on the exterior of the extension building is warping. He suggested that James Thomas be contacted to replace the warped trim. He felt that the trim should be replaced without a cost to the County. Thomas will be contacted.

Moved by Horacek and seconded by Small to adjourn.

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

Tim Cornwell  
Chairman

Danette Zarek  
County Clerk