April 9, 2024 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 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 Mejstrik to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to approve the minutes of 3/26/2024. 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 8:50 a.m. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

Guidelines of our County Burial policy was reviewed; the Board delayed action pending County Attorney review.

The Clerk provided the board with a copy of her monthly fees and STOP revenue received.

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 Vet Service Officer provided his monthly report and claim reimbursements for March 26, 2024, which will be placed on file.

The Board received a copy of the March Public Defender report which will be placed on file.

The February inmate log from Platte County was provided to the board and will be placed on file.

The Weed Superintendent reported on the weed conference she attended in Kearney.

TJ Prochaska/Extension gave a report of the activities of his department; the Board received the 2023 Nebraska Extension in Colfax County Annual report which will be placed on file. Specific items include 1) Summary of 2022-23 budget expenditures, 2) Current fiscal year 2023-24 budget, 3) County Impact Report, 4) Brief program summary for each educator and assistant/associate, 5) Program summary of Early childhood Extension Educator and 6) Samples of 4-H newsletters and other products that represent 2023 programming.

The County Attorney provided his first quarterly report of the number of criminal filings which will be placed on file. An update on the Wolfe Jetty Project agreement was given. Correspondence from communications on County Road 17 were reviewed.

Public comments were made on County Road 17.

The Board provided an opportunity for county employees to attend an "Agenda-less meeting."

The agreement with JEO Consulting Group, Inc. to provide support staff, a survey truck, and equipment to aid our County Surveyor was reviewed. Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to approve the Survey Support Agreement between JEO Consulting Group, Inc. and Colfax County. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to recommend approval for a special designated liquor permit to K&L Brass Rail, LLC for an event held May 4, 2024, at the Colfax County Fairgrounds. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to recommend approval for a special designated liquor permit to K&L Brass Rail, LLC for an event held May 10, 2024, at the Colfax County Fairgrounds. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

No report/proposal from Egis Technology on Sheriff network improvements.

The Zoning Administrator reported on new permits issued.

Recessed at 10:05 a.m. and reconvened at 10:10 a.m.

The Sheriff and Kim Ennen/Club Manager of Anytime Fitness discussed the HERO membership program with the Board. Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to approve the HERO membership program with Anytime Fitness for all Sheriff's office employees. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Highway Superintendent gave an update on road/bridge projects.

A public comment was made on County Road 17.

One gravel bid was received by the 10:30 a.m. deadline and was publicly opened and read. The Highway Superintendent recommended accepting the bid for the gravel and hauling with Kroeger Sand & Gravel.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to accept the bid for gravel and hauling with Kroeger Sand and Gravel. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Bids for Project C19(567), C19(568) and C19(569) for box culverts that were publicly opened and read by the April 9th - 10:30 a.m. deadline were reviewed. Five companies submitted bids. Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to award the bid to Gus Construction for \$764,905.70. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Michael Ude/Team Mobile for government addressed the Commissioners per phone conference on community outreach and development program CPR3.

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

Motion Wendt; second Grotelueschen to adjourn BOC at 11:05 a.m. to meet again April 23, 2024. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. 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 April 2024.

Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk