

BRYANT TOWNSHIP BUDGET HEARING

Opened public hearing at 8:40 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 Neiman closed the hearing at 8:49 a.m.

GENEVA TOWNSHIP BUDGET HEARING

Opened public hearing at 8:50 a.m. for the Geneva Township budget hearing. The Board reviewed the budget documents and had some discussion among them. Greg Scellin with the Nebraska Signal was present for discussion, no one appeared to testify for or against, therefore Chairman Neiman closed the hearing at 8:59 a.m.

COUNTY BUDGET HEARING

The hearing on the county's budget for 2024/2025 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 Neiman closed the hearing at 9:13 a.m.

The Fillmore County Board of Supervisors convened in open and public session at 9:14 a.m., September 24, 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 was adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

MINUTES APPROVED

Chairman of the Board, Neiman declared the minutes from the September 10, 2024, meeting approved as presented.

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:

A Street Auto Parts Southwest	Sup	21.92
AT & T Mobility	Uti	962.84
B & J Automotive, LLC	Main	243.80
Bingocize	Sup	1,208.00
Cornerstone Bank	SS	6,127.23
Farmers Cooperative	Fuel	45.70
Fillmore County Hospital	Ser	213.90
Fillmore County Sheriff	Fees	181.30
Fillmore County Treasurer	Transfer	125,000.00
First Concord Benefits Group, LLC	Ser, Insur	2,453.60
Geneva Home Center	Sup, Equip	674.98
Geneva Tire & Auto, Inc.	Rep, Tires	472.76
Hamilton County Sheriff's Office	Boarding prisoners	1,250.00
John V. Hodge	Ser	1,569.75
Jims U-Save Pharmacy	Sup	28.00
Krueger Land Surveying	Ser	1,472.50
Madison National Life Insurance Co.	Insur	184.41
Nebraska County Officials Association	Wksh	40.00
Nebraska Public Employees Retirement	Ret	281.85
Nebraska Public Power District	Uti	2,295.79
Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas	Ret	6,084.34
State of Nebraska DAS State Accounting	Ser	196.00
State of Nebraska Health & Human Serv	Aug Patient care	93.00
Brandy VanDeWalle	Lodging	425.60
Washington County Sheriff Office	Boarding prisoners	910.00
WEX Bank	Fuel	2,755.27
Payroll	Salaries	88,516.25

ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:

Ace Irrigation & Manufacturing	Culverts	5,748.40
AT & T Mobility	Uti	46.86
Beatrice Sand & Gravel	Gravel	11,192.96
Bi-Versal Services, LLC	Ser	2,164.29
Blue Valley Door Co., Inc.	Rep	225.00
C & M Supply, Inc.	Fuel	1,290.86
Cornerstone Bank	SS	2,761.71

Donrich Machine & Driveline	Rep	62.57
Geneva Home Center	Parts, Sup	43.93
Grafton Mini-Mart	Fuel	79.35
Grafton Oil, Inc.	Fuel	2,108.65
Harre Seed, Inc.	Gravel	21,065.00
Meyer Supply	Sup	60.30
Nebraska Public Power District	Uti	397.91
Perennial Public Power District	Uti	96.97
Kylie Reinsch	Sup	78.22
Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas	Ret	2,369.80
Riverside Portables, LLC	Ser	240.00
Sapp Bros, Inc. – York	Fuel	8,042.64
Verizon	Ser	504.30
WEX Bank	Fuel	1,759.78
Payroll	Salaries	36,608.01

911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND:

Nebraska Public Power District	Uti	197.86
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911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND:

CenturyLink	Uti	3,119.92
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CLAIMS APPROVED

Harre 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.

EAST BUILDING LANDSCAPING REPAIR

Supervisor Lightwine presented an estimate to fix the landscaping at the East Building due to drainage issues as addressed from the Safety Committee from Turner Landscape for \$1,836.57. After discussion, the Board approved Turner Landscape to complete this project.

CREATE HRA INSURANCE PETTY CASH ACCOUNT WITH CORNERSTONE

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

RESOLUTION #2024 - 17

WHEREAS, there is a continued need for a petty cash fund for the purpose of making payments for health reimbursement deductible expenses, AND

WHEREAS there is a need for the County Clerk to have funds available to make the health reimbursement deductible expenses to the vendor, AND

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Fillmore County Board of Supervisors hereby establish the petty cash fund balance in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the HRA Insurance account and invoices will be submitted to reimburse the County Board.

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.

JOHNSON CONTROL BID TO REPAIR HVAC SYSTEM FOR COURTROOM

After review and discussion, Cerny moved and Graham seconded the motion to approve the quote from Johnson Controls to repair the HVAC systems that controls the courtroom in the amount of \$11,148.01. 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.

AMENDED & RESTATED AGREEMENT FOR REGION V COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAM AND REGION 5 SYSTEMS

After review, Harre moved and Noel seconded the motion to approve the amended and restated agreement for Region V Community Human Services Program and Region 5 Systems 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.

AMENDED & RESTATED AGREEMENT FOR THE FORMATION OF REGION V COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAM AND APACE

After review, Harre moved and Sluka seconded the motion to approve the amended and restated agreement for the formation of Region V Community Human Services Program and Apace 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.

HEARING TO SET FINAL TAX REQUEST FOR 2024 – 2025

Chairman Neiman opened the public hearing to set the final tax request for fiscal year 2024/2025 at 10:19 a.m. County Clerk reviewed the differences from last fiscal year to this fiscal year. Hearing was closed at 10:29 a.m. as no one was present for the hearing.

EXTENSION OFFICE UPDATE AND BUILDING & GROUNDS REQUESTS

Brandy VanDeWalle gave the Board an update of what she has been working on over the last couple of months. She also requested that the raised flower beds be repaired and to create a pollinator garden.

ADDITIONAL BUDGET AUTHORITY FOR BRYANT TOWNSHIP

Sluka moved and Cerny seconded the motion to authorize up to one percent (1%) additional budget authority for fiscal year 2024/2025 as allowed by statute 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.

BRYANT TOWNSHIP 2024/2025 BUDGET

Graham moved and Noel seconded the motion to approve the 2024/2025 Bryant 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.

AUDIT WAIVER FOR BRYANT TOWNSHIP

Sluka moved and Graham seconded the motion to request an audit waiver for the 2023/2024 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

Cerny moved and Noel seconded the motion to authorize up to one percent (1%) additional budget authority for fiscal year 2024/2025 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 2024/2025 BUDGET

Harre moved and Graham seconded the motion to approve the 2024/2025 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.

AUDIT WAIVER FOR GENEVA TOWNSHIP

Sluka moved and Noel seconded the motion to request an audit waiver for the 2023/2024 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.

GENEVA TOWNSHIP BILL

After discussion, Graham moved and Lightwine seconded the motion to approve the bill from Geneva Public Library for Geneva Township in the amount of \$150.00 for October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025. 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.

2024 – 2025 COUNTY BUDGET ADOPTED

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

RESOLUTION 2024 – 18

WHEREAS, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, prepared by the Budget Making Authority, was transmitted to the County Board on the 24th day of September 2024.

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, 2024, to June 30, 2025, 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, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025.

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:

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 Noel seconded the introduction of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024 – 19

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 2024 – 2025 property tax request be set at:

i. General Fund	\$ 5,776,613.72
ii. Road Building Fund	\$ 182,066.43
iii. Ag Society Building Fund	\$ 68,186.84
iv. Hospital Operating Fund	\$ 108,363.79
2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 10.78 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 \$0.213297 per \$100 of assessed value.

4. The Fillmore County proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be \$0.219047 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 **decrease** last year's budget by 7.29 percent
6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2024.

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.

ADJOURN

Agenda items "Annual maintenance agreement for HVAC Systems at Courthouse" will be discussed further at the next meeting. As there was no other business to come before the Board, Graham moved and Sluka seconded the motion to adjourn until 9:05 a.m., October 8, 2024. 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