



Colfax County Board Minutes



June 14, 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 14th day of June, 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 Wendt; second Mejstrik to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to approve the minutes of 5/24/2022. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The general assistance clerk gave a report of the activities of her department, no need to enter into executive session.

The clerk provided the board with a copy of her monthly fees, STOP Revenue received and NIRMA/NIRMA II 2022-2023 Billing Statement. Clarkson, Howells and Schuyler Public Library submitted their annual report stating how each Library is contributing to their communities along with their budget request.

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 board reviewed the Internal Controls of the following offices: Attorney, Clerk, Clerk of District Court, Road Department, Planning and Zoning, Sheriff, Treasurer, Veterans' Aid Service and Noxious Weed.

The vet service officer provided his May monthly report and June 7, 2022 claim reimbursements of services for Colfax County Veterans which will all be placed on file.

The Colfax County Visitors Promotion committee provided the list of the organizations, copies of their invoices, applications and expenses to the board and they will be placed on file.

The board received a copy of the May public defender report.

The April inmate log from Platte County was provided to the board and will be placed on file.

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

The county attorney entered the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

The Highway Superintendent gave a brief report for the weed department; the weed sprayer is set up and ready for spaying.

Elaine R. Menzel/NACO addressed the board on upcoming NACO events.



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The county attorney gave a report of the activities of her office; she reviewed an interlocal agreement with Butler County regarding the purchase and use of canine unit. The sheriff hired a new deputy who is certified with the canine. The board is in favor of the purchase of the canine unit, but would like Butler County to review the interlocal agreement before their approval. The interlocal agreement will be placed on June 28th meeting.

Julie Kreikemeier/Extension Educator gave a report of the activities of her office; September 1st she will transfer to Wayne County. Recommendations for Colfax County Extension Board for District #2 and District #3 were given. Motion Mejsatrik; second Wendt to approve the appointments of Megan DeBower-District #2 and Sara Hopkins-District #3 to each serve a 3-year term on the extension board. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejsatrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

Motion Wendt; second Mejsatrik to approve Mary Bailey/District Court Clerk as the signatory for 2022 Child Support documents that are signed by the board so they can be completed online. Voting YES: Mejsatrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Mejsatrik; second Grotelueschen to approve the appointment of Jacob T. Seibert to deputy sheriff with an effective date of May 20, 2022. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejsatrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to approve the appointment of Jason Reed to deputy sheriff with an effective date of May 31, 2022. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejsatrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wendt; second Mejsatrik to approve the appointment of Jedzia D. Radke to deputy sheriff with an effective date of June 8, 2022. Voting YES: Mejsatrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Colfax County Visitors Promotion Committee is recommending the re-appointments of Karen Brabec Tiedtke, Kathy Heard and Linda Cech to serve for another four-year terms. Motion Grotelueschen, second Mejsatrik to approve the re-appointments of Karen Brabec Tiedtke, Kathy Heard and Linda Cech to the Visitor Promotion Committee with four-year terms. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejsatrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Mejsatrik; second Wendt to recommend approval for a special designated liquor permit to Jim’s Fine Wine & More for an event held July 15, 2022 at the Colfax County Fairgrounds. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejsatrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejsatrik to approve the Water Treatment Service Agreement with Garratt Callahan for the amount of \$3,896.00 to be paid in 8 quarterly payments of \$487.00. Voting YES: Mejsatrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The board reviewed a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Schuyler and Colfax County to establish the terms and condition when Colfax County personnel will activate the emergency sirens. Motion Grotelueschen, second Wendt to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Schuyler and Colfax County regarding the activation of the emergency sirens. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejsatrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The emergency manager reviewed the Colfax County Hazardous Materials Response Plan with the Board. Motion Mejsatrik; second Grotelueschen to approve the Colfax County Hazardous Materials Response Plan. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejsatrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Zoning administrator gave a report of the activities of her department; a report of new permits issued was given. NPDES General Permit for Operations Confining Cattle on Marvin Kasik Livestock concentrated Animal Feeding Operation was reviewed. A public hearing will be held at the June 28th meeting.



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Recessed at 10:05 a.m. to resume at 10:10 a.m.

The highway superintendent gave a report of the activities of his department; an update on road/bridge projects was given. The open motor grader position was filled. June 28, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. is the bid letting date for Projects C19(544) and C19(560) for box culverts.

Public comment was made on Road 17.

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

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to adjourn BOC at 10:30 a.m. and to meet again June 28, 2022. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. 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 14th day of June, 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 June Racely, County Appraiser. 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 practice and procedures of the county assessor's office were made available for all hearings.

The board confirmed June 28, July 11, July 12, and July 20, 2022, to conduct any hearings on form 422 completed by taxpayer as filed with the clerk. July 25th is the final day for equalization hearings.

The board conducted valuation protest hearings with property owners.

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to adjourn BOE at 11:10 a.m. and to meet again June 28, 2022. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. 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 15th day of June, 2022.

Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk