



# Fillmore County Board Minutes



September 27, 2022

## **BRYANT TOWNSHIP BUDGET HEARING**

Opened public hearing at 8:30 a.m. for the Bryant Township budget hearing. The Board reviewed the budget documents and had some discussion among them. As no one appeared to testify for or against, therefore Chairman Sluka closed the hearing at 8:44 a.m.

## **GENEVA TOWNSHIP BUDGET HEARING**

Opened public hearing at 8:45 a.m. for the Geneva Township budget hearing. The Board reviewed the budget documents and had some discussion among them. As no one appeared to testify for or against, therefore Chairman Sluka closed the hearing at 8:59 a.m.

## **COUNTY BUDGET HEARING**

The hearing on the county's budget for 2022/2023 was opened at 9:00 a.m. as advertised. County Board and Clerk reviewed the budget documents. Greg Scellin with the Nebraska Signal was present for discussion, no one appeared to testify for or against, therefore Chairman Sluka closed the hearing at 9:13 a.m.

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The Fillmore County Board of Supervisors convened in open and public session at 9:14 a.m., September 27, 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 9:58 a.m.

## **MINUTES APPROVED**

Chairman of the Board, Sluka declared the minutes from the September 13, 2022, meeting approved as presented.

## **2022 – 2023 COUNTY BUDGET ADOPTED**

Neiman moved and Graham seconded the introduction of the following resolution:

### **RESOLUTION 2022 – 22**

**WHEREAS**, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, prepared by the Budget Making Authority, was transmitted to the County Board on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of Fillmore County, Nebraska as follows:

Section 1: That the budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, as categorically evidenced by the Budget Document be, and the same hereby is, adopted as the budget for Fillmore County for said fiscal year.

Section 2: That the offices, departments, activities, and institutions herein named are hereby authorized to expend the amounts herein appropriated to them during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.

Section 3: That the income necessary to finance the appropriations made and expenditures authorized shall be provided out of the unencumbered cash balance in each fund, revenues other than taxation to be collected during the fiscal year in each fund, and tax levy requirements for each fund.

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 resolution adopted.

## SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST

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

### RESOLUTION 2022 – 23

**WHEREAS**, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that the Governing Body of the Fillmore County Board of Supervisors passes by a majority vote a resolution setting the tax request; and

**WHEREAS**, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Governing Body of the Fillmore County, resolves that:

1. The 2022 – 2023 property tax request be set at:
 

i. General Fund	\$ 5,408,541.94
ii. Road Building Fund	\$ 178,290.43
iii. Ag Society Building Fund	\$ 77,202.13
iv. Hospital Operating Fund	\$ 100,000.00
2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year’s total assessed value by 1.97 percent.
3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes from last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property, would be \$0.206471 per \$100 of assessed value.
4. The Fillmore County proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be \$0.237804 per \$100 of assessed value.
5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of Fillmore County will increase last year’s budget by 8.71 percent
6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2022.

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.

## 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:

Aging Partners	Misc	16.76
Amazon Capital Services	Equip, Sup, Misc	860.87
AT & T Mobility	Uti	1,029.71
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	Insur	69,380.60
Bockstadter & Glen Law, LLC	Ser	629.91



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City of Geneva	Uti	1,476.20
Cornerstone Bank	SS	5,750.29
Jill Cunningham	Mile, Meal	154.93
Exeter Senior Center	USDA Reim	16.10
Fairmont Aging Services	USDA Reim	91.70
Fillmore County Hospital	Ser	2,594.69
Fillmore County Medical Center	Ser	18.54
Fillmore County Sheriff	Fees	178.89
Fillmore County Treasurer	Transfer	300,000.00
Fillmore County Wellness Inc.	Rep	231.91
First Concord Benefits Group, LLC	Ser, Insur	1,769.30
Geneva Home Center	Sup, Rep	238.59
Geneva Senior Center Foundation	USDA Reim	420.00
Geneva Super Foods	Sup	1,701.79
Madison National Life Insurance Co.	Insur	168.43
MIPS, Inc.	Ser	75.00
Nebraska Public Power District	Uti	1,878.63
Mariah Newmyer	Mile	12.50
Platte Valley Communications	Equip	516.30
Quadient, Inc.	Ser	162.00
Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas	Ret	5,489.74
Seward County Detention Center	Boarding prisoners	916.87
State of Nebraska DAS State Accounting	Ser	448.00
State of Nebraska DAS Central Finance	Ser	43.88
State of Nebraska Dept of Correction	Equip	30.00
Brandy VanDeWalle	Wksh	75.00
WEX Bank	Fuel	2,829.54
Payroll	Salaries	82,965.21

## ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:

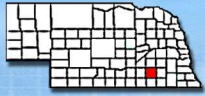
AT & T Mobility	Uti	46.83
Aurora Cooperative Elevator Co.	Fuel	2,398.70
B's Enterprises, Inc.	Equip	13,580.00
Certified Truck & Trailer, Inc.	Rep	73.57
Chaney Chemical, Inc.	Rep	12.00
Cornerstone Bank	SS	2,639.15
Diamond Mowers, LLC	Equip	141,310.23
Fairfield Inn	Lodging	245.90
Friesen Chevrolet, Inc.	Equip	39,620.00
Geneva Home Center	Sup	5.59
Geneva Super Foods	Sup	20.57
Grafton Mini-Mart	Fuel	75.05
Grafton Oil, Inc.	Fuel	1,745.42
John Deere Financial	Rep, Parts	88.53
Lichti Oil	Fuel	8,053.97
Nebraska Public Power District	Uti	395.75
Newman Signs, Inc.	Signs, Sup	7,220.83
Perennial Public Power District	Uti	228.80
Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas	Ret	2,312.22
Speece Lewis Engineers	Ser	13,053.38
WEX Bank	Fuel	4,836.46
Payroll	Salaries	34,968.89

## 911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND:

Nemaha County Sheriff's Office	Ser	4.11
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## 911 WIRELESS FUND:

Nemaha County Sheriff's Office	Ser	10.05
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## CLAIMS APPROVED

Neiman moved and Lightwine seconded the motion to approve the claims as 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.

## ADDITIONAL BUDGET AUTHORITY FOR BRYANT TOWNSHIP

Neiman moved and Graham seconded the motion to authorize up to one percent (1%) additional budget authority for fiscal year 2022/2023 as allowed by statute for Bryant Township. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

## BRYANT TOWNSHIP 2022/2023 BUDGET

Graham moved and Cerny seconded the motion to approve the 2022/2023 Bryant Township budget as advertised and presented. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

## AUDIT WAIVER FOR BRYANT TOWNSHIP

Noel moved and Neiman seconded the motion to request an audit waiver for the 2021/2022 fiscal year for Bryant Township. 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.

## ADDITIONAL BUDGET AUTHORITY FOR GENEVA TOWNSHIP

Graham moved and Cerny seconded the motion to authorize up to one percent (1%) additional budget authority for fiscal year 2022/2023 as allowed by statute for Geneva Township. 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.

## GENEVA TOWNSHIP 2022/2023 BUDGET

Graham moved and Cerny seconded the motion to approve the 2022/2023 Geneva Township budget as advertised and 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.



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## AUDIT WAIVER FOR GENEVA TOWNSHIP

Graham moved and Noel seconded the motion to request an audit waiver for the 2021/2022 fiscal year for Geneva Township. 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.

## OCCUPY COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY PERMIT

Harre moved and Cerny seconded the motion to approve the following occupy county right-of-way permit as presented by the Highway Superintendent:

Glenwood Telecommunications, Inc. – bury fiber optic cable along Road F, Road I, Road J, Road C, Road D, Road E, Road 16, Road 17, Road 18, Road 21, and Road 23 within Fairmont, Exeter, Madison, and Liberty Townships (full permit available in Clerk’s office). The owner will cooperate fully with the officials of Fillmore County and keep them fully and immediately informed of all construction or maintenance work required in the county right-of-way.

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.

## ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF YEAR END REPORT

Lightwine moved and Graham seconded the motion to approve the annual certification of year-end report for period of July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

## ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE TO NEBRASKA BOARD OF PUBLIC ROADS CLASSIFICATIONS AND STANDARDS

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

### RESOLUTION 2022 – 24

**WHEREAS:** State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2510(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards; and

**WHEREAS:** State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification of program compliance by each county shall be signed by the County Board Chairperson and shall include the resolution of the governing body of the county authorizing the signing of the certification.

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that the County Board Chairperson of Fillmore County is hereby authorized to sign the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance form.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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



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The Chairman declared the resolution adopted.

## **ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE TO NEBRASKA BOARD OF PUBLIC ROADS CLASSIFICATIONS AND STANDARDS 2021**

After discussion, Cerny moved and Lightwine seconded the motion to approve the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance to Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards 2022 as follows:

In compliance with the provisions of the State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2510(2), requiring annual certification of program compliance to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, the County of Fillmore hereby certifies that it:

- ✓ Has developed, adopted, and included in its public records the plans, programs, or standards required by sections 39-2115 and 39-2119;
- ✓ Meets the plans, programs, or standards of design, construction, and maintenance for its highways, roads, and streets;
- ✓ Expends all tax revenue for highway, road, or street purposes in accordance with approved plans, programs, or standards, including county and municipal tax revenue as well as highway-user revenue allocations;
- ✓ Uses a system of revenue and costs accounting which clearly includes a comparison of receipts and expenditures for approved budgets, plans, programs, and standards;
- ✓ Uses a system of budgeting which reflects uses and sources of funds in terms of plans, programs, or standards and accomplishments;
- ✓ Uses an accounting system including an inventory of machinery, equipment, and supplies;
- ✓ Uses an accounting system that tracks equipment operation costs;
- ✓ Has included in its public records the information required under subsection (2) of section 39-2510; and
- ✓ Has included in its public records a copy of this certification and the resolution of the governing body authorizing the signing of this certification by the County Board Chairperson

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, Cerny moved and Graham seconded the motion to adjourn until 9:05 a.m., October 11, 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.

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Chairman