



Colfax County Board Minutes



September 11, 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 11th day of September, 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 Wigington; second Heard to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Bauman to approve the minutes of 8/28/18. 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 county attorney entered the meeting at 8:35 a.m.

The clerk provided the board with a copy of her monthly fees – no report on STOP Revenue received. Correspondence from NIRMA notifying the Annual Membership Meeting and Luncheon will be October 5, 2018 at the Holiday Inn Hotel and Convention Center in Kearney in conjunction with NIRMA's annual Self Defense conference for County Officials. A thank you to the commissioners for the past several years of support of the Sons of American Legion taking care of Grove Hill Cemetery was read.

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

The vet service officer provided his August Veteran Service Office report which will be placed on file.

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

While reviewing the file during the Colfax County Library Association requesting of funds it was noted a motion was never made after receiving the extensions of interlocal agreement for library service letters in June of 2015 (last letter was received June 15, 2015. Motion Heard, second Bauman to approve the July 1, 2015 through July 1, 2020 extension of Interlocal Agreements with the libraries of Clarkson, Howells, Leigh and Schuyler for continued county support in the fiscal year budget. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Bauman to rescind the motion "to allow the Colfax County Library Association \$30,000.00 contingent upon one commissioner becoming a representative on the Colfax County Library Association that was made July 24' 2018. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Bauman; second Heard to allow the Colfax County Library Association \$30,000.00 provided a written report to be submitted 30 days prior to next year's request of funds. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The County Attorney gave report of the activities of her office.



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The full time position for the Weed Superintendent/Road is currently advertised in the county's four newspapers and Columbus Telegram with September 28th as the last day to accept applications. The applicants that applied for the part-time position were notified of the change to a full-time position.

Recessed at 9:05 a.m. and reconvened at 9:15 a.m.

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

Motion Bauman; second Wigington to open a public hearing at 9:30 a.m. for the purpose of hearing testimony of support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of the taxpayers relating to the county's FY18-19 budget. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Public was present. The clerk presented the final FY18-19 budget document and explained expenditures, revenues, transfers and the property tax request.

Motion Wigington; second Heard to close the public hearing at 9:40 a.m. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Bauman; second Wigington to approve Resolution 9-11-18(1) for Adoption and Appropriations of the FY18-19 county budget. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington; second Heard to open a public hearing at 9:45 a.m. for the purpose of hearing testimony of support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of the taxpayers for approving a tax request different than the prior year tax request. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Public was present. The clerk informed the board that this year's tax request of \$5,412,012.39 will require a levy of .286157 which is lower than last year's levy of .296156.

Motion Wigington; second Heard to close the public hearing at 9:46 a.m. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Bauman; second Heard to approve the Resolution 9-11-18(2) that sets the tax levy request for the current year at .286157. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington second Bauman to approve Resolution 9-11-18(3) that provides a transfer of \$2,645,652.15 from the General Fund to the Road-Bridge Fund. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Bauman second Wigington to approve the resolution 9-11-18(4) that provides a transfer of \$75,000.00 from the General Fund to the Road Sinking Fund. Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Wigington to approve the resolution 9-11-18(5) that provides a transfer of \$23,300.00 from the General Fund to the Attorney Grant Fund. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington; second Bauman to approve the resolution 9-11-18(6) that provides a transfer of \$22,861.35 from the 911 Wireless Fund to the E911 Holding Fund. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.



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Motion Wigington second Bauman to approve the resolution 9-11-18(7) that provides a transfer of \$600,000.00 from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund. 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; contact was made with the Schuyler City Clerk to meet and discuss the Schuyler LOMR project but was told the City of Schuyler was not interested in meeting and the decision is in FEMA's hands to make. The county's engineer reviewed the disk provided by the United States Army of Corps of Engineers and stated the disk did not address the questions the Nebraska Department of Natural Resource had on the letter of map revision. A public hearing to construct a Class 2 Poultry facility will be held September 25th.

Representatives for the Knight of Columbus addressed the board where their organization would fund the cost to display "In God we Trust" within the courthouse. Examples of other courthouses that have the motto displayed were provided. The board suggests they contact Abby Hegemann-Alley/Poyner/Macchietto Architecture for cost and her recommendation.

The highway superintendent gave a report of the activities of his department; an update on road/bridge projects was given. A quarterly summary report will be provided to the board containing information on how our engineering fees are being spent; the clerk will retain a copy of this report so that it can be provided to the public when asked. October 9, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. will be a bid letting date for three culvert projects. Specs of a dump truck were reviewed that would be purchased by state bid.

The board reviewed Resolution 9-11-18(8) to amend the One Year Plan for Highway Improvements that would add Project C19 (482) Road C between Road 2 and Road 3 which is currently closed. Motion Wigington; second Heard to approve Resolution 9-11-18(8) amending the One Year Plan for Highway Improvements by adding Project C19 (482). Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Jason Reiff/Project Manager with Bierman Contracting Inc. provided Proposal Request #03. The change order is for replacing the caulking around all existing windows; the cost is \$13,193.00. Motion Wigington; second Bauman to approve change order #03 on allowing the caulking of all the existing windows in the amount of \$13,193.00. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Bauman; second Wigington to recommend approval for the special designated liquor license on Maximus Lounge LLC (Sammy Super Heroes) for an event on October 20, 2018 to be held at Lutjelusche Cross Country Trail (Fundraiser, 5K Run). Voting YES: Bauman, Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington; second Bauman to recommend approval for a special designated liquor license on Timberwolf Lounge and Grill for an event held on October 6, 2018 to be held at the Leigh Fair Grounds. Voting YES: Heard, Wigington and Bauman. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

Motion Heard; second Bauman to adjourn BOC at 11:04 a.m. and to meet again September 25, 2018. Voting YES: Wigington, Bauman and Heard. 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 11th day of September, 2018. The County Board of Equalization met at 11:04 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 acknowledged receiving a Certification of Final Decision and Order on Case No: 17A 0001.

The board approved one tax list correction submitted by the assessor - statement #1449.

Motion Heard; second Wigington to adjourn BOE at 1107 a.m. 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 12th day of September, 2018.

Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk