



Colfax County Board Minutes



September 22, 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 22nd day of September 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 Grotelueschen; second Cattau to approve the regular minutes of 9/8/2020. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Cattau. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Dr. Hoelsing/Schuyler Community School superintendent and Charles Misek addressed the board on how the superintendent computes the school budget; handouts of History of Property Values/State Aid and the calculation cost per student/school across the county were reviewed.

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

Julia Kreikemeier /Extension Educator gave a report of the activities of her office; currently she is working on the new hire position which will be an UNL employee. The new phones/internet will be installed by this fall.

The clerk provided the fund balance, July Lodging Tax Revenue, STOP Revenue received and 2020 Nebraska Thriving Index of Rural Futures Institute/University of Nebraska.

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

The county attorney gave a report of the activities of her office. A contract with Elissa Olson to be a mental health provider for the juvenile services grant was reviewed. Motion Cattau; second Mejstrik to approve the contract between Colfax County and Elissa Olson to provide mental health services for our juvenile services grant. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Cattau and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Mejstrik; second Cattau to approve the following claims and issue checks for them. Voting YES: Cattau, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

<u>All Funds</u>		
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	Health Premiums	45,388.18
Ameritas Life Ins. Co.	Retirement Premiums	15,282.91
EFTPS	FICA/Medicare	16,766.27
<u>Attorney Grant Fund</u>		
Salaries		840.00
Schuyler Community Schools	July	4,587.43

911 Wireless Service

Century Link	Service	487.11
Century Link	Service	204.44
Colfax County Treasurer	Transfer to E911 Holding Fund	12,998.86
Frontier	Service	395.18

E911 Fund

Century Link	Service	85.95
Century Link	Service	36.07
Frontier	Service	69.73

ROD P & M Fund

MIPS	Microfilming/Deeds on Line	282.09
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Inheritance Tax Fund

Colfax County Treasurer	Transfer to General Fund	600,000.00
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Road Fund

Salaries		56,759.55
AG 91 Energy LLC	Fuel	2,658.64
Agri-City Insurance Agency LLC	Bond	50.00
All Makes	Copier use fee	12.34
Arps Gravel & Concrete	Fill sand	633.36
Bomgaars Supply	Supplies/equip. parts/chain	189.26
Butler County Landfill, Inc.	Industrial waste	636.03
Cech Excavating, LLC	C19(484)	40,977.50
Century Link	Service	397.79
City of Clarkson	Utilities/armor coat	5,957.91
Clarkson Plumbing & Heating	Shop tools/chemicals	24.58
Cooperative Supply Inc.	Fuel	40.42
Culligan	Water	17.76
Dept. of Utilities	Services	269.35
Doernemann Farm Service, Inc.	Equipment parts/shop supplies	28.03
Eakes Office Solutions	Janitorial/office supplies	100.63
Electronic Engineering	Radio equipment	983.75
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel	79.52
Fremont Sanitation	Service	120.00
Frontier	Phones	118.76
Gehring Construction & Ready-Mix Co.	Concrete	5,994.63
Herbst Construction Inc.	C19(480)	133,932.06
J & B Auto Parts	Equipment parts/shop supplies	432.38
Jackson Services Inc.	Janitorial supplies	37.56
John Deere Financial	Grease	42.40
John's Tire Sales	Tires/mounting	4,520.00
Kit Held Trucking LLC	Hauling	7,644.78
Kroeger Sand & Gravel Co.	Gravel/hauling	22,671.12
Leigh Motor Service	Mower parts	67.65
Loup Public Power-Columbus	Services	421.61
Main Express LLC	Fuel	255.46
Mainelli-Wagner & Associates Inc.	Contract/engineering fees	62,171.02
Martin Marietta Materials	Rock	1,501.92
Nancy J. Marty	Notary fee	30.00
Matheson-Linweld	Oxygen	61.86
Midwest Service & Sales Co.	Equip. parts/labor/grader blades/straw	7,035.28
O'Reilly First Call	Equipment parts	274.99



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Occupational Health Services	Screening	62.00
Parkview One Stop	Fuel	1,205.93
QC Supply LLC.	Shop supplies	14.98
Rowse Auto Detail	Bed liner	525.00
Sapp Bros. Petroleum Inc.	Fuel	746.64
Schieffer Signs	Stripe removal	15.00
Schuyler Cooperative Assn.	Fuel/heating fuel	3,301.63
Ernst Shonka	Clay	24.00
Spencer Quarries, Inc.	Rock	3,446.88
State of NE, Sec. of State	Notary	30.00
Tom's Auto Service	Tire repair	15.00
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	35.00
Vacha Excavating LLC	Rock	2,027.62
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	82.47
John & Barbara Vetti Tr/Janet Chimenti	Easements	710.00
Village of Howells	Service	66.27
Village of Leigh	Service	43.35

General Fund

Salaries		165,838.80
Daniel Acosta	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Americom Communications Corp.	Monthly service/additional lines	1,088.70
Applied Connective Technologies	Adapters/cables	58.25
Viola Bender	Mileage/Meals	161.09
Black Hills Energy	Service	78.70
Jeffrey Black Jr	Uniform/cell	80.00
Bomgaars Supply	Extension cord	7.59
Burke Brown III	Atty's fees	494.00
Butler County Detention Center	BOP	7,450.00
Cenex Voyager Fleet	Fuel	1,884.84
CenturyLink	Extension & Weed	126.73
	General	346.79
CenturyLink Communications	Long distance	12.43
City of Schuyler	Yard waste key	125.00
Clerk of District Court	CI20-78	33.00
Colfax County Treasurer	Road Fund Transfer	327,355.50
Columbus Motor Company	Vehicle repair	1,244.12
Connecting Point	HP printer/cartridges	331.97
Constellation NewEnergy Gas Div.	Service	87.17
Culligan	Equipment/water/salt	306.15
DAS State Account-Central Finance	Network serv	1,550.95
David City Discount Pharmacy	Pharmacy	312.34
Department of Utilities	Utilities	4,140.03
Brenda Dolezal	Mileage/hand sanitizer	58.28
Dugan Business Forms	Imprinting envelopes	934.50
Eakes Office Solutions	Office supplies/copies	1,698.74
Egis Technologies	Monthly service/computers/cable	3,236.20
Egr, Birkel & Wollmer	Atty's fees	6,995.40
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel	189.88
Fiala Automotive Inc.	Oil change	116.20
Daniel Freed	Uniforms/cell phone/meals	118.03

General Reporting Service	Electronic copy	19.50
Great American Financial Services	Copier/copies	128.75
Caleb Hamernik	Uniforms/cell phone/fuel	112.13
Hanel Oil, Inc.	Fuel	18.00
Health & Human Services	Beatrice	93.00
	Norfolk	93.00
Robert Herling	Cemetery maintenance	450.00
Emilee Lynn Higgins	Atty's fees	1,479.15
Holiday Inn of Kearney	Lodging	199.90
Hometown Leasing	Copiers	1,300.35
Howells Journal	Notices/proceedings	470.56
Indoff	Office/janitorial supplies	1,634.39
J & B Auto Parts	Filters	22.15
Jack's Uniforms & Equipment	Uniforms	419.68
Jackson Services Inc.	Service	60.44
Jefferson County Sherriff	Paper service	19.00
John Meidlinger PH.D. PC	Risk assessment	1,200.00
Johns Tire Sales	Tires/repair/mounting	712.44
Just Another Mini Mart	Fuel	564.85
Karel & Seckman	Atty's fees	450.94
Denise Kracl	Mileage	88.55
Julia Kreikemeier	Mileage/program supplies	217.12
Kroeger Body Shop Inc.	Vehicle repair	160.00
Latimer Reporting	Transcript	151.60
Lincoln Journal Star	Notice	20.20
Madison National Life Insurance Co.	Life/LTD insurance	43.36
Main Express LLC	Fuel	263.65
Minda McKitrick	Supplies	12.98
Menards	Office/janitorial supplies	106.38
Shawn Messerlie	Uniform/cell phone	80.00
Microfilm Imaging Service	Service	290.00
Mid-American Benefits Inc.	Deductible reimbursement	4,417.84
Midwest Glass Service Inc.	Building repair	455.00
MIPS	Software support/website	2,941.86
Thomas Morrison	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
NE Real Property Appraiser Board	Renewal	320.00
NE County Assessors Assoc.	Dues	50.00
Nebraska Dept. of Motor Vehicles	Plates for 2018 Explorers	19.80
NE Northeast NE Co Assessors Assoc.	Dues	25.00
Parkview One Stop	Fuel	251.61
Pinnacle Bank	Camera/case	288.72
Pinnacle Bank	Plant Identifier App	29.99
Platte County Detention Facility	BOP	4,600.00
Platte County	Vet Service contract	1,833.33
Platte County Sheriff	Paper service	18.50
Platte Valley Humane Society	Animal care	150.00
Platte Valley Pest Control	Pest control	374.50
Quill Corp.	Office supplies	89.97
June Racely	Registration	189.00
Region 4 Behavioral Health System	2nd quarter	6,827.25
Reinecke Motor Co.	Repair gearshift	27.00
Jose Rodriguez	Atty's fees	598.50
Schuyler Cooperative Association	Fuel	229.32
Schuyler Home & Building Supply	Janitorial supplies	73.87
Mark Shoultz	Zollman Cemetery	250.00
Sioux City Night Patrol	Security	1,710.00



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Sipple/Hansen/Emerson/Schumacher	Atty's fees	1,866.75
Stop Stick LTD	Storage bag	1,117.00
Brett Struebing	Uniform/cell phone	80.00
Shane Titus	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Trouba Law Offices LLC	Contract	5,666.67
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	152.00
Luis Venzor	Uniform/cell phone/fuel	141.91
Verizon	Cell phone	257.87
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	520.13
Working Ecosystems LLC	Air boat rental/chemicals	2,227.25

Motion Grotelueschen; second Cattau to approve the re-appointments of Nancy Schaad and Javier Arizmendi for the Visitor Promo Committee. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Cattau. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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.

The highway superintendent provided an update on road and bridge projects; the bid letting date for Project C19(525) will be October 13, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. A road employee of 31 years will be retiring and his last day with the county will be October 2nd. Discussion was held on the Wolfe's jetti/levy system and if mitigation money is available.

The board reviewed the interlocal agreement to conduct a traffic study for the proposed Highway 30/64 link. Motion Mejstrik; second Grotelueschen to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Platte County with the City of Columbus, Colfax County, Polk County and Butler County to conduct a traffic study for the proposed Highway 30/64 link with Colfax County's share not to exceed \$2500.00. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Cattau, and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Mejstrik left the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

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

Motion Cattau; second Grotelueschen to adjourn BOC at 11:00 a.m. to meet again October 13, 2020. Voting YES: Cattau and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Absent: Mejstrik. 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 22nd day of September, 2020. The County Board of Equalization met at 11:00 a.m. Present were: Lynton Cattau and Carl Grotelueschen, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk and Viola Bender, County Assessor. Absent: Jim Mejstrik, County Commissioner. 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 board acknowledged receiving eight Notice of Appeal's from the Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission: Case No: 20A 0088, 20A 0009, 20A 0010, 20A 0011, 20A 0012, 20A 0013, 20A 0014, 20A 0015. Discussion was held to have a full panel board for the hearings and to hire Edmond Talbot to represent Colfax County Board of Equalization.

Motion Cattau; second Grotelueschen to adjourn BOE at 11:20 a.m. Voting YES: Grotelueschen and Cattau. Voting NO: None. Absent: Mejstrik. 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 23rd day of September, 2020.

Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk