



Colfax County Board Minutes



June 12, 2018
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 12th day of June, 2018. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. Present were: Jeffrey L. Bauman, Jerry Heard and Gil Wigington, 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 Heard; second Bauman to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington; second Heard to approve the minutes of 5/22/18. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Chairman Wigington announced that he will be stepping down as county board chair effective immediately. Motion Heard; second Bauman to accept the resignation of Gil Wigington to serve as county board chair. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington; second Heard to appoint Jeffrey L. Bauman to serve as county board chair and authorize Jerry Heard and Gil Wigington to sign documents in absence of county board chair. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

No report from the general assistance clerk.

The clerk provided the board with a copy of her monthly fees, STOP Revenue received, change of safekeeping receipt with Pinnacle Bank and the NIRMA/NIRMA II 2018-19 Billing Statement.

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 monthly May report.

The treasurer provided a change of safekeeping receipt from Pinnacle Bank.

Public comment was made on a private survey completed on Road 15.

Motion Wigington; second Heard to enter executive session at 8:57 a.m. for legal protection of Colfax County. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Wigington to exit executive session and resume regular session at 9:17 a.m. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. Voting NO: None Motion carried.



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

The county attorney provided a written report where she stated she does not have the final papers for Grant 18-CB-0531 and to defer action until June 26th meeting. The 2018-2021 Three Year Juvenile Comprehensive Plan is completed and needs approval.

Motion Wigington; second Heard to table the grant award from the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice until June 26, 2018. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington; second Bauman to approve the 2018-2021 Three Year Juvenile Services Comprehensive Community Plan for Colfax County. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Villages of Richland and Rogers entering into law enforcement contracts with Colfax County (the Villages of Leigh, Clarkson and Howells currently have law enforcement contracts with the County). The sheriff provided the cost of an additional deputy and a vehicle that would need to be included in the sheriff's 2018-2019 year budget. The sheriff will provide the contracts at our June 26th meeting. Motion Wigington; second Heard to table the Village of Richland and Rogers law enforcement contracts with Colfax County until our June 26th meeting. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The public defender provided the board with a new contract that the board reviewed. Motion Bauman; second Wigington to approve the position of public defender with Bryan C. Meisner of Register Law Office; a two year agreement in the amount of \$64,000.00 per year (\$5,333.33) monthly installments; effective date July 1, 2018. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

Public comment was made on the status of the Letter Of Map Revision.

Recessed at 9:50 a.m. to resume at 10:00 a.m.

The Zoning/Flood Plain administrator gave a report of the activities of her department; she will be attending a workshop on July 19th in Kearney.

Motion Heard; second Wigington to allow CASA Connection the amount of \$10,000.00 for budget year 2018-2019. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Bauman; second Wigington to approve Colfax County's 2018 Safety Manual. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington; second Heard to approve Mary Bailey/District Court Clerk as the signatory for 2018 Child Support documents that are signed by the board so they can be completed online. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington; second Bauman to recommend approval for a special designated liquor license on The Claramont Steak & Chop House/Knuckleheads Bar for an event on June 30, 2018 to be held at the Leigh Fair Grounds. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The highway superintendent and apprentice gave a report of the activities of their department; an update on road/bridge projects was given. The on-site monitoring review of Colfax County's 2017 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) stated that Colfax County's records are well maintained and are in compliance. The commissioners are invited to attend a Shell Creek Watershed Improvement Group meeting June 15th. The bid letting date for the building addition project at the Schuyler road shop will be June 26, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.



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Discussion was held on purchasing a motor grader by state bid. Motion Wigington; second Heard to authorize the purchase of a 2018 motor grader by state bid for the amount of \$246,500.00. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

Motion Heard; second Wigington to adjourn BOC at 11:00 a.m. and to meet again June 26, 2018. 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 12th day of June, 2018. The County Board of Equalization met at 11:03 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.

The practice and procedures of the county assessor's office were made available for all hearings.

The board confirmed June 26, July 5, July 10, July 12 and July 17, 2018, 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 one hearing on appeals filed on personal property at 11:15 a.m. After reading and discussing the appeals with the assessor, the board denied the requests to waive the 10% penalty on the personal property protests filed with the clerk. The owners of the personal property did not attend the hearing.

Motion Wigington; second Bauman to deny the request to waive the 10% penalty on the one personal property protest filed with the clerk. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Bauman; second Heard to adjourn BOE at 11:27 a.m. and to meet again June 26, 2018. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. 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 13th day of June, 2018.

Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk