



# Colfax County Board Minutes



May 24, 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 24th 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 Wendt to approve the regular minutes of 5/12/2022. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The clerk provided the fund balance, STOP Revenue received and March Lodging Tax Revenue. The Platte County Board of Supervisors approved District #5 Probation budget; Colfax County's portion will be \$21,152.56. Schuyler Public Library sent their yearly highlights and narrative for last year.

The vet service officer provided claim reimbursement for May 24, 2022 which will be placed on file.

An inmate log from Butler County was provided to the board and will be placed on file.

The treasurer provided a change of safekeeping receipts from Pinnacle Bank.

Julia Kreikemeier/Extension Educator gave a report of the activities of her office; school programs are completed and summer workshops are now in process.

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

The county attorney reviewed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding the use of AmpliFund between Colfax County and the Nebraska Crime Commission (NCC). AmpliFund provides a space for electronic information sharing between NCC and Colfax County. Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to approve the MOU between Colfax County and NCC regarding the use of the state grant management system (AmpliFund) utilized by NCC. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Mike Dvorak and Lumir Jedlicka presented the board a resolution that opposes the Executive Order 14008 by President Biden of conserving at least 30% of our lands and waters by 2030 (aka 30 X 30). The majority of Nebraska counties have already passed formal resolutions in opposition of the 30 X 30 plan. The board stated they will take their presentation under advisement.

Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to approve the following claims and issue checks for them. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

### All Funds

Blue Cross-Blue Shield	Health Premiums	40,082.24
Ameritas Life Ins. Co.	Retirement Premiums	16,352.37

EFTPS	FICA/Medicare	18,199.39
	<u>Attorney Grant Fund</u>	
Salaries		1,203.96
COR Therapeutic Services LLC	Service	1,987.88
	<u>Vet's Aid Fund</u>	
Robert Bender	Mileage	25.97
Joseph Bohaboj	Mileage	8.66
Cecil Fields	Mileage	15.80
	<u>ROD P &amp; M Fund</u>	
MIPS Inc.	Microfilming/Deeds on Line	283.48
	<u>911 Fund</u>	
CenturyLink	Service	169.25
CenturyLink	Service	70.59
CenturyLink	Service	33.86
CenturyLink	Service	1.57
Electronic Engineering	Radio repair	182.00
Frontier	Service	55.79
	<u>911 Wireless Fund</u>	
CenturyLink	Service	1,241.19
CenturyLink	Service	517.64
CenturyLink	Service	248.29
CenturyLink	Service	11.54
Frontier	Service	409.12
	<u>Road Bridge Fund</u>	
Salaries		56,813.31
AG 91 Energy LLC	Fuel/propane	7,910.42
All Makes	Copies	25.47
Arps Gravel & Concrete	Crushed concrete	305.66
Ron M. Bahns	CDL reimbursement	32.00
Barco Municipal Products, Inc.	Signs	3,087.27
Barjes Enterprises LLC	Dirt hauling	5,400.00
Bomgaars Supply	Shop supplies/equip. parts/grease/bolts	186.15
CenturyLink	Service	119.86
City of Clarkson	Service	81.78
Clarkson Plumbing & Heating	Spray paint/wipes	4.01
Cooperative Supply Inc.	Fuel	132.94
Culligan	Bottled water/water cooler	85.95
Dept. of Utilities	Services	1,050.51
Doerneman Farm Service, Inc.	Equipment parts/fuel	136.65
Electronic Engineering	Radio repair	940.29
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel	82.07
Fremont Sanitation	Service	150.69
Frontier	Phone	122.47
Hegemann Hardware	Grease/shop supplies	16.07
Howells Journal	Help wanted ad	32.50
J&B Auto Parts	Belt	20.59
Jackson Service	Janitorial supplies	52.16
John's Tire Sales	Mount tire/tube/oil change	132.22
Kit Held Trucking LLC	Contract/hauling	1,223.08
Kroeger Sand & Gravel Co.	Gravel/hauling	102,852.00
Lincoln Star Journal	Help wanted ad	127.20



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Loup Public Power-Columbus	Services	378.78
Main Express LLC	Fuel	622.72
Mainelli-Wagner & Associates Inc.	Contract/engineering	39,760.76
Martin Marietta Materials	Rock	1,724.96
Matheson-Linweld	Oxygen	305.41
Midwest Service & Sales	Signs	256.50
Murphy Tractor	Motor grader	234,972.00
Nebraska Machinery Co.	Labor	1,297.50
O'Reilly First Call	Wiper blade	11.40
Occupational Health Services	Screening	126.00
Parkview One Stop	Fuel	907.44
Pinnacle Bank	Spot light/camera app	331.97
Power Plan	Labor	544.00
Prusa Welding	Labor	30.00
Pruss Excavation	C19(557)	208,285.02
Schuyler Cooperative Assn.	Fuel/propane	7,717.32
Spenser's Trenching & Electric LLC	Richland shop	826.33
Tomka Tire LLC	Tire repairs	265.00
U & I Sanitation	Service	35.00
Verizon Connect	Vehicle tracking	531.75
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	82.84
Village of Howells	Service	76.05
Village of Leigh	Service	16.25

## General Fund

Salaries		184,042.36
Daniel Acosta	Uniform/cell phone	100.00
Advanced Correctional Healthcare	Pharmacy	12.21
All Makes	Toner/copier repair	385.00
Mark L. Arps	Phone jack	8.99
AT&T Mobility	Internet/car computers	560.56
At-Scene LLC	Subscription/support	5,500.00
Robert J. Bender	Per diem	25.00
Black Hills Energy	Utilities	296.41
Jeffrey Black Jr.	Uniform/cell phone	100.00
Jean Blum	Election/mileage	156.36
Joseph Bohaboj	Per diem	25.00
Bomgaars Supply	Flowers/lawn care/supplies	344.84
Tommie D Bruce	Storm spotter	25.00
Burke Brown III	Atty's fees	817.00
Butler County Detention Center	BOP	12,400.00
Morgan Campbell	Supplies	61.93
Cenex Voyager Fleet	Fuel	2,138.40
CenturyLink	Services (CH)	837.03
CenturyLink Communications	Long distance	104.80
Ann Cerny	Election/mileage	146.88
CHI Health Clinic	Trial testimony	1,581.90
CMRS-FP	Postage	300.00
Coast to Coast Computer Products	Toner	450.00
Colfax County Court	Court Costs	154.00

Colfax County Press	Notices/election notices	5,446.74
Colfax County Sheriff	Uncollected fees	83.00
Colfax County Treasurer	Transfer	374,432.97
Colonial Research Chemical Corp.	Janitorial supplies	528.27
Columbus Telegram	Notice	125.98
Consolidated Management Co.	Meals	138.73
Constellation NewEnergy Gas Div.	Service	1,287.10
Creative Product Source	Stickers	514.53
Criminal Addiction Inc.	Criminal class	300.00
Culligan	Bottled water/water cooler	297.32
Cummins Sales & Service	Generator repair	1,773.58
Das State Acct-Cent Finance	Network service	2,422.22
David City Discount Pharmacy	Pharmacy	75.37
Dept. of Utilities	Utilities	2,899.22
Didier's Grocery Inc.	Jury supplies/LEPC lunch	238.58
Brenda Dolezal	Mileage	62.60
Douglas County Court	Certified copy	2.75
Patricia Dusatko	Election/mileage	166.53
Eakes Office Solutions	Office supplies	1,069.89
Don Eckstein	Per diem	25.00
Egis Technologies	Monthly service/port switch	4,693.30
Janet Eisenman	Election/mileage	174.60
Election costs	Poll workers/election board	2,189.00
Elections Systems & Software	Election costs	2,816.42
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel	994.92
Cecil Fields	Per diem	25.00
First Concord Benefits Group LLC	Participation fee	22.50
Daniel Freed	Uniforms/cell phones	100.00
Great American Financial Services	Copies	184.50
Great Plains Communications	Phone/internet	484.94
Great Plains Uniforms LLC	Uniforms	287.52
Carl E. Grotelueschen	Mileage	74.74
Hampton Inn	Lodging	636.00
Hanel Oil, Inc	Fuel	48.00
Juana Hanson	Cell phone	50.84
HHS Institution Payments	Norfolk	90.00
	Beatrice	90.00
Emilee Lynn Higgins	Atty's fees	491.15
Holiday Inn of Kearney	Lodging	225.90
Hometown Leasing	Copiers	1,119.35
Howells Journal	Subscriptions/notices/election notices	2,584.62
Beverly A Huerter	Transcript	338.00
Indoff	Office supplies/calculator	511.45
Intab Inc.	Election supplies	38.42
J&B Auto	Vehicle repair	8.34
J Brian Wessling DDS PC	X-rays/extraction	297.00
Jack's Uniforms & Equipment	Uniforms	77.72
Jackson Services Inc.	Service	93.96
John's Tire Sales	Vehicle/tire repair/oil change	1,955.29
Marjorie Johnson	Election/mileage	183.60
Jones Automotive Inc.	Replace computer dock/printer	1,422.37
Just Another Mini Mart	Fuel	335.53
Deb Karel	Election/mileage	152.91
Denise Kracl	Mileage/lodging/meals	766.98
Julia Kreikemeier	Mileage/program supplies	176.02
Gladys Kuzel	Election/mileage	146.07



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K9 Factory USA	Sleeve/cover	299.00
La Quinta by Wyndham Kearney	Lodging	225.90
Latimer Reporting	Subpoena for Depositions	47.50
Alyssa Ledon	Uniforms/cell phones	100.00
Lincoln Star Journal	Proceedings/notices/election notices	1,296.96
Kristen Lynch	Autopsy	75.00
Madison National Life Insurance Co.	Life/LTD insurance	70.85
Main Express LLC	Fuel	536.34
Maximus Inc.	Cost allocation plan	1,100.40
Shawn Messerlie	Uniforms/cell phone/meals	119.87
Microfilm Imaging Service	Service	290.00
Mid-American Benefits Inc.	Deductible reimbursement	5,095.09
Midwest Alarm Services	Fire alarm inspection	935.28
MIPS	Software support	2,962.88
ML Smith Law Office	Atty's fees	1,301.50
Mueller Sprinklers	Building repair	342.00
Randy Muhsman	Storm spotter	25.00
Rita Mundil	Supplies	38.24
NACEB	Dues	100.00
Nebraska Assoc. of County Clerks	Registration	125.00
Nebraska Co Attorneys Assoc.	Dues	1,090.00
Nebraska Law Enforcement Train Ctr.	Materials for training	16.25
Nebaska.Gov	Certified copy	8.50
Katelynn Ness	Program supplies/mileage	292.01
Northeast Nebraska Area Agency Aging	County share	4,796.00
NSA & POAN Conference Fund	Registration	260.00
One Office Solution	Office supplies	11.49
Cody Parker	Uniforms/cell phone	100.00
Parkview One Stop	Fuel	223.37
Physicians Laboratory PC	Autopsy	180.00
Pinnacle Bank	Camera case	139.96
Pinnacle Bank	Patches/registration/lodging	712.30
Platte County Detention Center	BOP	8,350.00
Platte County	Vet Service contract/reimbursements	2,319.30
Platte County Sheriff	Paper service	66.30
Platte Valley Humane Society	Animal care	75.00
Platte Valley Printing	Office supplies	74.99
QC Supply LLC	Programming supplies	72.43
Quadient Leasing USA Inc.	Lease payment	1,361.97
Quill Corp.	Office supplies	250.03
Carol Reha	Election/mileage	66.63
Mary Ann Rocheford	Election/mileage	158.58
Audrey Sayers	Election/mileage	174.60
Sayler Screen-printing	Uniforms	33.75
Duane Schlautman	Per diem	25.00
Schuyler Cooperative Assn.	Fuel	748.95
Schuyler Home & Building Supply	Janitorial supplies	180.81
Rosie Scoggins	Meals	30.14
Eileen A. Semerad	Election/mileage	155.07
Theresa Shonka	Election/mileage	144.36
Sipple/Hansen/Emerson/Schumacher	Atty's fees	4,576.15
Tonia Soukup	Meals/mileage	174.54

Brett Struebing	Uniforms/cell phone	100.00
Jeanette Sucha	Election/mileage	201.74
Sweet Harvest	Teacher appreciation gifts	198.75
The Write Hand of Justice LTD	Atty's fees	731.50
Thomson Reuters-West	West Proflex	984.78
Tower Plastics Mfg. Inc.	Office supplies	1,178.68
Trouba Law Offices LLC	Contract	6,250.00
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	153.79
University of Nebraska	Office supplies	248.32
US Cellular	Service	49.32
Greg Vacha	Election/mileage	183.39
Luis Venzor	Uniforms/cell phone/storm spotter	125.00
Verizon	Cell phone	122.03
Verizon	Cell phone	189.50
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	46.85
Shirley Wachal	Election/mileage	153.72
Tracy Wegner	Money order	12.45
Woods & Aitken	Service	396.50

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to recommend approval for a special designated liquor permit to the Colfax County Ag Society for the county fair activities planned for July 14-17, 2022 at the Colfax County Fairgrounds. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to recommend approval for a special designated liquor permit to Triple H Drive In for an event held June 3, 2022 at the Nebraska Harvest Center in Richland. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Veteran Service Officer addressed the board about transferring money from the Veteran's Aid Fund to the Schuyler Veteran Aid account with Pinnacle Bank. Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to allocate \$5000 to the Schuyler Veteran Aid account with Pinnacle Bank from the Veteran's Aid Fund. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Colfax County Veterans Service Committee recommends Don Eckstein to be reappointed for a term of five years commencing on July 1, 2022 with the ending June 2026. The committee is also looking to fill the vacancy of Cecil Fields who moved out of Colfax County. Motion Grotelueschen, second Mejstrik to approve the appointment of Don Eckstein to the veteran service committee. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Veteran Service Officer presented the proposed 2022-2023 budget of Platte County. Colfax County will pay \$22,000.00 of the salary items and 25% of the rest of the items except the \$10,000.00 for the CVA requested by Platte County.

Recessed at 9:50 a.m. to resume at 10:00 a.m.

The Zoning administrator gave a report of the activities of her department.

A written report was provided by the highway superintendent. Dates set for bid letting: June 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. for box culverts on Project C19(544) and C19(560); July 12, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. for bridge Project C19(559).

Discussion was held on purchasing a motor grader by state bid. Murphy Tractor & Equipment was present to answer any question. Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to authorize the purchase of a 2023 John Deere motor grader by state bid for the purchase amount of \$318,500.00 less trade of 2011 John Deere 772G in the amount of \$80,000.00 totaling \$238,500.00. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The county clerk summarized the day's agenda and action taken.



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Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to adjourn BOC at 10:25 a.m. to meet again June 14, 2022. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Colfax County, Nebraska was held in the Commissioners Room of the County Courthouse, Schuyler, Nebraska on the 24th day of May, 2022. The County Board of Equalization met at 10:30 a.m. Present were: Carl Grotelueschen, Jim Mejstrik and Terry V. Wendt, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk, Viola Bender, County Assessor and Denise J. Kracl, County Attorney. Notice of this meeting was given in advance 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. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted and available to the public. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was officially convened and open to the public.

The board reviewed the finding and orders of the Tax Equalization and Review Commission.

Discussion was held on dates to conduct protest hearing; June 14<sup>th</sup>, June 28<sup>th</sup> July 11<sup>th</sup>, July 12<sup>th</sup> and July 20<sup>th</sup> were dates scheduled for June and July.

The board approved four tax list corrections submitted by the assessor - #2326, #2327, #2328 and #2329.

Motion Mejstrik; second Grotelueschen to adjourn BOE at 11:00 a.m. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. 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 25th day of May, 2022.

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Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk