



Nance County Board Minutes



January 11, 2022

A meeting of the County Board of Supervisors of Nance County, Nebraska was convened in open and public session on January 11, 2022 in the Supervisor's Room, Nance County Courthouse, Fullerton, Nebraska.

Chairman, Timothy Cornwell, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present-Timothy Cornwell, Andrew Ditter, Robert Voichoskie, Ralph Horacek, Robert Small, Darren Nelson and Gary Juracek. 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 5, 2022.

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 is recited.

Sine Die on the agenda is corrected to Sine Die. David Ciancio will come in at 10:45 to address the board. No decision to be made. Juracek would like to add a short discussion on the Loup Power's MOU meeting. Moved by Juracek and seconded by Small to approve the agenda with correction/amendments.

Moved by Ditter and seconded by Small to approve the minutes of the December 28, 2021 meeting.

Moved by Horacek and seconded by Voichoskie to approve all payroll claims submitted.

SALARIES

GENERAL FUND	\$57,031.29
ROAD FUND	34,361.41

The Board reviewed and approved the Monthly Fee reports of the County Clerk in the amount of \$2,970.17; Clerk of the District Court in the amount of \$106.43; and County Sheriff in the amount of \$661.34.

There being no further business, old or new, to come before the Board of Supervisors, it was moved by Nelson and seconded by Small to adjourn Sine Die at 9:30 a.m.

Rodney Wetovick, County Attorney, present.

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 2022. Selection process used was secret ballot. Chairman vote was as follows: Cornwell-6, Ditter-1. Cornwell was declared Chairman. Vice-Chairman vote was as follows: Ditter-6, Horacek-1. Ditter was declared Vice-Chairman.

The meeting was turned over to Chairman Cornwell.

Moved by Ditter and seconded by Nelson to make the following appointments of various committees and offices for 2022: 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-Juracek; 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, Ditter; 9-1-1 – Juracek, Nelson; Safety-Horacek; East Central Health District-Horacek, Alternate-Nelson; Juvenile Diversion-Cornwell, Alternate-Ditter; General Assistance-Horacek, Ditter, Nelson; Emergency Management Supervisory Committee-Nelson; Alternate-Cornwell; East Governance Board-Jenna Clark; Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District (NENEDD), Council of Officials-Juracek, Dan Cornwell.

Moved by Ditter and seconded by Nelson to reappoint the following: Dan Cornwell as Zoning Administrator and Economic Development Director for 2022; Chad Borowiak as Weed Superintendent for 2022; John Morgan as Title VI/ADA Coordinator for 2022; Ben Bakewell as the E911/PSAP Coordinator for 2022; Tony Bernt, as Highway Superintendent, License #1672, Class A as county employee from January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022; and Don Shuda as Veteran's Service Officer for 2022;

Appointments to the County Drug Law Enforcement and Education Fund Board for 2022, as follows:

Rodney Wetovick, Nance County Attorney, Chairperson
Investigator Tim Stopak, Nebraska State Patrol
Nance County Sheriff's Department

and appointment to the Local Emergency Planning Committee for 2022:

Jenna Clark – Region 44 Emergency Manager; Jonathan Ahlers – Belgrade Volunteer Fire Dept.; Darren Nelson – Genoa Rescue; Ben Bakewell – Nance County Sheriff; Brandon Harter – Fullerton Fire Dept.; Robert Green – Genoa Fire Dept; Tim Cornwell – Nance County Board; Anthony Bernt – Nance County Hwy



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Supt.; Val Snyder – Private Industry/Tallgrass; Robert Bomberger – Private Industry/Tallgrass; Elizabeth Finochiaro – East Central Dist. Health Dept.; Amanda Roebuck – Genoa Hospital.

No updates from the Road Department. Several employees are out with COVID symptoms/exposure. Chairman informed the board that the tree grinder is in the shop – CAT is still waiting on the crank kit to assemble the engine for the excavator – FEMA/NEMA funds discussed. No new information.

ARPA funds discussed. Zarek has made contact with Lutz & Company asking their opinion on whether the purchase of an ambulance for both Fullerton & Genoa cities and new flooring and bathroom remodels in the courthouse and road department, replacing ceiling tile in the road offices would qualify for use of ARPA funds. Response indicated that they need to do research on these uses. They promised to have an answer by the end of the month. Another project to check into will be the roof on the road building. Bids/quotes will be obtained for the projects so they will be ready, if in fact, the projects would qualify. A Mohawk representative will be here January 18, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. to look the project over and work on submitting a bid.

Loup Power District and Nebraska Public Power District would like to meet with the counties who have signed the MOU regarding the rural broadband opportunities. They have scheduled a meeting for January 20 beginning at 11:00 a.m. and asked each county send 2 representatives from the board to attend the meeting. Cornwell and Juracek volunteered to attend the meeting.

David Ciancio came before the board to inform them that he and his wife are going to be building a new home 4.5 miles west of Fullerton on a minimum maintenance road. He requested that the county maintain the road a quarter of a mile, to their proposed driveway. The board suggested that he first contact the Fullerton Township board, as they would be required to build the road up for them. The county could then maintain it for the township.

A webinar presented by AT&T FIRSTNET was viewed by the board. Also present is Ben Bakewell, sheriff, & Jenna Clark, emergency manager. The phones are available for sheriff departments, fire departments, EMTs, Emergency Mangers. The board, sheriff & emergency manager are interested. They also feel it would be a good fit for the fire departments. They offer a 30-day demo. Clark will try out the demo.

The audit contract between Nance County and Romans, Wiemer & Associates expired with the June 30, 2021 audit. The board discussed requesting proposals for the next 3 years or entering into another 3-year contract with Romans, Wiemer & Associates. Board unanimously voted to renew the contract with Romans, Wiemer & Associates. Zarek will contact them.

Moved by Horacek and seconded by Juracek to adjourn.

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

Timothy Cornwell
Chairman

Danette Zarek
County Clerk