

The Fillmore County Board of Supervisors convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m., February 27, 2024, in the Boardroom of the Courthouse in Geneva, Nebraska with Chairman Neiman presiding. Members present were Noel, Sluka, 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 and 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. The 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 10:50 a.m.

MINUTES APPROVED

Chairman of the Board, Neiman declared the minutes from the February 13, 2024, reorganization and regular meeting approved as presented.

AGREEMENT WITH GLENWOOD TELECOMMUNICATIONS FOR BRIDGE ACT FUNDING

Jennifer Reiman, Human Resources Manager with Glenwood presented an agreement regarding the match portion for the Bridge Act grant in the amount of \$1,072,211.54 to expand broadband throughout the county that was awarded in January.

After discussion, Sluka moved and Lightwine seconded the motion to approve the agreement with Glenwood Telecommunications and allocating \$250,000.00 from Inheritance Tax toward the required match (Glenwood putting in remainder of match). 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.

UPDATE ON TAX SALE WITH COUNTY TREASURER

County Treasurer, Darcy Nun informed the Board that the tax sale will be March 4th and presented them with a list of unpaid taxes as of today.

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:

Action Auto Supply	Rep	32.13
Amazon Capital Services	Sup, Equip	990.13
Applied Connective Technologies	Sup	73.50
AT & T Mobility	Uti	1,298.85
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	Insur	67,991.65
CIDNET	Sup	300.00
Cornerstone Bank	SS	5,772.98
Crossroads Awards	Sup	84.00
Erdkamp Motors	Main	211.22
Exeter Senior Center	USDA Reim	28.70
Fairmont Aging Services	USDA Reim	174.30
Fillmore County Treasurer	Transfer	75,000.00
First Concord Benefits Group, LLC	Ser	25.00
Geneva Senior Center Foundation	USDA Reim	343.00
Hamilton County Sheriff	Ser, Boarding prisoner	1,911.60
Intoximeters, Inc.	Sup	96.50
Johnson Controls	Rep	5,798.33
Kalkwarf & Smith Law Offices, LLC	Ser, Uti, Post	3,304.25
KBK Creative Designs	Sup	187.00
Madison National Life Insurance Co.	Insur	165.59
Mid-American Research Chemical	Sup	433.00
Midwest Card & ID Solutions	Main	2,250.00
Nebraska Association of County Clerks, Register of Deeds & Election Comm.	Dues	50.00
Nebraska Association of County Officials	Wksh	40.00
Nebraska Association of Emergency Mngt	Wksh	110.00
Nebraska Door & Window, LLC	Rep	190.00
Nebraska Public Power District	Uti	900.07
Nebraska Signal	Ad	57.00
Quadient Finance USA, Inc.	Post	700.00
Quadient Leasing USA, Inc.	Ser	948.63
Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas	Ret	5,672.23
Secretary of State – Election Division	Sup	10.00
Security Equipment, Inc.	Ser, Rep	1,063.49
Sid Dillon	Rep	1,723.92

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Skalka, Baack, & Fiala Law Firm	Ser	1,296.54
State of Nebraska DAS State Accounting	Ser	196.00
Svehla Law Offices	Ser	943.00
State of Nebraska – NE State Patrol	Ser, Main	636.00
University of Nebraska	Equip	2,876.79
Brandy VanDeWalle	Wksh	75.00
WEX Bank	Fuel	2,673.91
Winzer	Sup	231.06
Woodward's Disposal Service, Inc.	Ser	50.00
York County Sheriff's Office	Ser	6.50
Payroll	Salaries	84,238.53

ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:

Amazon Capital Services	Equip, Sup	157.57
AT & T Mobility	Uti	46.86
B's Enterprises, Inc.	Rep, Parts	3,445.00
C & M Supply, Inc.	Fuel	1,322.12
Cornerstone Bank	SS	2,614.96
Farmers Cooperative	Fuel	8,794.43
Geneva Home Center	Parts, Sup	244.87
Grafton Mini-Mart	Fuel	77.40
Jim's Repair	Parts	5.41
John Deere Financial	Parts, Main	812.58
Lichti Oil	Fuel	2,167.68
McCormick's Heating & A/C, Inc.	Rep	1,353.46
Mid-Nebraska Aggregate, Inc.	Gravel	5,210.10
Nebraska Public Power District	Uti	559.97
Nichols Construction	Gravel	2,602.88
Perennial Public Power District	Uti	137.47
Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas	Ret	2,191.05
Riverside Portables, LLC	Ser	240.00
Speece Lewis Engineers	Ser	6,621.25
34 Electric, LLC	Rep	195.44
US Bank, CPS	Post	14.48
WEX Bank	Fuel	3,842.69
Payroll	Salaries	34,560.02

911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND:

CenturyLink	Uti	1,613.90
Nebraska Public Power District	Uti	231.40
Windstream	Uti	1,741.67

CLAIMS APPROVED

Lightwine moved and Noel 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.

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR MANNING RAIL FOR THE 2024 CRISI GRANT

After discussion, Harre moved and Graham seconded the motion to write a letter of support to the Federal Railroad Administration for Manning Rail for the 2024 CRISI grant funding for the Southeastern Nebraska Agricultural Supply Chain Efficiency Project. 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

After review, Sluka moved and Graham seconded the motion to approve the following occupy county right-of-way permit as presented by the Assistant Highway Superintendent:

Nebraska Department of Natural Resources – install a streamgage by the NW ¼ NW ¼ of Section 8 at the intersection of Road 8 and Road B, West Blue Township. 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.

SURPLUS SMALL TOOLS, MISC SHOP ITEMS, TIRES, AND CULVERTS

After discussion, Harre moved and Sluka seconded the motion to surplus the list of small tools and miscellaneous shop items, old culverts, and old tires and sell them at the Saline Center sale on March 17th. 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 SNOW REMOVAL POLICY FOR EMERGENCY SNOW REMOVAL FROM OUTSIDE VENDORS

After discussion, Sluka moved and Cerny seconded the motion for Emergency Snow Removal policy to allow only those individuals or companies contacted by the Road Department will be allowed to submit bill for removing snow and will be paid at the FEMA rates. 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.

MOWING BIDS

Mowing bids were opened at 9:45 a.m., as advertised. The following bids were received:

COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING EAST BIDS

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
Bi-Versal Services	\$3,600.00	\$3,744.00	\$3,894.00

STRANG EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BUILDING BIDS

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
Bi-Versal Services	\$950.00	\$988.00	\$1,027.00

COUNTY SHOP BIDS

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Exeter</u>	<u>Fairmont</u>	<u>Geneva</u>	<u>Grafton</u>	<u>Ohiova</u>	<u>Shickley</u>	<u>All Shops</u>
Bi-Versal Services							
	2024	\$950.00	\$950.00	\$950.00	\$950.00	\$950.00	\$5,700.00
	2025	\$988.00	\$988.00	\$988.00	\$988.00	\$988.00	\$5,928.00
	2026	\$1,027.00	\$1,027.00	\$1,027.00	\$1,027.00	\$1,027.00	\$6,162.00

CEMETERY BIDS

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Horton</u>	<u>Antioch</u>	<u>Franklin Union</u>	<u>Pleasant Ridge</u>	<u>Fairview</u>
Bi-Versal Services	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$600.00	\$800.00	\$600.00

<u>All Cemeteries</u>	<u>2025 for all Cemeteries</u>	<u>2026 for all Cemeteries</u>
\$2,800.00	\$2,912.00	\$3,028.00

MOWING BID LETTING

Harre moved and Lightwine seconded the motion to accept bids and to award Bi-Versal Services for the three-year contract to mow all the cemeteries, County office building east and County shops. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

CHAIRMAN APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Neiman appointed the following as liaisons for the following departments: Cerny & Graham for Building/Grounds, Custodians; Harre, Lightwine, and Neiman for Emergency Manager & 911 Committee; Noel & Sluka for Senior Services; Cerny, Neiman, and Noel for Roads; Graham and Harre for Noxious Weeds; and Lightwine & Sluka for Veterans Service and Zoning.

ADJOURN

Agenda item quote for carpet at Extension Office will be discussed at the next meeting. As there was no other business to come before the Board, Harre moved and Graham seconded the motion to adjourn until 9:05 a.m., March 12, 2024. 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.

Attest

Chairman