



Colfax County Board Minutes



November 13, 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 13th day of November, 2018. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. Present were: Jerry Heard and Gil Wigington, County Commissioners and Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk. Absent: Jeffrey L. Bauman. 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 acting chairman stated a copy of the Open Meeting Act statute is posted and available to the public.

Motion Heard; second Wigington to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Absent: Bauman. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington; second Heard to approve the minutes of 10/23/18. Voting YES: Wigington and Heard. Voting NO: None. Absent: Bauman. Motion carried.

The general assistance clerk gave a report of the activities of her department, no need to enter into executive session.

Motion Heard; second Wigington to enter executive session at 8:32 a.m. regarding personnel issues related to a current county employee. Voting YES: Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Absent: Bauman. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Wigington to exit executive session and resume regular session at 8:53 a.m. Voting YES: Wigington and Heard. Voting NO: None. Absent: Bauman. Motion carried.

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

The clerk provided the board with a copy of her monthly fees, STOP Revenue received, Election Procedures for Voting for NACO Officers, receipt of NIRMA's dividend check which was deposited with the treasurer and Central Community College 2017-2018 Annual report. The NACO 2017-18 fiscal year Audit has been accepted by the NACO Board with a paper copy available by request.

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

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

No report from the county attorney.

The weed position is still open; the person who was going to start on October 29th found another position. David Boschult/Department of Agriculture provided the clerk the annual report that will need to be completed in January.

The deputy treasurer discussed the 2017 & prior delinquent tax list with the board along with a copy of the distress warrant list. Motion Wigington; second Heard to approve the treasurer to write one County Tax Sale Certificates (parcel #028025400). Voting YES: Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Absent: Bauman. Motion carried.



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Recessed at 9:20 a.m. and reconvened at 9:30 a.m.

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

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 a 2.7 percent increase that will take effect December of 2018. The sheriff has provided this information to the entities.

Recessed at 9:45 a.m. and reconvened at 9:55 a.m.

The Zoning/Flood Plain administrator gave a report of the activities of her department; two DEQ notices were reviewed: 1) Mike Dlouhy Feedlot Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation on Modification of NPDES General Permit Coverage; 2) Foghorn Hill, LLC Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation on notice of Application Received. Scott Marty, Sherilyn Hawkins, Jeff and Denise McAfee sent postcards from Alliance for the Future of Agriculture in Nebraska supporting the growth and development of livestock.

Jason Reiff/Project Manager with Bierman Contracting Inc. provided Proposal Request #07 and #8. The change orders are on savings on the landscaping and the third floor door frame. Motion Wigington; second Heard to approve change order #07 where the sprinkler heads and valves were changed but the overall system controller remained; the drip irrigation was eliminated and a rain sensor was added to the existing controller; total cost savings of \$-2,931.00. Voting YES: Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Absent: Bauman. Motion carried.

Motion Wigington; second Heard to approve change order #8 where the existing door frame is solid; the cavity above is filled with a piece of wood and mortar which will be remove and the cavity will be filled with insulation and an angle will be welded to the face of the header to properly seal the insulated cavity; total cost savings of -959.00. Voting YES: Wigington and Heard. Voting NO: None. Absent: Bauman. Motion carried.

The highway apprentice gave a report of the activities of the road department; an update on road/bridge projects was given. The quarterly summary report on our engineering fees was reviewed and will be placed on file with the clerk. A map containing proposed 1 and 6 year projects was reviewed. The highway apprentice also informed the board that he has passed the test to hold a highway superintendent license; a pay increase was discussed and a dollar an hour increase was decided.

The vet service officer provided his October monthly report and gave an update on the activities of his office; County Government Day will be Monday, November 19, 2018. Motion Heard; second Wigington to approve Don Eckstein to fulfill the remainder of Frank Blazek term on the Veteran Service Committee. Voting YES: Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Absent: Bauman. Motion carried.

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

Motion Heard; second Wigington to adjourn BOC at 10:44 a.m. and to meet again November 27, 2018. Voting YES: Wigington and Heard. Voting NO: None. Absent: Bauman. 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 13th day of November, 2018. The County Board of Equalization met at 11:07 a.m. Present were: Jerry Heard and Gil Wigington, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk, and Viola Bender, County Assessor. Absent: Jeffrey L. Bauman. 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 reviewed two Applications for Exemption (Form 457) for Bible Christian Evangelistic Association along with an affidavit from Larry Baldwin, President. Motion Heard; second Wigington to disapprove the two applications for the Bible Christian Evangelistic Association - form 457 request for motor vehicle tax exemption due to not meeting the qualifications for exemption. Voting YES: Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Absent: Bauman. Motion carried.

The board approved two tax list corrections submitted by the assessor - statement #2292 and #2293.

A protest hearing was held on a Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption (Form 458R) for Alice M Svehla; a representative was present at the hearing. The assessor explained the rejection was due to the value of the property exceeds maximum value for the county. Motion Heard; second Wigington to deny the Homestead Exemption Application. Voting YES: Wigington and Heard. Voting NO: None. Absent: Bauman. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Wigington to adjourn BOE at 11:20 a.m. Voting YES: Heard and Wigington. Voting NO: None. Absent: Bauman. 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 14th day of November, 2018.

Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk