



Fillmore County Board Minutes



November 23, 2021

The Fillmore County Board of Supervisors convened in open and public session at 9:06 a.m., November 23, 2021, in the Boardroom of the Courthouse in Geneva, Nebraska with Chairman Neiman presiding. Members present were Noel, Graham (absent until 9:50 a.m.), Sluka, Harre, Cerny, and Lightwine. The County Clerk was present to record the minutes of the meeting.

Notice of the meeting was given by publication. A copy of the publication is on file in the County Clerk's office. All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. Agenda was approved as presented. The Chairman noted that the public meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and available for public distribution if requested. The meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

MINUTES APPROVED

Chairman of the Board, Neiman declared the minutes from the November 9, 2021 meeting approved as presented.

HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE

Emergency Manager, Jean Engle submitted a resolution to adopt the updated Little Blue NRD and Lower Big Blue NRD Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Lightwine moved and Noel seconded the introduction of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #2021 – 40

WHEREAS, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 was signed in to law on October 30, 2000, placing new emphasis on state and local mitigation planning for natural hazards and requiring communities to adopt a hazard mitigation action plan to be eligible for pre-disaster and post-disaster federal funding for mitigation purposes; and

WHEREAS, a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan was prepared by the Little Blue Natural Resources District and the Lower Big Blue Natural Resources District, with assistance from JEO Consulting Group, Inc. of Lincoln, NE; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the mitigation plan was to lessen the effects of disasters by increasing the disaster resistance of the Natural Resources Districts and participating jurisdictions located within the planning boundary by identifying the hazards that affect Fillmore County and prioritize mitigation strategies to reduce potential loss of life and property damage from those hazards; and

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency and FEMA reviewed and approve the Little Blue Natural Resources District and the Lower Big Blue Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update as of October 25, 2021; and

WHEREAS, FEMA regulation require documentation that the plan has been formally adopted by the governing body of Fillmore County in the form of a resolution and further requesting approval of the plan at the Federal Level; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the governing body of Fillmore County does herewith adopt the FEMA approved Little Blue Natural Resources District and the Lower Big Blue Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update in its entirety.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted.

CLAIMS



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The claims were presented for payment. The following abbreviations describe the expenditures: Equip – equipment, HDM's – home delivered meals, Insur – insurance, Main – maintenance, Mtgs – meetings, Mile – mileage, Misc – miscellaneous, Post – postage, Pro – proceedings, Rep – repairs, Ret – retirement, Ser – service, SS – social security, Sup – supplies, Uti – utilities, Wksh – workshop expense.

GENERAL FUND:

AT & T Mobility	Uti	745.90
Bockstadter & Glen Law, LLC	Ser	213.75
Charm-Tex, Inc.	Sup	69.36
Communications Engineering, Inc.	Ser	235.50
Cornerstone Bank	SS	5,269.33
Diane Deepe	Ser	160.00
Diebold Nixdorf, Inc.	Rep	292.84
Diode Technologies	Rep, Ser	748.50
Eakes Office Solutions	Sup	53.89
Sharon Elznic	Mtgs, Mile	30.68
Patricia I. Engle	Meal	11.81
Erdkamp Motors	Rep	9,881.92
Fillmore County Hospital	Ser	1,824.48
Fillmore County Sheriff	Fees	153.13
Fillmore County Treasurer	Transfer	260,000.00
First Concord Benefits Group, LLC	Ser	37.50
Geneva Family Dentistry	Ser	173.00
Geneva Home Center	Sup, Rep	1,328.94
Geneva Senior Center Foundation, Inc.	CASA pass thru	4,810.00
Geneva Super Foods	Sup	1,183.54
Geneva Tire and Auto, Inc.	Rep, Main	699.53
Richard Girmus	Mtgs, Mile	21.72
Matt Hafer	Mtgs, Mile	23.96
Matt Harre	Mtgs, Mile	32.92
Hope Crisis Center	budget request	7,272.00
Justin Kuntz	Ser, Mile	317.49
Madison National Life Insurance Co.	Insur	24.97
Midwest Connect	Sup	37.00
MIPS, Inc.	Ser	37.50
Morley Most	Mtgs, Mile	32.92
Amber Mulbery	Ser, Mile	311.22
Murray Law PC, LLO	Ser	285.00
National Association of Counties	Dues	450.00
Nebraska Association of Count Officials	Dues	2,170.09
Nebraska Institute of Forensic Sciences, Inc.	Ser	2,000.00
Nebraska Public Power District	Uti	842.95
Reg Noel	Mtgs, Mile	31.80
Precision Signs & Graphics, LLC	Sup	230.00
Dr. Wayne Price	Ser, Mile	520.00
Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas	Ret	5,048.11
Saint Louis University	Ser	287.00
Seward County Detention Center	boarding prisoners	1,430.00
Skalka & Baack Law Firm	Ser	142.50
State of Nebraska DAS State Accounting	Ser	43.88
State of Nebraska Health & Human Srvc	October patient care	183.00
Svehla Law Offices, PC	Ser	189.00
Verizon Wireless	Ser	424.97
Weaver Pharmacy	Sup	482.32
Daniel Werner	Ser	44.00
WEX Bank	Fuel	3,278.47
Payroll	Salaries	75,891.40

ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:



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Ace Irrigation & Manufacturing	Culverts	7,935.70
Beatrice Concrete Co., Inc.	Gravel/Rock	26,516.45
Bi-Versal Service, LLC	Ser	115.00
C & M Supply, Inc.	Fuel	1,055.71
Constructors, Inc.	Rep	129,354.97
Cornerstone Bank	SS	2,709.09
Cummings Sales and Service	Main	785.00
Erdkamp Motors	Equip	31,650.00
Farmers Cooperative	Fuel	7,367.57
Geneva Home Center	Sup	106.92
Geneva Super Foods	Sup	26.76
Grafton Mini-Mart	Fuel	119.34
Nebraska Public Power District	Uti	276.17
Newman Traffic Signs	Sup	8,861.62
Perennial Public Power District	Uti	98.77
Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas	Ret	2,401.41
Speece Lewis Engineers	Ser	4,291.72
Verizon Connect NWF, Inc.	Uti	582.84
Verizon Wireless	Uti	41.02
Village of Exeter	Uti	22.25
Village of Fairmont	Uti	46.41
WEX Bank	Fuel	1,198.19
Payroll	Salaries	36,153.11

INHERITANCE TAX FUND:

Lutz & Company, PC	Ser	1,907.50
Deloris M. Stengel Estate	Refund	15,794.96
Woods Aitken, LLP	Ser	4,285.66

911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND:

Andrews Electric Co., Inc.	Rep	257.50
Windstream	Uti	33.67

AG SOCIETY BUILDING FUND:

Union Bank & Trust Co.	Ser, Interest	2,324.00
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CLAIMS APPROVED

Harre moved and Cerny seconded the motion to approve the claims presented. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

LANDSCAPING AROUND THE COURTHOUSE FOUNTAIN

After review of estimate from Faller Landscape, Board requested to get on their list for Spring and will review the number of plants.

DISCUSSION REGARDING ARPA FUNDS

Clinton Foutch, employee with road department asked what the County was going to do with the ARPA funds they received. As a spokesman for the road employees discussed giving a bonus or using to put restrooms in the county shops that didn't have one. After discussion, the Board informed him that they are currently looking to use the funds to expand broadband to all the towns within the county.

SURPLUS ITEMS



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After discussion, Lightwine moved and Noel seconded the motion to surplus the 2010 CAT 12M motor grader and five (5) drag lifts as surplus. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

TRAFFIC STUDY ON 4TH STREET / A STREET FOR SPEED LIMIT

Highway Superintendent, Pat Halbur informed the Board that she had received the numbers from the traffic study on 4th Street / A Street from Speece Lewis with the highest speed over the three (3) week period at 40 to 45 mph. Per the regulations, a speed limit of thirty (30) mph was suggested.

LOWERING SPEED LIMIT

After discussion, Sluka moved and Graham seconded the introduction of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #2021 - 41

In accordance with the standards set forth in the Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices, as from time to time amended, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of Fillmore County, Nebraska to establish and maintain proper consistent highway signing in conformity with said manual,

The Fillmore County Highway Department therefore requests formal approval to place, erect, and maintain traffic control devices on Fillmore County Roads at the following location:

<u>TYPE OF DEVICE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
30 mph SPEED ZONE sign	Located in Section 1, Stanton Township, starting approximately 575 ft. West of the intersection of 6 th St. and D St. (within Geneva City limits), continuing West on D St. around curve onto S. 4 th Street, thence, continuing around the curve to A Street ending at Road 12

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Graham, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the resolution adopted.

OTHER ROAD DEPARTMENT DISCUSSION

Pat Halbur, Highway Superintendent informed the Board that both bridges on Road L between Road 20 and Road 21 will need to be replaced to keep the road open. After discussion with landowners, the Board will start the process of closing the west bridge and to have Speece Lewis Engineers size the east bridge.

The bid letting for overhead doors at county shops in Fairmont, Exeter, Milligan, Ohioa, Shickley, and Grafton will be held at 9:45 a.m. on December 28, 2021.

Pat informed the Board on Road L between Road 24 and Road 25 the culvert is silted shut and that the waterway on private land needs to be cleaned to keep the culvert open.

DISCUSSION WITH INTERIM SHERIFF JULICH



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Interim Sheriff Julich met with the Board to give an update with transition and request additional lights be placed on the deputies' vehicles for safety including a spotlight.

UPDATE FROM SENATOR TOM BRANDT

Senator Tom Brandt reviewed legislation that was passed during last session as well as a few bills that will be coming up in short session beginning January 5, 2022. Senator also discussed the redistricting process, and that District 32 had a few little changes, but nothing that affected Fillmore County.

ADJOURN

As there was no other business to come before the Board, Sluka moved and Graham seconded the motion to adjourn until 9:05 a.m., December 14, 2021. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Graham, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Attest

Chairman