



# Colfax County Board Minutes



May 9, 2017  
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 9th day of May, 2017. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. Present were: Jeffrey L. Bauman, Jerry Heard and Gil Wigington, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk and Denise J. Kracl, 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 Heard; second Bauman to approve the amended agenda. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington; second Bauman to approve the minutes of 4/25/17. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. 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 and STOP Revenue. Correspondence from Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District providing our membership statement and a return on investment summary was read. The board reviewed correspondence from the NE Nebr. Area Agency on Aging informing the county's share for 2018 Fiscal Year will be \$4,369.00. The 2017/2018 renewal for the health and dental benefits offered to NACO members will have an overall rate increase of 14%.

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 March inmate log from Platte County was provided to the board and placed on file.

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

The vet service officer provided his monthly report to the board and it will be placed on file.

The county attorney gave a report of the activities of her office; next week she will be attending two conferences where she will be receiving the "Excellence in Leadership" award.

The Weed Superintendent gave a report of the activities of his department; the spraying of leafy spurge and under bridges was discussed.

Julia Kreikmeier/Extension gave a report of the activities of her office; currently they are finishing up with the school programs along with preparing for summer workshops. The internet connection for the fair was also discussed.



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The board provided an opportunity for county employee's to attend an "Agenda-less meeting".

Recessed at 9:25 a.m. to resume at 9:30 a.m.

Motion Bauman; second Heard to approve the annual renewal agreement with Trane for the heating/cooling system of the courthouse for the cost of \$3,422.16 (which includes a 3% discount for full payment). Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Wigington to recommend approval for a special designated liquor license on Centennial Park Inc. for an event on June 4, 2017 to be held at the Leigh Fair Grounds. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington; second Bauman to recommend approval for a special designated liquor permit to the Colfax County Ag Society for the county fair activities planned for July 20-23, 2017 at the Leigh Fairgrounds. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Wigington to recommend approval for a special designated liquor license on Timberwolf Lounge and Grill for an event on June 10, 2017 to be held at the Leigh Fair Grounds. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The sheriff provided the signed law enforcement agreement by the Village of Howells to the board. Motion Bauman; second Heard to authorize the chairman to sign the Agreement to provide Law Enforcement Service for the Village of Howells effective May 9, 2017. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Zoning/Flood Plain administrator gave a report of the activities of her department; FEMA sent notification of the revision of the Physical Map Revision (PMR) (scheduled to be issued in October 2017) due to the Village of Howells levee being fully accredited. There will be no planning and zoning meetings held in May, their next meeting will be June 21<sup>st</sup>.

The highway superintendent gave a report of the activities of the road department; an update on bridge and road projects was given. Correspondence from Nebraska Public Service Commission provided dates of public hearings regarding the application of TransCanada's Keystone Pipeline which will be held the week of August 7<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup> in Lincoln. TransCanada's application includes an alternative route that passes through a portion of Colfax County. A notice will be placed in all local newspapers that the planting of crops in public county right-of-way will not be allowed. Discussion was held on creating a maintenance policy on vegetation in ditches.

Motion Wigington; second Bauman to adjourn BOC at 11:00 a.m. and to meet again May 23, 2017. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. 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 9th day of May, 2017. The County Board of Equalization met at 11:05 a.m. Present were: Jeffrey L. Bauman, Jerry Heard and Gil Wigington, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk and Viola Bender, 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. 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.



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The board approved two tax list correction submitted by the assessor - statement #789 and #282.

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

Motion Wigington; second Heard to adjourn BOE at 11:15 a.m. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. 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 10th day of May, 2017.

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Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk