



Fillmore County Board Minutes



May 24, 2022

The Fillmore County Board of Supervisors convened in open and public session at 9:07 a.m., May 24, 2022, in the Boardroom of the Courthouse in Geneva, Nebraska with Chairman Sluka presiding. Members present were Noel, Neiman, Graham, 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 12:41 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED

Chairman of the Board, Sluka declared the minutes from the May 9, 2022, meeting approved as presented.

NOXIOUS WEED DISCUSSION REGARDING POISON HEMLOCK

Noxious Weed Superintendent, Todd Boller informed the Board that he has located poison hemlock within Fillmore County and would like permission to go to Rapid City, SD and pickup bio control agent. After discussion, the Board agreed to allow Todd to do this.

CLAIMS

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 | Ut | 533.60 |
| Auto Value Parts Stores | Rep | 211.26 |
| Axon Enterprises | Main agreement | 4,854.60 |
| Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska | Insur | 60,124.93 |
| Chappell Roofing, Inc. | Rep | 578.57 |
| Charm-Tex, Inc. | Sup | 844.50 |
| Mel Coetzee | Wksh | 30.00 |
| Cornerstone Bank | SS | 5,467.42 |
| Jill R. Cunningham | Meals | 65.96 |
| Encartele, Inc. | Commissary | 150.00 |
| Jordan Engle | Misc | 15.00 |
| Patricia I Engle | Meals | 34.72 |
| Fillmore County Med Center | Ser | 47.43 |
| Fillmore County Sheriff | Fees | 26.18 |
| Fillmore County Treasurer | Ser | 10.00 |
| First Concord Benefits Group, LLC | Ser | 37.50 |
| First Concord Group, Inc. | Insur | 1,332.92 |
| First Wireless, Inc. | Uti, Main | 4,703.85 |
| Fortify Group | Misc | 40.00 |
| Geneva Home Center | Sup, Rep | 468.82 |
| Geneva Super Foods | Sup | 808.55 |
| Geneva Tire and Auto, Inc. | Rep | 95.00 |
| GeoComm | Main | 4,447.00 |
| gWorks | Main | 18,108.58 |
| Kalkwarf & Smith Law Offices, LLC | Ser, Post, Mile | 3,165.06 |
| Kelch Plumbing, Heating & Refrigeration | Equip, Rep | 6,569.15 |
| Kopchos Sanitation, Inc. | Uti | 148.75 |
| LaQuinta By Wyndham | Lodging | 338.85 |
| Madison National Life Insurance Co. | Insur | 24.97 |
| MIPS, Inc. | Equip, Ser | 1,795.28 |
| Cody Myers | Misc | 15.00 |



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| NE Association of County Clerks, Register Of Deeds & Election Commissioner | Wksh | 125.00 |
| Nebraska Fire Sprinkler | Ser | 535.00 |
| Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center | Wksh | 72.00 |
| Nebraska Public Power District | Uti | 1,345.82 |
| Mariah Newmyer | Mile | 359.19 |
| 911 Custom | Ser | 5,990.00 |
| Noel Lawn Care | Ser | 624.98 |
| Conner Nun | Misc | 25.00 |
| Tanner Nun | Misc | 25.00 |
| Platte Valley Communications | Equip | 2,353.05 |
| Precision Signs and Graphics, LLC | Graphics | 1,680.00 |
| Quadient Finance USA, Inc. | Post | 700.00 |
| Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas | Ret | 5,239.10 |
| S & S Worldwide, Inc. | Sup, Wksh | 130.96 |
| Seward County Independent | Ad | 100.00 |
| State of Nebraska DAS State Accounting | Ser | 43.88 |
| State of Nebraska Health & Human Serv. | April patient care | 180.00 |
| 34 Electric, LLC | Rep, Ser | 225.00 |
| Brandy VanDeWalle | Lodging, Meals, Mile | 221.73 |
| Verizon Wireless | Uti | 320.08 |
| Village of Grafton | Misc Election | 55.00 |
| Village of Shickley | Misc Election | 35.00 |
| Weaver Pharmacy | Sup | 230.46 |
| WEX Bank | Fuel | 3,830.30 |
| Windstream | Uti | 144.60 |
| York County Assessor | VSO Ser | 10,000.00 |
| Zito Media | Uti | 70.32 |
| Poll Worker | Salaries | 4,945.44 |
| Payroll | Salaries | 78,791.74 |

ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:

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| AT & T Mobility | Uti | 46.62 |
| Beatrice Sand and Gravel | Gravel | 4,374.03 |
| C & M Supply, Inc. | Fuel | 1,458.94 |
| Cornerstone Bank | SS | 2,560.41 |
| Farmers Cooperative | Fuel | 2,430.59 |
| Geneva Home Center | Rep | 42.99 |
| Geneva Super Foods | Sup | 8.43 |
| Grafton Mini-Mart | Fuel | 84.00 |
| Grafton Oil, Inc. | Fuel | 1,989.12 |
| gWorks | Ser | 3,023.00 |
| Kopchos Sanitation, Inc. | Uti | 55.00 |
| Martin Marietta | Rock projects | 15,719.22 |
| Nebraska Public Power District | Uti | 293.64 |
| Perennial Public Power District | Uti | 89.77 |
| Raka Rentals | Rental | 406.00 |
| Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas | Ret | 2,266.19 |
| Speece Lewis Engineers | Ser Fee | 3,724.32 |
| Spring Creek Repair & Farm Supply | Sup | 495.00 |
| Verizon Connect NWF, Inc. | Uti | 80.42 |
| Wex Bank | Fuel | 3,332.48 |
| Payroll | Salaries | 34,141.55 |

INHERITANCE TAX FUND:

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| Heartland Bank Trust, Successor Trustee Of the Audrey B. Nichols trust | Refund | 233.26 |
| Midwest Connect | Equip | 5,200.00 |
| Woods Aitken, LLP | Ser | 867.00 |



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911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND:

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| Lichti Oil | Fuel | 117.48 |
| Nebraska Public Power District | Uti | 159.76 |
| Nemaha County Sheriff's Office | Uti | 93.32 |
| Windstream | Equip, Rep | 1,966.90 |

911 WIRELESS SERVICE FUND:

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| Nemaha County Sheriff's Office | Uti | 217.72 |
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AG SOCIETY BOND FUND:

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| Union Bank & Trust | Principal & Interest | 8,050.00 |
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CLAIMS APPROVED

Harre moved and Lightwine seconded the motion to approve the claims presented. 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.

SUBAWARD AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF LINCOLN FOR SERVICES REGARDING THE OLDER AMERICANS ACT

Senior Services Director, Brenda Motis submitted an email regarding the purchases that the Fairmont and Geneva Senior Centers applied for with this agreement. Fairmont was awarded funds to help purchase and install a new commercial dishwasher and Geneva was awarded funds for a commercial refrigerator, steam table, commercial ice machine, and laptop computer for a total award of \$15,340.00.

Harre moved and Graham seconded the motion to approve the subaward agreement with the City of Lincoln for services regarding the Older Americans Act allowing funds to transfer through the County. 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.

SURPLUS MISCELLANEOUS COMPUTER AND OFFICE EQUIPMENT

After discussion, Neiman moved and Lightwine seconded the motion to surplus miscellaneous computer and office equipment and to dispose of at the electronic recycling on June 6, 2022. 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.

PRINT VENDOR FOR LB 644

After discussion, Cerny moved and Noel seconded the motion to select the Nebraska Print Shop as the vendor for LB 644 / LB 1250 (postcard bill). 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.

HEALTH INSURANCE FOR 2022 / 2023



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After discussion, Harre moved and Lightwine seconded the motion to remain with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska for fiscal year 2022/2023 selecting the \$1,600.00 deductible plan (changed from \$1,500.00 deductible from BCBS). 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.

DISCUSSION REGARDING CASH-IN-LIEU PROGRAM FOR HEALTH INSURANCE

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

RESOLUTION #2022 - 11

WHEREAS, the Supervisors of Fillmore County consent to adoption of Cash-In-Lieu as an option to our group medical insurance available to the elected officials and full-time employees of Fillmore County, Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, those elected officials and full time employees of Fillmore County, Nebraska electing to participate in the Cash-In-Lieu option, after presenting notice of Proof of Coverage and submitting a signed Affidavit of Other Coverage to the Supervisors of Fillmore County, Nebraska be eligible for said cash-in-lieu benefits in the amount of \$650.00 monthly, beginning July 1, 2022.

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE FILLMORE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that the Cash-In-Lieu Option offered by First Concord Benefits Group be offered to those elected officials and full-time Fillmore County employees wishing to participate according to the above requirements. Said Cash-In-Lieu payment shall be addressed as monthly income and all withholding requirements will be administered accordingly.

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.

ROAD DEPARTMENT DISCUSSION

Pat Halbur, Highway Superintendent informed the Board that she is getting a quote to add extra outdoor lighting to the pole shed/noxious weed building.

FILLMORE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORP UPDATE

Eric Johnson, Fillmore County Development Director shared the link to the new website and gave an update on membership and other projects that he is currently working on.

CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER SERVICE AGREEMENT

After discussion, Neiman moved and Graham seconded the motion to approve Child Advocacy Center Service Agreement beginning July 1, 2022. 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.

DISCUSSION REGARDING APRIL STORM



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Emergency Manager, Jean Engle and Chief Deputy, Mark McFarland informed the Board that we need to update several battery backup solutions, get the network room on the generator, discussed a plan to ensure that there is access to fuel for the 911 tower generator, and discussed the repairs that are needed on the 911 tower after the windstorms.

DISCUSSION REGARDING COMMUNICATIONS AND RECORDING EQUIPMENT

Chief Deputy and Emergency Manager submitted a quote for a digital 911 recorder for the dispatch center.

After discussion, Neiman moved and Noel seconded the motion to approve the purchase of a new 911 recorder in the amount of \$29,234.00. 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.

PROBATION AND SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA DRUG COURT UPDATE

Ashley Griess, Chief Probation Officer and Chris Reece, Problem Solving Court Coordinator provided a yearly review and budget request of \$1,822.50 for the Southeast Nebraska Adult Drug Court for fiscal year 2022/2023.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA ADULT DRUG COURT

After discussion, Lightwine moved and Cerny seconded the motion to approve the interlocal agreement with Saline, Jefferson, Thayer, Fillmore, and Gage counties for the Southeast Nebraska Adult Drug Court beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023. 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.

DISCUSSION WITH GLENWOOD REGARDING CURRENT BROADBAND PROJECT AND NEW GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Stan Rouse, CEO/General Manager and Jacob Hull, Director of Operations informed the Board that Glenwood started the ARPA broadband project in Grafton and will be moving to Shickley and then build north. Stan informed the Board that there will be several grant opportunities over the next year and wondered if the county would be interested in adding funds to the next grant which is due the first part of July. The Board had discussion and would like to think it over and have further discussion at the June 14th meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Sluka moved and Neiman seconded the motion that the Fillmore County Board of Supervisors hold an executive session at this time pursuant to Section 84-1401, Reissue, Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, for the protection of the public interest and consider in executive session receiving advice from legal counsel on a personnel matter authorized by Statute to be discussed in executive session. 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 and requested that Pam Bourne, legal counsel, County Attorney, and County Clerk remain. Executive session began at 11:38 a.m.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Lightwine moved and Graham seconded the motion to return to open session at 12:00 p.m. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:



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

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

The Chairman declared the motion carried and requested that Pam Bourne, legal counsel, County Attorney, County Sheriff, and County Clerk remain. Executive session began at 12:01 p.m.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Neiman moved and Graham seconded the motion to return to open session at 12:39 p.m. 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.

ADJOURN

As there was no other business to come before the Board, Graham moved and Neiman seconded the motion to adjourn until 9:05 a.m., June 14, 2022. 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