



Colfax County Board Minutes



November 8, 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 8th day of November, 2022. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. Present were: Carl Grotelueschen, Jim Mejstrik and Terry V. Wendt, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk and Bruce J. Prenda, County Attorney. 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 Mejstrik; second Grotelueschen to approve the minutes of 10/25/2022. 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 receipt of NIRMA's dividend check which was deposited with the treasurer. County Government Day will be held November 14th. NACO's Annual Conference is December 14-16 in Kearney.

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

The sheriff's October monthly report was provided to the board and placed on file.

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

The vet service officer provided his October Veteran Service Office report and October 25, 2022 claim reimbursement of services for Colfax County Veterans which will be placed on file.

The county attorney gave a report of the activities of his office.

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to enter executive session at 8:50 a.m. for the protection of the public interest and/or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Mejstrik; second Grotelueschen to exit executive session and resume regular session at 9:40 a.m. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The chairman stated no action was taken while in executive session.

The treasurer provided a copy of the distress warrant list as of November 1, 2022.

The emergency manager gave a report of the activities of his office; correspondence from NEMA officially conveying the submitted Colfax County HazMat Emergency Response Plan has been approved for use.

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



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The annual increase of the Law Enforcement Contracts with the City of Clarkson and Villages of Howells, Leigh, Richland and Rogers were discussed. Per contract agreements the consideration for the law enforcement services shall be adjusted by using the Consumer Price Index for August established by Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor which is an 8.3 percent increase that will take effect December of 2022. The sheriff has provided this information to the entities.

An agreement between the Schuyler Police department and Colfax County for a purchase of canine unit was reviewed. The county attorney suggested some modifications be made to the agreement. The modified agreement will be provided to the City of Schuyler for their signature. Discuss, consider or take action on the modified agreement regarding the sale of the male patrol canine will be on the November 22nd agenda.

No report from the zoning administrator.

The highway superintendent gave a report of the activities of the road department; an update on road/bridge projects was given. An ad for a part-time weed superintendent has been submitted to the local newspapers.

The 30/64 Corridor meeting notes from October 31, 2022 were reviewed. December 13, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. will be the bid letting date to purchase a 2023 motor grader.

Resolution 11-8-2022(1) authorizing the chairman to sign the Certification of County Highway Superintendent for Determining Incentive Payment for January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022 was reviewed. Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to approve Resolution 11-8-2022(1) authorizing the chairman to sign the Certification of County Highway Superintendent for Determining Incentive Payment for January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Public comment was made on Road 17.

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

Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to adjourn BOC at 11:00 a.m. and to meet again November 22, 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 9th day of November, 2022.

Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk