



# Colfax County Board Minutes



November 24, 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 24th day of November 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.

Motion Mejstrik; second Cattau to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Cattau, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Cattau; second Grotelueschen to approve the minutes of 11/10/2020. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Cattau. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The clerk provided the fund balance, September Lodging Tax Revenue, STOP Revenue received and change of safekeeping receipt from Pinnacle Bank. Correspondence from Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice states that the Colfax County Jail facility was determined to be in full compliance with the Standards at the time of the inspection. Cornhusker Public Power District sent notification that they are updating their Hazard Mitigation Plan, which will be approved by FEMA in the fall of 2020.

CASA 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 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 county attorney entered the meeting at 8:55 a.m.

The county attorney gave a report of the activities of her office.

The weed superintendent gave a report of the activities of his department; he received reimbursement from Lower Platte North NRD for spraying of the Platte River and air boat rental.

The sheriff discussed the need to update the departments body cam and car laptops; he is looking at applying for grants to help offset the cost. The board suggested getting quotes and information for the upcoming budget.

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

<u>All Funds</u>		
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	Health Premiums	44,988.18
Ameritas Life Ins. Co.	Retirement Premiums	15,400.36
EFTPS	FICA/Medicare	16,867.36

<u>Attorney Grant Fund</u>		
Salaries		721.00
Good Life Counseling & Support LLC	Service	90.00
Sidnee M. Pavel	Cell phone/mileage	75.00
Schuyler Community School	Truancy wage	4,656.00

911 Wireless Fund

Century Link	Service	487.11
Century Link	Service	206.49
Century Link	Service	2,947.56
Frontier	Service	395.17
Sleuth Systems	Maintenance renewal	11,461.00

E911 Fund

Century Link	Service	85.95
Century Link	Service	36.44
Century Link	Service	679.42
Frontier	Service	69.74

Vet's Aid Fund

Cecil Fields	Mileage	32.32
Duane Schlautman	Mileage	25.88
		58.20

ROD P & M Fund

MIPS	Microfilming/Deeds on Line	282.09
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Road Bridge Fund

Salaries		57,107.06
AG 91 Energy LLC	Fuel	5,069.75
All Makes	Copies	8.28
B's Enterprises Inc.	C19(549)	39,850.50
Bongaars Supply	Equip. parts/shop supplies/tools/bolts	586.39
Century Link	Service	380.31
Circulation Payment Center	Subscription	49.01
City of Clarkson	Utilities	78.30
Clarkson Body Shop Inc.	Replace glass	170.00
Clarkson Plumbing & Heating	Shop supplies	12.08
Columbus Steel Supply, Inc.	Plate	326.39
Cooperative Supply Inc.	Fuel	115.11
Corral Auto Repair & Towing	Equipment parts/labor	855.71
Culligan	Bottled water/cooler	74.63
Dept. of Utilities	Services	213.34
Doernemann Farm Service Inc.	Equipment parts	193.98
Eakes Office Solution	Office/janitorial supplies	153.74
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel/gear lube	113.48
Fremont Sanitation	Service	120.00
Frontier	Service	120.17
Hamernik Plumbing & Well Drilling, Inc.	Nipple	1.74
Hanel Oil, Inc.	Fuel	54.00
Herbst Construction Inc.	C19(480)	309,434.70
Insite Tower LLC	Annual rent	1,152.00
J & B Auto Parts	Equipment parts/additive	682.88
J & L Automotive	Tire repair	20.00
Jackson Services Inc.	Janitorial supplies	37.56
John's Tire Sales	Oil change/tires	376.90
Kit Held Trucking LLC	Hauling	1,622.93
Kroeger Sand & Gravel Co.	Gravel/hauling	51,250.26
Leigh Motor Service	Lawnmower rental	65.00
Loup Public Power-Columbus	Services	419.35
Gene Macholan	Hauling	6,817.20
Main Express LLC	Fuel	133.34



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Mainelli-Wagner & Associates Inc.	Contract/engineering	88,945.54
Martin Marietta Materials	Rock	8,404.40
Matheson-Linweld	Oxygen	61.86
Menards	Janitorial/shop supplies	56.87
Midwest Service & Sales	Culverts/equipment parts	32,738.31
Nebraska Machinery Co.	Equipment parts/oil	3,266.59
NNSWC Landfill	Demolition material	92.77
O'Reilly First Call	Equipment parts/additive	624.79
Occupational Health Services	Screening	285.00
Parkview One Stop	Fuel	1,233.52
QC Supply	Equipment parts/shop supplies	200.93
Road Builders	Equipment parts	903.37
Schuyler Cooperative Assn.	Fuel	1,715.73
Schuyler Home & Building Supply	Rebar/black tar	81.51
Sapp Bros, Inc.	Fuel	528.52
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	35.00
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	81.33
Village of Howells	Service	66.43
Village of Leigh	Service	43.23

## General Fund

Salaries		166,387.58
Daniel Acosta	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Akrs Equipment	Ignition for mower	129.74
Applied Connective Technologies	Camera installation	3,061.60
Robert J. Bender	Per diem	25.00
Viola Bender	Mileage	75.67
Bierman Contracting, Inc.	Restoration project final payment	23,025.60
Black Hills Energy	Utilities	153.02
Jeffrey J. Black Jr.	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Jean Blum	Training/mileage/election	154.65
Bomgaars Supply	Staple gun/staples	21.97
Morgan Campbell	Court expenses	129.84
Cenex Voyager Fleet	Fuel	3,637.67
CenturyLink	Long distance	233.83
CenturyLink	Extension & Weed	129.75
	General	366.39
Clerk of District Court	Court Costs	98.00
Colfax County Court	Court Costs	124.00
Colfax County Press	Election notices/business cards	2,299.80
Colfax County Treasurer	Transfer	327,355.50
Constellation NewEnergy Gas Div.	Service	91.44
Culligan	Bottled water/cooler	296.55
Dakota County Sheriff	Paper service	15.68
DAS State Acct-Central Finance	Network serv #6506 and #6507	1,550.95
David City Discount Pharmacy	Pharmacy	365.43
Dept. of Utilities	Utilities	3,178.02
Didier's Grocery Inc.	Sheriff trunk/treat	147.78
DS Pumping Services Inc.	Septic tank pumped	350.00
Eakes Office Solutions	Office & janitorial supplies/chair	1,360.82
Don Eckstein	Per diem	25.00

Egis Technologies	Monthly service	2,577.80
Egr, Birkel & Wollmer	Atty's fees	6,991.25
Election costs	Poll workers/rental	2,240.50
Electronic Engineering	Radio repair/installation	1,434.70
Michelle Evert	Mileage/tape	29.07
Farmers Union Coop Supply Company	Fuel	471.53
Fiala Automotive, Inc	Oil changes	108.90
Cecil Fields	Per diem	25.00
First Concord Benefits Group	Participation fee	26.85
Ford and Lincoln Protect	Extended service plan	300.00
Daniel Freed	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Gall's Inc.	Safety equipment/uniforms	255.93
Great American Financial Services	Copier/copies	123.37
Great Plains Communication	Internet/road and extension	176.80
Paula Grotelueschen	Training/mileage/election	139.70
Caleb Hamernik	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Juana Hanson	Cell phone	43.80
Health & Human Services	Beatrice	93.00
	Norfolk	93.00
	Lincoln	631.13
Emilee Lyn Higgins	Atty's fees	923.40
Troy Higgins	Training	105.00
Hometown Leasing	Copiers	1,007.21
Howells Journal	Election notices/proceedings	1,612.71
Beverly A. Huerter	Service	227.50
Indoff	Office supplies	106.90
J & B Auto Parts	Battery/wiper blade	160.90
Jackson Services Inc.	Janitorial supplies	100.44
Jenae Jindra	Training/mileage/election	154.65
Janeen Jindra	Training/mileage/election	156.38
Jennifer Joakim	Atty's fees	4,294.00
John's Tire Sales	Tire and vehicle repair	266.64
Marjorie Johnson	Training/mileage/election	174.00
Jones Automotive Inc.	Law enforcement supplies	11.90
Just Another Mini Mart	Fuel	555.12
Deb Karel	Training/mileage/election	173.80
Janis Kasik	Reimbursement of shortage	50.00
Denise Kracl	Mileage/face shields	143.98
Julia Kreikemeier	Program supplies/mileage	767.36
Andrew R. Lange	NSBA dues	169.00
Lincoln Journal Star	Election notices/ad/notices	929.96
Madison National Life Insurance Co.	Life/LTD insurance	48.78
Main Express LLC	Fuel	115.98
Juan Marroquin-Diaz	Witness/mileage	40.70
Minda McKitrick	Water	9.50
Shawn Messerlie	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Microfilm Imaging Service	Service	290.00
Mid-American Benefits Inc.	Deductible reimbursement	2,092.27
MIPS	Software support/computer	4,018.03
ML Smith Law Office	Atty's fees	1,786.00
Thomas Morrison	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Motorola Solutions Inc.	Radio equipment	7,070.90
Rita Mundil	Supplies	14.22
NACo	Membership	450.00
Nebr. Assn. of County Officials	Open meeting poster	5.00
Nebraska Supreme Court	Publication	33.90
O'Reilly First Call	Additive	17.99



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One Office Solution	Typewriter repair	89.00
Cody Parker	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Lambert Perina	Per diem	25.00
Pinnacle Bank Visa	Face masks	159.10
Platte County Detention Facility	BOP	2,600.00
Platte County	Veteran contract	1,833.33
Platte County Sheriff	Paper service	18.00
Positive Promotions	Open house kit	369.79
Quill Corp.	Office supplies	473.34
Radar Shop Inc.	Re-certifications	683.00
Joel Ripke	Training/mileage/election	145.45
Duane Schlautman	Per diem	25.00
Schuyler Cooperative Assn.	Fuel	629.49
Theresa Shonka	Training/mileage/election	139.70
Stanton County Sheriff	Paper service	53.60
Brett Struebing	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Jeanette Sucha	Training/mileage/election	197.95
Lisa R. Svehla	Mileage	32.55
Thomson Reuters-West	West Law	2,073.06
Shane Titus	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Trouba Law Offices LLC	Contract	5,666.67
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	153.76
United States Postal Services	Postage	4,000.00
Greg Vacha	Training/mileage/election	199.10
Luis Venzor	Uniform/cell phone	80.00
Verizon	Cell phone	120.44
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	520.13
Vigilnet	Electronic monitoring	97.30
Shirley T. Wachal	Training/mileage/election	148.90
Wayne's Repair Service	Oil change/rotate tires	69.30
Zee Medical Service Company	Safety kits supplies	54.35

Motion Cattau; second Grotelueschen to approve Homestead Bank, Pinnacle Bank, Citizens Bank and Clarkson Bank as a depository of county funds for year 2021. Voting YES: Cattau, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to designate The Leigh World, Colfax County Press, Schuyler Sun and Howells Journal as newspapers within the county for publication of the official notices with Colfax County Press responsible for publication of the county board minutes for calendar year 2021. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Cattau. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Recessed at 9:55 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

The Zoning/Flood Plain administrator gave a report of the activities of her department; DEE notice on MJM Families R.E. Limited Partnership Animal Feeding Operation for Notice of Application Received was reviewed.

The highway superintendent gave a report of the activities of his office; an update on road/bridge projects was given. An open house will be held in Schuyler this year for comments and concerns on the 1- & 6-Year Road Improvement plan.

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

Motion Mejstrik; second Cattau to adjourn BOC at 10:55 a.m. to meet again December 8, 2020. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Cattau, and Grotelueschen. 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 24th day of November, 2020. The County Board of Equalization met at 11:00 a.m. Present were: Lynton Cattau, Carl Grotelueschen and Jim Mejstrik, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk, Viola Bender, County Assessor and Denise J. Kracl, County Attorney. 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 an Order for Single Commissioner Hearing and Notice of Hearing on Case No: 19A 0078 and 19A 079. A Motion to Continue was filed due to Colfax County Board of Equalization requested a full panel for hearing before the Commission. An Order for Hearing/Notice of Hearing from the Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission: Case No: 19A 0078 and 19A 0079 is acknowledged and will be held March 8, 2021.

Discussion was held regarding the Tax Valuation Inc. contract. The board gave direction to the assessor and county attorney to prepare a letter indicating intent to terminate the contract between Colfax County and Tax Valuation Inc.

Motion Mejstrik; second Cattau to authorize the chairman to sign the letter providing notice of intent to terminate the contract between Colfax County and Tax Valuation Inc. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Cattau. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Mejstrik; second Grotelueschen to adjourn BOE at 11:25 a.m. Voting YES: Cattau, 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 25th day of November, 2020.

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Rita M. Mundil