



Colfax County Board Minutes



February 23, 2021
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 23rd day of February 2021. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. Present were: Carl Grotelueschen, Jim Mejstrik and Terry V. Wendt, 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 Mejstrik; second Wendt to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to approve the regular minutes of 2/09/2021. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The clerk provided the fund balance, STOP Revenue received and December Lodging Tax Revenue.

The vet service officer provided his July 7, 2020 to March 2, 2021 claim reimbursements of services for Colfax County Veterans which will all be placed on file.

Julie Kreikemeier/Extension Educator gave a report of the activities of her office. KateLynn Ness is the new hire for the Colfax County 4-H Assistance position, her start date will be June 1, 2021.

The county attorney entered the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

The county attorney gave a report of the activities of her department; a report of the number of criminal filings was reviewed and will be place on file.

The county attorney reviewed the contract with COR Therapeutic Services, LLC for a mental health provider for the juvenile services grant and the Colfax County Juvenile Plan for 2021-2026. Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to approve the agreement between COR Therapeutic Services, LLC and Colfax County to provide mental health service for our juvenile services grant. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen, second Mejstrik to approve the Colfax County Juvenile Plan for 2021-2026. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

<u>All Funds</u>		
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	Health Premiums	41,155.42
Ameritas Life Ins. Co.	Retirement Premiums	16,454.37
EFTPS	FICA/Medicare	18,173.22
<u>Attorney Grant Fund</u>		
Salaries		1,163.00

Mental & Behavioral Health Inc.	Service	180.00
Sidnee M. Pavel	Cell phone	75.00
Schuyler Community Schools	Truancy	4,656.00
<u>911 Wireless Fund</u>		
CenturyLink	Service	487.11
CenturyLink	Service	207.82
CenturyLink	Service	482.06
Frontier	Service	395.18
<u>E911 Fund</u>		
CenturyLink	Service	85.98
CenturyLink	Service	36.67
CenturyLink	Service	115.18
Frontier	Service	69.73
<u>ROD P & M Fund</u>		
MIPS	Microfilming/Deeds on Line	282.09
<u>Road Fund</u>		
Salaries		59,118.57
AG 91 Energy LLC	Fuel/heating fuel	4,024.33
Agri-City Insurance Agency LLC	Bond	50.00
All Makes	Copies	3.83
Mark L. Arps	CDL/notary	80.00
Beard-Warren Heating & Air Cond. Inc.	Building repair	248.26
Bomgaars Supply	Equip. parts/tools/supplies/mail box	386.27
CenturyLink	Services	80.84
City of Clarkson	Utilities	67.43
Cooperative Supply Inc.	Fuel	114.75
Culligan	Water/cooler	69.85
Dept. of Utilities	Services	1,391.89
Electronic Engineering	Radio equipment	1,111.20
Ernst Auto Center	Equipment parts	90.00
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel	78.85
Fremont Sanitation	Service	120.00
Frontier	Phones	120.61
J & B Auto Parts	Equipment parts/repair/oil	441.96
Jackson Services Inc.	Janitorial supplies	38.66
John's Tire Sales	Tires/service call	641.00
Dale R. Johnson Ent. Inc.	Ice control salt	602.68
Loup Public Power-Columbus	Services	552.89
Gene Macholan	Rock delivery	1,772.28
Main Express LLC	Fuel	55.26
Matheson-Linweld	Oxygen	61.86
Midwest Service & Sales Co.	Blades/culverts/signs	3,454.01
Nebraska Machinery Co.	Equipment parts/labor/grease/oil	1,445.23
Nebraska Salt and Grain Co.	Ice control salt	1,741.18
Occupational Health Services	Annual fee/screening	360.00
Parkview One Stop	Fuel	1,523.53
Power Plan	Equipment parts	304.46
QC Supply L.L.C.	Hand warmers	13.52
Sahling Kenworth	Equipment parts	99.56
Schuyler Cooperative Assn.	Fuel/propane	3,844.68
Schuyler Home & Building Supply	Sand	7.98
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	35.00
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone/l pad	115.12



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Village of Howells	Service	67.51
Village of Leigh	Service	43.25

General Fund

Salaries		180,494.83
Daniel Acosta	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Breanna Anderson-Flaherty	Atty's fees	389.50
Antelope County Sheriff	Paper service/BOP	1,856.00
Beard-Warren Heating & Air Cond. Inc.	Building repair	241.98
Viola Bender	Postage	65.85
Black Hills Energy	Service	449.20
Jeffrey Black Jr.	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Bomgaars Supply	Siren box	10.22
Burke Brown III	Atty's fees	399.00
Butler County Detention Center	BOP	10,700.00
Butler County Sheriff	Paper service	18.00
Cenex Voyager Fleet	Fuel	2,357.13
Century Link	General	317.55
Century Link Communications	Long distance	186.25
CHI	Medical	449.00
Clarkson Motor Company	Jump start	4.83
Clerk of the District Court	Court Costs	72.00
Colfax County Court	Court Costs	252.00
Colfax County Press	Notices/proceedings	1,283.20
Colfax County Sheriff	Uncollected fees	37.00
Colfax County Treasurer	Road transfer	327,355.50
Constellation NewEnergy Gas Div.	Service	1,073.48
Culligan	Water/equipment	281.05
DAS State Account - Central Finance	Network service	1,596.95
David City Discount Pharmacy	Pharmacy	146.82
Department of Utilities	Utilities	3,164.68
Brenda Dolezal	Mileage/postage	52.36
Douglas County Sheriff	Paper service	10.54
Dugan Business Forms	Early voting envelopes	912.00
Eakes Office Solutions	Office/janitorial supplies	402.55
Egan Supply Company	Janitorial supplies	501.84
Egis Technologies	Monthly service/HD disposal	2,886.80
Egr, Birkel & Wollmer	Atty's fees	503.50
Electronic Engineering	Programming	95.00
ESRI Inc.	Maintenance	2,200.00
Michelle Evert	Wastebaskets	29.81
Mary Ellen Faltys	Supplies	22.25
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel	342.65
Fiala Automotive, Inc.	Oil change	74.05
First Concord Benefits Group LLC	Participation fee	30.00
Daniel Freed	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Gall's Inc.	Uniforms/two carriers	871.07
Great American Financial Services	Copier/copies	150.70
Caleb Hamernik	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Juana Hanson	Cell phone/mileage	96.06
Health & Human Services	Norfolk	93.00
	Beatrice	93.00

Emilee Lynn Higgins	Atty's fees	649.80
Hometown Leasing	Copiers	705.43
Howells Journal	6-month report	150.00
Beverly A. Huerter	Transcript	133.25
Idemia Identity & Security USA LLC	Finger printing identification	3,800.00
Indoff	Office & janitorial supplies	936.38
J Brian Wessling DDS PC	Dental	243.00
Jackson Services Inc.	Service	89.94
John's Tire Sales	Oil change/tire repair	191.85
Just Another Mini Mart	Fuel	163.67
Kansas Highway Patrol Car Fund	2019 Durango	28,850.00
Karel & Seckman	Atty's fees	52.25
Denise Kracl	Mileage/supplies/airfare	328.89
Julia Kreikemeier	Mileage/program supplies	562.34
Lincoln Journal Star	Notices	71.70
Madison National Life Insurance Co.	Life/LTD insurance	99.68
Main Express LLC	Fuel	575.17
Minda McKitrick	Supplies	36.38
Shawn Messerlie	Uniforms/cell phone/broom/mop	111.00
Microfilm Imaging Service	Service	290.00
Mid-American Benefits Inc.	Deductible reimbursement	2,318.84
MIPS	Software support/website	2,941.86
Thomas Morrison	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
NACO Planning & Zoning	Dues	40.00
NE State Fire Marshall/Boiler Div.	Certificate	36.00
Nebraska Assoc. of County Clerks	Dues	75.00
Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center	Tuition	360.00
Nebraska Public Health Service System	Blood tests	210.00
NJJA	Registration	140.00
Occupational Health Services	Screening	148.00
Cody Parker	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Physicians Laboratory PC	Autopsy	355.00
Pinnacle Bank	Timeclock Plus license	960.00
Platte County Detention Facility	BOP	3,100.00
Platte County	Vet Service contract/reimbursements	2,842.11
Platte County Sheriff	Paper service	31.93
Jill Pokorny	Books	63.12
Carrie Rodriguez	Books	63.12
Schuyler Chamber of Commerce	Dues	50.00
Schuyler Cooperative Association	Fuel	559.26
Schuyler Home & Building Supply	Materials	70.25
Sipple/Hansen/Emerson/Schumacher	Atty's fees	236.95
Brett Struebing	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Thomson Reuter-West	Westlaw	1,246.03
Shane Titus	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Trouba Law Offices LLC.	Contract/attorney fees	5,666.67
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	153.76
US Cellular	Cell phone	134.97
Luis Venzor	Uniforms/cell phone	80.00
Verizon	Cell phone	120.52
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	560.14
Vigilnet	GPS	41.70
Wahltek, Inc.	Contract	2,320.00
Zee Medical Service Company	Supplies for safety kits	142.65



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The board reviewed a proposal/contract to upgrade the IT contract with Egis Technologies due to the increase number of devices in the courthouse. Monte V. Monteagle/Egis Technologies was present to answer any questions. Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to approve the IT contract with Egis Technologies. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Recessed at 9:50 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to open a public hearing at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of hearing testimony of support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observation for a conditional use application by Cara Ahrens-Emerson to build a 2nd residence to an existing farmstead in a A-1 Agricultural Preservation District located in the North East Quarter South East Quarter (NE1/4 SE1/4) of 40 acres in Section 4, Township 19N, Range 2E, East of the 6th P.M. (Principal Meridian) of Colfax County, State of Nebraska. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The zoning administrator included in her report that the applicant wants to build a 2nd residence to an existing farmstead. Notice has been posted and published and all fees have been paid. It is the recommendation of the planning commission to approve the conditional use application.

No opposition to the conditional use application was given.

Motion Wendt; second Grotelueschen to close the public hearing at 10:05 a.m. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Mejstrik second Wendt to accept the recommendation of the planning commission and approve the conditional use application by Cara Ahrens-Emerson. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Clerk of District Court provided the board written information on Legislative Bill 102. This bill is trying to merge county court and district court. The hearing date of this bill is February 25, 2021. She is requesting the boards support of opposition to LB102. The clerk magistrate stated she supports the stance of the Chief Justice and is in support of LB102.

Public comment was made on using funds from the Cares Act to lease a solar power message board to help with signage at the testing and vaccination sites.

The highway superintendent gave a report of the activities of his department; an update of road/bridge projects was given. March 23, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. will be the bid letting date for "Colfax County Aggregate Hauling". The bid process will also be done when he purchases a motor grader due to state bid is not available for motor graders.

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

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to adjourn BOC at 11:05 a.m. to meet again March 9, 2021. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. 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 24th day of February, 2021.

Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk

