



# Colfax County Board Minutes



June 28, 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 28th 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 Mejstrik; second Wendt to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to approve the regular minutes of 6/14/2022. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The clerk provided the fund balance, STOP Revenue received and April Lodging Tax Revenue.

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

Public comment was made of acknowledgement and receipt of a letter sent.

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

The District Court Clerk and Judge Marroquin addressed the board on security concerns and office improvements. Preliminary bids were provided for doors with a locking mechanism. Discussion was held to go to a FOB system on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor for both County and District Court.

Carrie Rodriguez and Jeff Banholzer with District 5 Probation reviewed their budget request, gave a presentation and provided a report of services on Colfax County clients in 2021. An Interlocal Agreement between Butler, Colfax and Saunders Counties and the Administrative Office of the Courts & Probation for the Fifth District Problem-Solving Court to continue the program for the Problem-Solving Court was discussed. Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to approve the Interlocal Agreement for the Problem-Solving Court program. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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. Butler County signed the interlocal agreement on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to approve the interlocal agreement with Butler County on the purchase and use of a canine unit. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The contracts for mental health providers for the juvenile services grant were reviewed. Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to approve the agreements between COR Therapeutic Services LLC; Colegrove Counseling Center LLC; Mental & Behavioral Health Inc.; Embark Counseling; Professional Mental Health Services LLC; Good Life Counseling & Support, LLC; Elissa Olson; East Central and Colfax County to provide mental health services for our juvenile services grant. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

<u>All Funds</u>		
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	Health Premiums	46,688.77
Ameritas Life Ins. Co.	Retirement Premiums	17,237.38
EFTPS	FICA/Medicare	19,335.67

<u>Attorney Grant Fund</u>		
Salaries		1,763.70
Colegrove Counseling Center LLC	Service	90.00
COR Therapeutic Services	Service	2,537.59
Mental & Behavioral Health Inc.	Service	720.00
Sidnee M. Pavel	Cell phone	75.00
Schuyler Community Schools	Truancy	14,570.31

<u>911 Wireless Service</u>		
Century Link	Service	616.29
Century Link	Service	484.00
Century Link	Service	232.28
Century Link	Service	11.54
Frontier	Service	409.12

<u>E911 Fund</u>		
Century Link	Service	84.04
Century Link	Service	66.00
Century Link	Service	31.67
Century Link	Service	1.57
Frontier	Service	55.80

<u>ROD P &amp; M Fund</u>		
MIPS Inc.	Microfilming/Deeds on Line	283.48

<u>Vet's Aid Fund</u>		
Colfax County Veterans Acct (Schuyler)	Transfer	5,000.00

<u>Visitor Promo Fund</u>		
American Legion Post #47	Visitor Promo	1,000.00
Javier Arizmendi	Mileage	25.74
City of Clarkson	Supplies	125.00
Clarkson Czech Festival	Visitor Promo	3,500.00
Clarkson Historical Museum	Visitor Promo	1,000.00
Clarkson Opera House Inc.	Visitor Promo	1,500.00
Clarkson Public Library	Visitor Promo	130.00
Clarkson Rodeo Assoc.	Visitor Promo	1,500.00
Howells Community Club	Visitor Promo	1,000.00
Howells Community Fund	Visitor Promo	1,800.00
Howells Historical Society	Visitor Promo	1,000.00
Howells Knights of Columbus	Visitor Promo	1,200.00
Knights of Columbus-Schuyler	Visitor Promo	1,500.00
Leigh Alumni Association	Visitor Promo	380.00
Leigh Community Club	Visitor Promo	1,000.00
Nancy Schaad	Mileage	8.19
Schuyler Ducks Unlimited	Visitor Promo	500.00
Schuyler Historical Society	Visitor Promo	500.00
Schuyler Public Library Foundation	Visitor Promo	2,000.00
St. John Neumann	Visitor Promo	300.00



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## Road Fund

Salaries		59,720.14
A&R Construction	C19(463)(516)	42,269.62
Advanced Fire & Safety	Fire extinguishers/ inspections	1,433.56
AG 91 Energy LLC	Fuel	16,103.52
All Makes	Copies	10.57
Bomgaars Supply	Shop & janitorial supplies/tools/equip. parts	635.96
Century Link	Service	119.86
City of Clarkson	Service	78.28
Cooperative Supply Inc.	Fuel	90.02
Corral Auto Repair & Towing	Vehicle repair	486.19
Culligan	Water cooler/water	104.18
Dept. of Utilities	Services	767.55
Doernemann Farm Service, Inc	Equipment parts	142.74
Electronic Engineering	Radio repair	193.04
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel	258.64
Fremont Sanitation	Service	171.69
Frontier	Service	122.47
Gene Steffy Ford	Equipment parts/labor	142.16
Hegemann Hardware	Shop supplies	15.38
J & B Auto Parts	Fuel cap	12.57
Jackson Services Inc.	Janitorial supplies	52.16
John Deere Financial	Equipment parts	95.90
John's Tire Sales	Oil change/tire repair/service call	718.25
Kit Held Trucking, LLC	Hauling	1,620.53
Kroeger Sand & Gravel Co.	Gravel/hauling	128,117.00
Loup Public Power-Columbus	Services	494.57
Main Express LLC	Fuel	378.67
Martin Marietta Materials	Rock	2,285.49
Matheson-Linweld	Oxygen	69.37
Menards	Pothole patch	109.70
Midwest Service & Sales Co.	Signs/bolts	430.20
Nebraska Machinery	Equip. parts/labor/grader blades	8,261.08
NIRMA	Insurance	65,616.00
O'Reilly First Call	Equipment parts	55.08
Parkview One Stop	Fuel	1,054.45
Pinnacle Bank	Spartan camera	15.99
Platte County	Matting	964.92
Power Plan	Equipment parts	528.46
Pruss Excavation	C19(557)	3,986.00
Sapp Bros. Petroleum, Inc.	Fuel	1,786.79
The Scalehouse	Load weighing	24.00
Schuyler Cooperative Assn.	Fuel	7,171.50
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	35.00
Verizon Connect	GPS	431.75
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	82.84
Village of Howells	Service	66.33
Village of Leigh	Service	19.25

## General Fund

Salaries		194,051.75
Daniel Acosta	Uniform/cell phone	100.00

Advanced Correctional Healthcare	Pharmacy	43.92
Ag Spray Equipment	Truck sprayer repairs	280.53
Breanna D. Anderson-Flaherty	Atty's fees	418.00
Applied Connective Technologies	Cameras	3,470.00
Arbor Manor	Lodging	55.00
Mark L. Arps	Meals/fuel	35.23
AT&T Mobility	Internet/car computers	560.56
Mary Kay Bailey	Water	5.25
Black Hills Energy	Utilities	151.46
Jeff Black Jr.	Uniform/cell phone	100.00
Bomgaars Supply	Keys/supplies/phone/canning	305.08
JoAnn M. Burbridge	Mileage	74.65
Burke Brown III	Atty's fees	1,985.50
Butler County Detention Center	BOP	11,800.00
Cenex Voyager Fleet	Fuel	2,535.18
CenturyLink	Long distance	84.19
	General	836.52
Clarkson Motor Company	Oil change/wipers	132.66
Lavern Clausen	Danish Lutheran Cemetery	550.00
Clerk of District Court	Court Costs	486.00
Cobblestone Inn & Suites	Lodging	864.00
Colfax County Press	Envelopes/notices/ads	1,606.87
Colfax County Sheriff	Uncollected fees	37.00
Colfax County Title & Abstract	Title search	150.00
Connecting Point	Laptops	6,472.00
Consolidated Management Co.	Meals	331.62
Constellation NewEnergy Gas	Service	1,046.64
COR Therapeutic Services LLC	Service	1,979.42
Corral Auto Repair & Towing	Carrier service	487.50
Culligan	Water cooler/water	318.07
Cumins Sales & Services	Generator repair	704.10
DAS State - Central Finance	Network Service	1,852.95
David City Discount Pharmacy	Pharmacy	53.23
Dell	Computers/system	13,278.00
Department of Utilities	Utilities	2,793.91
Didier's Grocery Inc.	Program supplies	75.05
Brenda Dolezal	Mileage	41.54
Eakes Office Solutions	Office supplies/copier lease/copies	2,805.67
Egan Supply Co.	Janitorial supplies	482.41
Egis Technologies	Monthly service/computers	6,013.30
Egr, Birkel & Wollmer	Atty's fees	8,246.00
Electronic Engineering	Radio repair	263.78
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel	1,331.12
Fiala Automotive, Inc.	Oil change	80.35
First Concord Benefits Group LLC	Participation fee	22.50
Daniel Freed	Cell phone/meals	100.00
Great American Financial Services	Copier/copies	928.03
Great Plains Uniforms LLC	Safety equipment	1,998.37
Carl E. Grotelueschen	Mileage	151.36
gWorks	Map of Schuyler	175.00
Hanel Oil, Inc.	Fuel/oil change/tire repair	174.25
Juana Hanson	Cell phone	70.34
Health & Human Services	Norfolk	93.00
	Beatrice	93.00
Emilee Lynn Higgins LLC	Atty's fees	864.50



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Holiday Inn Kearney	Lodging	149.95
Hometown Leasing	Copiers	1,136.19
Howells Journal	Ad	11.71
Beverly A. Huerter	Transcript	450.00
Indoff	Office supplies/storage boxes	1,202.19
Intab Inc.	Election supplies	52.61
J & B Auto Parts	Plastic weld	5.54
Jacks Uniforms & Equipment	Safety equipment	87.89
Jackson Services Inc.	Service	93.96
JEO Consulting Group	Surveys	540.00
John Kohl Law Firm	Atty's fees	380.00
Johns Tire Sales	Oil change/tire repair	198.41
Jones Automotive Inc.	Upfits of Utility	25,622.47
Just Another Mini Mart	Fuel	469.12
Jennifer Kappel	Mileage	21.06
Janis Kasik	Mileage	75.50
Kiesler Police Supply	Safety equipment	2,785.00
Danny W. Kluthe	Mileage/per diem	45.65
Denise Kracl	Mileage	125.19
Julia Kreikemeier	Mileage/program supplies	507.58
Kroeger Body Shop Inc.	Repair windshield	30.00
Kyle Krula	Mileage/per diem	32.67
Charles Kudera	Mileage/per diem	28.69
K-9 Dog Rigs	1/2 payment	2,750.00
Alyssa Ledon	Uniforms/cell phone	100.00
Lincoln Journal Star	Notices/proceedings	620.28
Madison National Life Insurance Co.	Life/LTD insurance	92.53
Main Express LLC	Fuel	801.45
Mebulbs	Building repair	88.95
Menards	Weed/feed/equipment repairs	148.68
Shawn Messerlie	Reimbursement for a meal	10.27
Microfilm Imaging Service	Service	290.00
Mid-American Benefits Inc.	Deductible reimbursement	7,060.45
Mills & Reiter	Atty's fees	209.00
MIPS	Software support	3,848.22
ML Smith Law Office	Atty's fees	123.50
Modern Imaging Solutions	Supplies	299.79
Rita Mundil	Mileage	152.10
Nebraska Assoc. of County Officials	Registrations/Membership dues	2,223.38
Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center	Training sessions	250.00
Nebraska.gov	Certified copy	7.50
Katelynn Ness	Mileage	140.40
Niobrara Lodge	Lodging	192.00
NIRMA	Insurance	69,447.00
Norfolk Lodge & Suites	Lodging	208.00
Keith Novak	Mileage/per diem	18.39
NSA & POAN Conference Fund	Registrations	390.00
Cody Parker	Uniforms/cell phone	100.00
Parkview One Stop	Fuel	309.86
Physicians Laboratory PC	Autopsy	2,307.00
Scott Pieper	Mileage/per diem	33.84
Pinnacle Bank	Deposit books	21.44

Pinnacle Bank	Garden supplies/GQF Mfg.	804.95
Pinnacle Bank	Bite-suit	1,441.00
Pinnacle Bank	Smugglers Inc./registrations	395.00
Platte County Detention Facility	BOP	6,250.00
Platte County	Vet Service contract/reimb.	2,005.42
Platte County Sheriff	Paper service	37.22
Quadient	Postage/supplies	2,532.93
Quill Corp.	Office supplies	83.96
June Racely	Class	125.70
Ray Allen Manufacturing	Leather leash	129.96
Jason Reed	Uniforms/cell phone	100.00
Region 4 Behavioral Health System	1st quarter	6,867.75
Schieffer Signs	Judicial signs	1,320.00
Schuyler Cooperative Assn.	Fuel	1,061.43
Schuyler Home & Building Supply	Truck sprayer repairs/supplies	29.89
Sec. of State	ID cards	20.00
Mark Shoultz	Mileage/per diem	27.05
Sipple/Hansen/Emerson/Schumacher	Atty's fees	21,534.97
Brett Struebing	Uniforms/cell phone	100.00
Thomson Reuters-West	West Law	984.78
Tower Plastics Mfg. Inc.	Auto ID jackets	1,178.68
Trane	Service agreement	4,206.89
Trouba Law Office LLC	Contract/attorney fees	6,991.00
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	152.00
United States Treasury	PCORI Fees	122.36
University of Nebraska Lincoln	Wage reimbursement	9,763.54
Calvin Urban	Mileage/per diem	41.21
US Cellular	Cell phone	47.61
US Elite LLC	Safety equipment	1,089.44
Luis Venzor	Uniform/cell phone	100.00
Verizon	Cell phone	189.50
Verizon	Cell phone	122.03
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	44.17
Phillip Wendt	Mileage/per diem	35.01
Terry Wendt	Mileage	160.27
Daniel Zacarias	Witness	20.00

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to approve the revised mileage rate of \$0.625 cents/mile for all reimbursable mileage incurred by county employees beginning July 1, 2022; further providing that the sheriff is permitted to charge an additional 3 cents/mile for paper service. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Discussion of the FY22-23 proposed county budgets was held; the CPI for May was 8.6 percent. Direction to the officials and department heads for allowable increases for wages will be given at the next meeting.

Motion Wendt; second Grotelueschen to allow CASA Connection the amount of \$10,000.00 for budget year 2022-2023. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to allow Colfax County Library Association the amount of \$30,000.00 for budget year 2022-2023. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on who would print the post cards if any school, city or county are over the 2% allowance with their budget. Nebraska Department of Administrative Services have an agreement with MIPS and NACO. Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to approve Nebraska Department of Administrative Services to print Colfax County post cards. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.



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Recessed at 9:55 a.m. to resume at 10:00 a.m.

The Zoning administrator gave a report of the activities of her department; the public hearing to approve a resolution to add Conservation/Preservation Easements to the Zoning Regulation is not being held due to the planning and zoning board wanting more information. Two Conservation Easement Applications are presented to the board. 1) Michael G. and Connie S. Emanuel is for a CRP contract; 2) C Six Inc. is for Wetland Mitigation. No recommendation from the planning and zoning board was given. Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to approve the two Conservation Easement Applications on Michael/Connie Emanuel and C Six Inc. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Recommendations for the Board of Adjustments was given. Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to appoint Chris Yosten to the Board of Adjustments. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Javier Fernandez/OPPD introduced himself to the board and gave a brief presentation on how OPPD is trying to meet the needs of the community by building new generation units.

The highway superintendent gave a report of the activities of his department; an update on road/bridge projects was given.

July 26, 2022 will be the bid letting date for Bridge Project C19(559). Each road shop elected one employee to meet monthly to discuss safety concerns.

Bids for Projects C19(544) and C19(560) that were received by the 10:30 a.m. deadline were publicly opened and read. Eight companies submitted bids. Discuss, consider or take action will be at our July 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The board reviewed an Interlocal Agreement between Stanton County and Colfax County for a bridge replacement project on Road Y, between Road 3 and Road 4. Motion Mejstrik; second Grotelueschen to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Stanton County and Colfax County for Bridge Replacement Project C19(544). Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to adjourn BOC at 11:10 a.m. to meet again July 12, 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 28th day of June, 2022. The County Board of Equalization met at 1:00 p.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 board conducted valuation protest hearings with property owners.

Motion Mejstrik; second Grotelueschen to adjourn BOE at 2:40 p.m. to meet again July 11, 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 29th day of June, 2022.

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Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk