

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 23rd day of April 2024. 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. The 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 Grotelueschen; 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 April 9, 2024. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to enter executive session at 8:35 a.m. for the General Assistant Clerk report. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to exit executive session and resume regular session at 8:45 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 Board directed the General Assistance Clerk to work with Svoboda Funeral Home on a claim.

The Clerk provided the fund balance, February Lodging Tax Revenue and STOP Revenue received. The Visitor Promo Committee will meet May 7, 2024, at the Clarkson city office. The city of Schuyler sent their annual report of the 2024 Annual Tax Increment Project Report for the Schuyler CDA. Correspondence was read from Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District providing information on Return of Investment.

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

The Vet Service Officer provided claim reimbursements for April 9, 2024, which will be placed on file.

NIRMA recognized Colfax County for being a member for 25 years.

Public comments on wind energy was made.

The County Attorney reported he will be renewing the contract for the Traffic Diversion Program (STOP) with Traffic Safety Plus and Nebraska Safety Council Inc. He also requests authorization to return unused funds with the FY2024 Community-Based Juvenile Services Grant to the Crime Commission. Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to approve \$18,900 from Attorney Grant Fund to the Crime Commission. 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	46,100.74
Ameritas Life Ins. Co.	Retirement Premiums	19,801.83
EFTPS	FICA/Medicare	21,543.67
<u>Attorney Grant Fund</u>		
Salaries		845.50
Columbus Area United Way	Service	432.00
Sidnee M. Pavel	Cell phone	75.00
<u>911 Wireless Service Fund</u>		
CenturyLink	Service	792.55
Sleuth Systems	Maintenance renewal	9,330.00
<u>E911 Fund</u>		
CenturyLink	Service	231.16
Frontier	Service	464.91
Sleuth Systems	Maintenance renewal	6,849.00

ROD P & M Fund

MIPS Microfilming/Deeds on Line 289.25

Road Fund

Salaries		61,572.73
AG 91 Energy LLC	Fuel/propane	6,027.06
Albracht Disposal Service Inc.	Service	57.68
All Makes	Overage	12.40
Barco Municipal Products, Inc.	Signs	7,035.38
Barjes Enterprises LLC	Hauling dirt	1,486.25
Frank & Sharon Bohaboj	Easements	670.00
Bomgaars Supply	Shop supplies/grease	140.96
City of Clarkson	Service	72.70
Clarkson Plumbing & Heating	Shop supplies	67.47
Colfax County Press	Notices	906.00
Columbus Steel Supply, Inc.	Steel products	448.17
Cooperative Supply Inc.	Fuel/tank	169.64
Corral Auto Repair & Towing	Equipment parts/labor	571.14
Culligan	Equipment/water	100.00
Dept. of Utilities	Services	1,036.23
Doernemann Farm Service Inc.	Grease	69.90
Eakes Office Solutions	Office supplies	408.44
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel	206.49
Financial Services (Lee Enterprise)	Notices	155.38
Frontier	Service	83.71
Patrick Graybill	Beavers	500.00
Terry J. & Carol J. Hahn	Easements	888.00
Herbst Construction Inc.	C19(555)	348,168.11
Howells Journal	Notices	196.58
Jeremy Indra	Beavers	550.00
Jackson Services Inc.	Janitorial supplies	61.54
John Deere Financial	Equipment parts/shop tools	356.08
Kroeger Sand & Gravel Co.	Gravel/hauling	100,323.74
L & P Vavricek Farms, Inc.	Easements	920.00
Leigh Motor Services	Lawn mower	4,861.20
Loup Public Power Dist.	Services	476.33
Gene Macholan	Rock delivery	8,317.98
Main Express LLC	Fuel	158.71
Martin Marietta Materials	Rock	4,283.23
Nancy J. Marty	Postage	21.35
Matheson-Linweld	Oxygen	87.90
NE Assn of County Hwy Supt.	Dues/registration	160.00
Nebraska Machinery Co.	Equipment parts/labor	6,280.07
O'Reilly First Call	Shop supplies	21.99
Occupational Health Services	Screening	327.00
Parkview One Stop	Fuel	747.58
Power Plan	Equipment parts	505.58
Premier Glassworks LLC	Windshield replacement	242.80
Prochaska Tire LLC	Tires/repair/service call/mounting	12,702.96
Prusa Welding	Equipment parts/labor	84.44
Road Builders	Equipment parts	156.13
Sapp Bros. Petroleum, Inc.	Fuel	434.85
Schuyler Cooperative Assn.	Fuel/propane	6,388.53
Stanley Petroleum Maintenance, Inc.	Warnings	218.40
Stanton Telecom	Internet	50.90
Stealth Broadband	Internet	549.99
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	35.00
Verizon Connect	Vehicle tracking	431.75
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	82.89
Village of Howells	Service	101.69
Village of Leigh	Service	22.25

General Fund

Salaries		223,930.83
Daniel Acosta	Cell phones/uniforms	100.00
Clancy Ahrens	Mileage/per diem	86.28
All Makes	Overage	63.12
All Systems	Building repair	598.20
Antelope County Sheriff	BOP	6,205.00

AT&T Mobility	Wireless/air cards	921.32
At-Scene LLC	CrimeFighter subscription	1,155.00
Samantha H. Barnes	Cell phones/uniforms	100.00
Stephanie Bell	Mileage	497.14
Black Hills Energy	Service	265.93
Bomgaars Supply	Lawn care/oil	53.94
Boone County Sheriff's Dept.	Paper service	67.00
Branding Barn LLC	Treasurer/polos	461.96
Jordon A. Brichacek	Cell phones/uniforms	100.00
Butler County Detention Center	BOP	13,350.00
Butler County Health Care Center	Medical expense	4,185.70
Cenex Voyager Fleet	Fuel	3,141.29
CenturyLink	Long distance	68.70
CenturyLink	General	916.66
Lavern Clausen	Danish Lutheran Cemetery	550.00
Clerk of the District Court	Court Costs	37.00
CMRS-FP	Postage	500.00
Colfax County Clerk	Postage	40.75
Colfax County Press	Notice of Election	1,218.00
Colfax County Treasurer	Road transfer	331,379.15
Columbus Carpets Inc.	1/2 of clerk's office carpet	813.33
Comfort Inn	Lodging	359.85
Consolidated Management Co.	Meals	2,032.10
Constellation NewEnergy Gas Division	Service	685.07
Corral Auto Repair & Towing	Towing/vehicle repair	770.00
Culligan	Equipment/water	470.40
DAS State Central Finance	Network service	2,223.07
David City Discount Pharmacy	Pharmacy	72.42
Department of Utilities	Utilities	2,772.39
Department of Revenue	Assessor training	270.00
Didier's Grocery Inc.	Programing supplies	123.08
Eakes Office Solutions	Copier/overage/supplies	1,448.72
Egan Supply Company	Janitorial supplies	235.41
Egis Technologies	Monthly service	6,755.40
Egr, Birkel & Wollmer	Atty's fees	1,410.00
Election Systems & Software	Primary election	3,884.37
Elgin Pharmacy	Pharmacy	154.43
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel	397.40
Financial Services (Lee Enterprise)	Ads	364.26
First Concord Benefits Group LLC	Participation fee	22.50
First Impressions	Table cover/back drop	570.00
Daniel Freed	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00
Garratt-Callahan Co.	Water treatment	487.01
Great American Financial Services	Copier/copies	883.72
Great Plains Communications	Internet/telephone	423.61
Carl Grotelueschen	Mileage	174.20
Hall County Sheriff	Paper service	8.80
Hanel Oil, Inc.	Oil change	115.38
Juana Hanson	Cell phone	75.00
Health & Human Services	Norfolk	93.00
	Beatrice	93.00
Emilee Lynn Higgins	Atty's fees	2,191.25
Holiday Inn of Kearney	Lodging	269.90
Hometown Leasing	Copiers	773.60
Howells Journal	Proceedings/notices	817.63
Indoff	Office supplies	633.81
J & B Auto Parts	Light bulb	9.50
Jackson Services Inc.	Service	113.17
JEO Consulting Group, Inc.	Survey	260.00
Jones Automotive Inc.	Sheriff vehicle setup	388.07
Just Another Mini Mart	Fuel	497.68
Danny W. Kluthe	Mileage/per diem	150.32
Keif C. Kratochvil	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00
Kyle Krula	Mileage/per diem	70.47
Charles Kudera	Mileage/per diem	30.68
Language Line Services	Interpreting	116.82
Alyssa Ledon	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00

Lynn Peavey Co.	Law enforcement supplies	97.93
Madison County Sheriff's Dept.	BOP	1,200.00
Madison National Life Insurance Co.	Life/LTD insurance	114.21
Main Express LLC	Fuel	124.68
Minda McKittrick	Registration	75.00
Cristal Melgar	Mileage	89.65
Shawn Messerlie	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00
Microfilm Imaging Service	Service	290.00
Mid-American Benefits Inc.	Deductible reimbursement	7,123.90
Midwest Service & Sales	Signs	80.00
MIPS	Software support/website	2,970.91
ML Smith Law Office	Atty's fees	987.50
NE Assoc. of County Treasurers	Registration	150.00
Moravec Johnson Mortuary	Transport	500.00
Nebraska Assn. of County Officials	Workshop registrations	375.00
NE Auditor of Public Accounts	Audit	15,997.12
NE Law Enforcement Training Center	Test	10.00
Katelynn Ness	Program supplies/meals/mileage	209.61
NIRMA	CPR classes	702.00
Northeast NE Economic Dev. District	Membership	920.00
Keith Novak	Mileage/per diem	56.66
Occupational Health Services	Screening	50.00
Matthew Papa	Mileage	89.65
Parkview One Stop	Fuel	543.54
Physicians Laboratory PC	Autopsy	2,780.00
Scott Pieper	Mileage/per diem	36.57
Pinnacle Bank	Membership/law & office supplies	3,104.57
Pinnacle Bank	Programming & office supplies/lodging	1,251.51
Platte County Detention Facility	BOP	2,363.12
Platte County	Vet Service contract/reimbursement	2,532.89
Platte County Sheriff	Paper service	19.40
Prochaska Tire LLC	Tires/repair/oil change	1,074.85
Travis Prochaska	Mileage	89.78
QC Supply LLC	Programing supplies	36.34
Quadient Leasing USA Inc.	Leasing	1,045.80
Quill Corp.	Office supplies/chair	808.98
Jacqueline A. Sayers	Mileage/meals	152.52
Schuyler Cooperative Association	Fuel	1,080.84
Schuyler Home & Building Supply	Janitorial supplies	96.22
Mark Shoultz	Mileage/per diem	86.41
Software Unlimited Corp	Criminal case management	2,874.60
Stratton, Delay, Doele, Carlson, Buettner	Public Defender contract	8,333.33
Brett Struebing	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00
Sweet Harvest	Teacher appreciation	290.00
Thomson Reuter-West	Westlaw	637.35
Shane Titus	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	152.00
University of Nebr. Lincoln	Ness reimbursement	12,962.23
Verizon	Cell phone	122.12
Verizon Connect	Vehicle tracking	208.45
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	44.26
Phillip Wendt	Mileage/per diem	75.83
William White	Meals	174.31

Motion Wendt; second Grotelueschen to approve the appointment of Austin G. Forman to Deputy Sheriff with an effective date of April 12, 2024. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to approve the appointment of Justin L. Hesper to Deputy Sheriff with an effective date of April 12, 2024. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Recessed at 9:35 a.m. and reconvened at 9:55 a.m.

The Zoning administrator reported on new permits issued.

An update on the Wolfe/Jetti Project was given. The Agreement was submitted to all parties for their approval. Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to authorize the Chairman to sign the Wolfe/Jetti Project Agreement. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Highway Superintendent reported that his department will be working 10-hour days starting next week. Updates on road projects were given.

The Highway Superintendent presented an Interlocal Agreement for Bridge Replacement Project C19 (567) for Colfax County and Project C84(398) for Stanton County also known as Road Y, between Road 7 and Road 8 in Colfax County. Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to authorize the Chairmen to sign the Interlocal Agreement with Stanton County for Bridge Replacement Project C19(567) and C84(398). Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

A First Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Lower Platte North NRD and Colfax County regarding the Shell Creek Benching Project was reviewed. Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to approve the First Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Lower Platte North NRD and Colfax County. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Sarah Dickmeyer/Schneider Geospatial provided a presentation on their software for GIS.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to adjourn BOC at 11:15 a.m. to meet again May 14, 2024. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. 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 23rd day of April 2024. The County Board of Equalization met at 11:15 a.m. Present were: Carl Grotelueschen, Jim Mejstrik and Terry V. Wendt, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk and Bill White, County Assessor. 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. The availability of the proposed agenda was communicated in the advanced 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 acknowledged one tax list correction submitted by the County Assessor: Property ID: 1209412.17-RE, Statement number: 2349.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to adjourn BOE at 11:25 a.m. 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 24th day of April 2024.


Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk