



Colfax County Board Minutes



July 14, 2020
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 14th day of July, 2020. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. Present were: Lynton Cattau, Carl Grotelueschen and Jim Mejstrik, 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 Cattau; second Mejstrik to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Cattau, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Mejstrik; second Cattau to approve the minutes of 6/23/2020. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Cattau. 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 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 June 23, 2020 to be placed on file.

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

Colfax County's audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 to be done by the state is scheduled for August; the chairman signed the audit engagement letter.

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

The county attorney entered the meeting at 8:40 a.m.

The weed superintendent gave a report of the activities of his department; he is concentrating on thistles within the county.

The county attorney gave a report of the number of cases filed in court and reviewed the contract with Melissa Griffen/Mental & Behavioral Inc. for a mental health provider for the juvenile services grant. Motion Cattau; second Mejstrik to approve the agreement between Mental & Behavioral Health, Inc and Colfax County to provide mental health service for our juvenile services grant. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Cattau and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

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



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The county treasurer provided the supporting schedule-comparison statement of uncollected taxes as of June 30, 2020 to the board and it will be placed on file.

The board reviewed the budgets submitted from the officials and department heads. 3% was suggested for salary increases.

The sheriff discussed his budget with the board by providing a Firearm budget and requesting additional deputies for patrolling; the board would like to review his rotation schedule with one additional hire. The dispatch access was also discussed and the board's recommendation is to change the access to a key fob access.

The Zoning/Flood Plain administrator gave a report of the activities of her department.

The highway superintendent gave a report of the activities of his department; he will complete the Annual Certification Form of the 2020 Federal Fund Purchase Program with NDOR.

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

Motion Grotelueschen; second Cattau to adjourn BOC at 11:30 a.m. and to meet again July 28, 2020. Voting YES: Cattau, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. 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 14th day of July, 2020. The County Board of Equalization met at 1:00 p.m. Present were: Lynton Cattau, Carl Grotelueschen and Jim Mejstrik, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk, Viola Bender, County Assessor and June Racely, County Appraiser. 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.

Motion Mejstrik; second Cattau to approve the minutes of 6/30/2020 and 7/7/2020. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Cattau. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The board reviewed protests and conducted valuation protest hearings with property owners.

Motion Mejstrik; second Cattau to adjourn BOE at 5:20 p.m. and to meet again July 16, 2020. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Cattau and Grotelueschen. 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 15th day of July, 2020.

Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk