



Colfax County Board Minutes



May 10, 2022
Commissioners Meeting
Minutes

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Colfax County, Nebraska was held in the Commissioners Room of the County Courthouse, Schuyler, Nebraska on the 10th day of May, 2022. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. Present were: Carl Grotelueschen, Jim Mejstrik and Terry V. Wendt, County Commissioners and Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk. Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by posting written notice in at least three different public places as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice. Availability of the proposed agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the board. Copies of the Open Meetings Act were posted and available to the public. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was officially convened and open to the public.

The chairman stated a copy of the Open Meeting Act statute is posted and available to the public.

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to approve the minutes of 4/26/2022. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

No report from the general assistance clerk.

The clerk provided the board with a copy of her monthly fees and STOP Revenue received. The Visitor Promo Committee will meet May 25, 2022 at the Clarkson City office. Correspondence read from Northeast Nebraska Area Agency on Aging stated the county's share for 2023 Fiscal Year will be \$4,796.00.

The board received a copy of the monthly fee report from the district court clerk.

The sheriff provided a copy of his monthly report to the board and it will be placed on file.

The vet service officer provided his April monthly report and April 26, 2022 claim reimbursements of services for Colfax County Veterans which will all be placed on file.

The board received a copy of the April public defender report which will be placed on file.

The treasurer provided a change of safekeeping receipts from Homestead Bank and Clarkson Bank.

March's Inmate log from Platte County was provided to the board and will be placed on file.

The county attorney entered the meeting at 8:40 a.m.

The Weed Superintendent provided an amended interlocal agreement to Create the Lower Platte Weed Management Area, a Separate Legal Entity. The amendment is to add Washington County to the interlocal agreement with Butler, Cass, Colfax, Dodge, Douglas, Lancaster, Platte, Sarpy, Saunders and Seward Counties. Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to approve the amended interlocal agreement to add Washington County to the Lower Platte Weed Management Area. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The county attorney gave a report of the activities of her department.

Representation from each of Colfax County Fire Departments address the board requesting the board to consider allocating each of the fire districts some funds when deciding on projects to be funded by the county's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA Funds). The board thanked them for their service to the county and will consider their request.



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The board provided an opportunity for county employees to attend an “Agenda-less meeting”.

The 2022/2023 renewal for the health and dental benefits offered to NACO members will have a 17.14% increase in health and 5.87% increase in dental. The board reviewed Colfax County’s benefits/options for employees of Colfax County who may need to have more health coverage than their single plan and how to make it more affordable. The following are the options to our 2022-2023 NACO Blue Cross/Blue Shield endorsed program.

- 1) Cash in Lieu of \$500.00 (for employees who opt out of County’s health coverage) will be available to employees who can prove - coverage through Medicare, TRICARE, Medicaid or other employer-sponsored coverage
- 2) The county will pay \$800.00 toward the premium of Employee & Spouse, Employee & Children or Employee & Family
- 3) The county deductible is \$2600; once the employee has \$500 applied toward their individual \$2600 deductible by BCBSNE, the next \$2100 that is applied toward the \$2600 deductible is paid at 100% by the county (administered by Mid-American Benefits, Inc.), to the provider of service

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to approve the 2022 NACO Subgroup Application Form which shall provide to eligible county employees health and dental coverage through the NACO endorsed program provided by BCBS. Coverage will provide a PPO-\$2600 deductible on Health and a Dental PPO Plan. Once the employee has \$500 applied toward their \$2600 deductible by BCBSNE, the next \$2100 that is applied toward the \$2600 deductible is paid at 100% by the county (administered by Mid-American Benefits, Inc.), to the provider of service. The county pays 100% of the employees’ insurance and an additional \$800.00 toward Child/Spouse/Family coverage with the employee responsible for the rest of the premium. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Recessed at 9:40 a.m. and reconvened at 9:45 a.m.

Ryan Poots/Eagleview addressed the board on an amendment to our Eagleview pictometry flights contract. The Assessor recommends this amendment. Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to approve the amended contract with Eagleview for a total cost of \$54,999.16. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Zoning administrator gave a report of the activities of her department. The board submitted to the Zoning administrator a Conservation Easement application for the planning and zoning board to review by public hearing. The board will hold their public hearing June 28th for the recommendation of the zoning board.

The planning commission recommends Chuck Kudera to the Planning & Zoning Commission. Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to approve the appointment of Chuck Kudera to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The highway superintendent gave a report of the activities of the road department; an update on road projects was given. Discussion was held to purchase a motor grader by state bid. This item will be placed on June 14th agenda. As of yet, no applications have been received for the open position for a motor grader operator.

The clerk summarized the day’s agenda and action taken.

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to adjourn BOC at 10:45 a.m. and to meet again May 24, 2022. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

I, Rita M. Mundil, duly elected and qualified County Clerk of said county, do hereby state that the above minutes were recorded by me, are true and correct to my knowledge, are recorded in the Commissioners Records and were completed for public inspection and publication on the 11th day of May, 2022.



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Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk