



# Gage County Board Minutes



The Gage County Board of Supervisors met on June 2, 2021, at 8:46 a.m. with Terry Jurgens, Emily Haxby, Don Schuller, Erich Tiemann, Eddie Dorn, Dennis Byars and Gary Lytle present.

Notice of said meeting was posted at the County Clerk’s Office and published prior to the meeting in compliance with State Statutes.

Let the record show that all proceedings are electronically recorded.

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Chairman Tiemann announced that a complete copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted at the back of the Board of Supervisors Room.

Consent Agenda included the following items: 1. General Agenda; 2. Minutes from previous meeting and committee meetings; 3. claims audit in the amount of \$514,884.03, which does not include claim #21060075 to Hard Rock Quarries, LLC in the amount of \$397.81 and claim #21060079 to R.L. Tiemann Construction in the amount of \$4,400.54, to be voted on separately; 4. approve correspondence received and place on file.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount Allowed</u>
Courthouse Employees	Salaries	138,124.59
AT&T Mobility Accounts, LLC	Shf veh modem switchovers	304.87
BASWA – Beatrice Area Solid Waste	Rubbish disposal	18.00
Beatrice Board of Public Works	Utilities	5632.38
Beatrice Humane Society	Qtrly funding	4250.00
Black Hills Energy	Utilities	485.98
Bob Barker Company, Inc.	Inmate provisions	391.06
Capital Business Systems, Inc.	Copier maint.	317.00
City of Beatrice	Qtrly Probation utilities	1800.72
City of Wymore	Qtrly EMS svcs.	10,000.00
Clerk of District Court	St. & Shf fees, docket fees	455.00
Consolidated Management Co.	Shf dpty meals at training	254.29
Dawson Co. Sheriff	Housing inmates	900.00
Dell Financial Svcs.	Shf laptop leases	191.15
Dept. of Correctional Svcs.	Boarding inmates, medical	3275.44
Doide Technologies	Hwy camera svc. call	115.00
Eakes Office Solutions	Offc. supplies	43.99
Sandra Eltiste	Prior svc. retirement	12.00
First Wireless	EM svc. agrmnt.	450.00
Garcia Clinical Laboratory	Inmate medical	68.00
GWorks	Assr. GIS tech support, WebGIS subscription	12,755.00
Hamm Glass	Cths s entrance door glass	424.00
David Henning	Pioneer cemetery maint.	500.00
Homestead LEPC	Dues	217.99
Hometown Leasing	Atty copier lease	138.82
Intoximeters, Inc.	Equip.	836.75
Jerry Shelton, Atty	Atty fees	5355.00
Joyce Kassing	Prior svc. retirement	20.00
Konica Minolta	Ext. Offc. copy fees	639.39
Lincoln Journal Star	Publications	600.40
Marshall & Swift/Boeckh, LLC	Valuation svc.	656.20
NACO	Co. Bd. wkshp	85.00
NASASP	Mbrshp	39.00



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Naylor, Rappl Law Office, PC LLO	Atty fees, mlg.	2489.83
NE Health & Human Svcs.	Patient care, eval.	901.13
NE Secretary of State – Notary Div.	Atty clk notary renewal	30.00
Nelson, Clark & Timan, PC LLO	Public Defender	6346.15
Nestor, Mercure Attys at Law	Atty fees	3132.00
Northeast Auto	Towing	120.00
O’Neill Ins., Inc.	Atty clk notary bond	50.00
Odell Vol. Fire & Rescue	Qtrly EMS svc.	1500.00
Personnel Evaluation, Inc.	Pre-employment check	39.70
Physicians Laboratory, PC	Autopsy expns.	1169.00
Plymouth Electric & Auto	Parts, labor	601.07
Priority Printing	ROD env.	68.60
PV Business Solutions	OSHA journal	298.50
Quill – Ext.	Offc. supplies	183.35
Region V Systems	EPC billing	2782.00
Kristine Riekenberg	Grand jury transcript	514.50
Secretary of State	Cert. copies	140.00
Spectrum	Jail cable TV	174.29
Staples	Shf. offc. supplies	246.58
Stephen Kraviec, PC LLO	Child Suppt. Enf. Atty.	2283.86
Summit Food Svc., LLC	Jail meals	5897.21
The Wymore Arbor State	Publications	445.39
TK Elevator Corp.	Elevator maint.	232.58
U.S. Bank – Purchase Cards	Supplies, travel, fuel, equip.	1877.30
U.S. Post Svc. – Postmaster	Weed Dept. stamps	165.00
Verizon Wireless	Emer Mgmt cell phones	229.27
Village of Adams	Qtrly EMS svc.	4500.00
Windstream – Prob. Omaha	Phones	119.27
Windstream – Prob. Wilber	Phones	46.80
Windstream – Ext.	Phones	591.35
Windstream – Fillmore Co. Prob.	Phones	407.43
Windstream – Hwy Dept.	Phones	441.40
Windstream – Shf.	Phones	1343.08
Windstream – Cths.	Phones	8131.74
Windstream – Vet’s	Phones	364.79
Woods & Aitken, LLP	Prof. legal svcs.	91.50
3 & 33 Mutual Aid	Dues	25.00

## Road Fund

Highway Department Employees	Salaries	48,272.55
Beatrice Concrete Sand & Gravel	Rock & gravel	54,820.45
Black Hills Energy	Utilities	86.94
Cather & Sons Const.	Asphalt	11,667.00
Fastenal Co., Inc.	Vests, bolts	239.53
First Wireless	Supplies, repeater rental	521.32
Hard Rock Quarries, LLC	Rock	397.81
Husker Steel, Inc.	Steel	9995.00
Lincoln Journal Star	Publications	48.77
Norris Public Power Dist.	Utilities	278.34
R.L. Tiemann Const., Inc.	Hauling material	4400.54
Rock On, Inc.	Hauling material	4947.78
Rose Equipment, LLC	Filters, nozzle	318.80



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The Wymore Arbor State, LLC	Publications	16.20
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Visitor’s Promotion Fund

Beatrice Area Chamber of Commerce	Lodging tax	7666.59
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Register of Deeds Preservation & Modernization Fund

MIPS, Inc.	Digitizing & indexing records, binding books	15,800.00
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Insurance Fund

Gage County Health Insurance	Employee health ins. claims paid	25,216.46
Lucent Health Solutions, LLC	Premiums, admin. fees	31,095.58

General Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	9,422.03
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	10,000.91
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health insurance	28,439.60

Road Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	3,193.64
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	3,534.21
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health insurance	11,545.94

Motion made by Byars, seconded by Dorn to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Jurgens, seconded by Dorn to approve claim #21060075 to Hard Rock Quarries, LLC in the amount of \$397.81 and claim #21060079 to R.L. Tiemann Construction in the amount of \$4,400.54, bringing the total amount of claims approved through June 2, 2021 to \$519,682.38. Motion carried 6-0-1 with Tiemann abstaining due to conflict of interest.

No public present for comments or request for future agenda items.

Committee reports were given by Dave Jones on Bldg. & Grounds, Jurgens on Finance/Insurance, Lisa Wiegand on Emergency Management and Planning & Zoning, and Jurgens on Road & Bridge. Had discussion on the flags not being put up around the courthouse on Memorial Day. It was brought up that the flags are actual burial service flags will not withstand inclement weather. Chairman Tiemann asked Dave to look into the price of all-weather flags that could be used in case of inclement weather. Ashley Mason spoke on the subject and suggested that when a quote was received for the total, that he should also obtain a quote for a single flag as there may be families willing to donate to purchase a flag since this is not City or County, but volunteers putting up the flags.

Jerad Reimers presented an update from Congressman Adrian Smith’s Office by phone. He discussed legislative bills and stated that their office opposes 30 x 30 legislation.

Tiemann publicly thanked Senators Myron Dorn, Steve Erdman and Tom Brandt for their support and their part in the passing of LB103 by the Legislature and signing of the bill by Governor Ricketts. Byars added that he would like to have a thank you letter written to send to the senators.

Discussion was had on the Kansas/Nebraska Heritage Area Partnership. Those speaking during the discussion in addition to board members were Terry Acton with Gage Co. Planning & Zoning, Kim Wilson with UNL, Jim Ogle with Freedom Frontier, Angel Cushing from Kansas, Mark Engler with the Homestead National Historical Park, John Hansen, NE Farmers Union President, Trevor Lee with NGage, Angie Bruna, Exec. Director of Beatrice Chamber, and Ashley Mason. There may be additional agenda items pertaining to this in the future.



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Motion made by Byars, seconded by Dorn to approve an agreement with Region V Systems for Emergency Protective Custody services with the term of the agreement being July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Haxby, seconded by Jurgens to approve agreement between Beatrice Area Chamber of Commerce and the County of Gage for the purposes of Nebraska Visitors Development Act in Gage County (Gage County Tourism) for the term of 2 years, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Haxby to approve a Parks and Recreation Improvement Grant Application in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the Village of Pickrell for picnic tables and benches in the park and at the Community Center pergola. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Lytle, seconded by Dorn to move into closed session at 11:11 a.m. for personnel. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Schuller to move out of closed session at 11:17 a.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Haxby, seconded by Dorn to approve hiring Mark Kuhnke as the new Highway Superintendent. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Haxby, seconded by Dorn to adjourn the Board of Supervisors meeting at 11:18 a.m. Motion carried 6-1 with Lytle voting nay.

Chairman declared Board of Supervisors meeting adjourned at 11:18 a.m. until June 16, 2021.

Board minutes can also be viewed on the Gage County website at [www.gagecountynebraska.us](http://www.gagecountynebraska.us).

/s/ Dawn Hill  
Dawn Hill  
Gage County Clerk

/s/ Erich Tiemann  
Erich Tiemann, Chairman  
Gage County Board of Supervisors

I, Dawn Hill, County Clerk of Gage County, do hereby certify that the above records are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Witness my hand and official seal this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2021.

(SEAL)

/s/ Dawn Hill  
Dawn Hill  
Gage County Clerk