



Gage County Board Minutes



Board of Supervisors Meeting – November 17, 2021

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The Gage County Board of Supervisors met on November 17, 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 \$457,617.13, which does not include claim #21110105 to Beatrice Lawn Care in the amount of \$345.00, to be voted on separately; 4. approve correspondence received and place on file; 5. Approve Utility Permit 1225 to Windstream of Nebraska, LLC –Will be adding new service to 4620 East Apple Road. Windstream will start at pedestal 365EA in the south grader ditch, bore a 2” diameter by 5’ deep line under Apple Road to the north grader ditch and then start to plow a 3” trench by 48” deep line in the north grader ditch to the residence. Once on Residence property, a new pedestal will be placed and all work will continue on private property. Located south side of Section 5 & North side of Section 8, T-6-N, R-7-E, Nemaha Twp. 6. Approve Utility Permit 1226 to Windstream of Nebraska, LLC –Will be adding new pedestal and transformer for future fiber service. Windstream will be terminating existing pedestal 3012/S442OC and placing existing cable into new pedestal and running electrical conduit to pedestal. All work will be done in east grader ditch along 96th Road, north of Springlake S-Lane. Located Southwest quarter of Section 12, T-6-N, R-7-E, Nemaha Twp. 7. Approve Utility Permit 1227 to Windstream of Nebraska, LLC –Will be replacing service line to residence 41928 South 176th Road Liberty. Windstream will start at pedestal 2000/580NA in the east grader ditch, bore a 2” diameter by 5’ deep line north to north side of residence, turn and go east to residence with bore. Once past ROW all work will continue on private property. Located southwest quarter of Section 25, T-2-N, R-8-E, Island Grove Twp. 8. Approve Utility Permit 1228 to Olsson Engineers – Will be boring an 8 to 10” diameter by 12 to 16’ deep line for a minimum of 40 lineal feet under Southwest 100th Road for new sanitary sewer project. All other work will continue outside of Right-of-way. Located Northwest quarter of Section 27 and Northeast quarter of Section 28, T-6-N, R-5-E, Clatonia Twp.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount Allowed</u>
Courthouse Employees	Salaries	137,487.09
A.R.E. Pest Control	Detention pest control at Jail	130.00
Advanced Correctional Healthcare	Jail on-site medical/mntl hlth svcs.	6773.06
All Copy Products, Inc.	Copier maint./copies	862.05
Daniel Barr	Care of Pioneer Cemetery	500.00
Beatrice Board of Public Works	Utilities	5215.95
Beatrice Lawn Care, Inc.	Mowing	345.00
Bob Barker Co.	Inmate provisions	80.52
Capital Business Systems, Inc.	Copy overage	10.20
Capital One, NA	Prob. supplies	189.36
City of Beatrice	Garbage svc.	287.96
Clerk of District Court	St. & Shf. fees	637.70
Consolidated Management Co.	Meals at training	146.58
Correctional Risk Services, Inc.	Inmate medical	167.32
Credit Information Systems	Mbrshp	50.00
Culligan of Lincoln	Water cooler	29.36
CVSOAN	Dues	220.00
DAS St. Acctng. Cntrl. Fin. 6507	Dist. Ct. maint. agrmt.	54.60



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Dawson Co. Sheriff	Boarding inmates	270.00
Diode Communications	Vets Offc & cths monitoring	80.85
Diode Technologies	Security camera	115.00
Eakes Office Solutions	Offc supplies	1583.92
Extreme Motorsports	4 metal signs	100.00
First Wireless, Inc.	Hvac repair in cabinet	477.34
Fox Funeral Home	County cremation	1200.00
Gage County Sheriff's Office	Shf. fees/mlg	2260.49
Gage County Treasurer	Shf. veh. registration	20.50
GCSO Drug Investigation Petty Cash	Reimb.	500.00
Holiday Inn Kearney	Shf. lodging	233.90
Hometown Leasing	Prob. copier leases	452.04
Jones Automotive, Inc.	Svc. call, labor	355.80
Lammel Plumbing, Inc.	Parts, supplies, labor	1876.19
Latimer Reporting	Depositions	414.94
Lincoln Journal Star	Publications	1651.64
Mahloch Law Office	Atty fees	793.25
Matthew Kosmicki Law	Atty fees	3450.36
Mead Lumber	Drywall, rope clamps	25.58
Microfilm Imaging Systems, Inc.	Scanning equip. rent	457.00
Midwest Process Services	Civil process fees	651.65
MIPS, Inc.	Computer support, programs	2835.20
Murray Law, PC LLO	Atty fees	3083.00
NACO	2 nd half dues	2585.16
Naylor, Rappl Law Offc.	Atty fees	1325.68
NE Law Enf. Training Center	Shf. training	175.00
Nelson, Clark & Timan	Public Defender	6346.15
Noakes	Parts, labor	1385.07
Northeast Auto	Towing	108.00
O'Reilly Auto Parts	Supplies	5.70
Paper Tiger Shredding	Doc shredding	70.00
Physicians Laboratory, PC	Autopsy expense	2050.00
Quadient, Inc.	Env. opener maint.	696.00
Quill – Co Ct	Offc supplies	401.09
SE Nebr. Communications	Prob. phones	109.48
Secretary of State, Election Div.	Conf. registr.	40.00
Security Services	Monitor fire alarm at Shf.	33.00
Sheridan Industries	Ext. Offc. janitorial svcs.	120.00
Stanard Appraisal Svcs.	Appr. maint. & pick-up work	3350.00
Stephen Kraviec, PC LLO	Child Suppt. Enf. Atty, postage	2374.91
Summit Food Svc.	Jail meal svc.	1958.70
T.O. Haas Tire	Oil changes, tire repairs	1717.52
The Home Depot Pro	Restroom supplies	1094.98
The Radar Shop, Inc.	Re-certify radars	697.00
The Voice News	Publications	228.64
Thomson Reuters, West Pmt. Ctr.	Law Library subscr.	2384.94
U.S. Bank – Purchase cards	Fuel, dues, supplies, meals, etc.	907.30
Verizon Wireless – Shf.	Phones	480.12
Verizon Wireless – EM	Phones	166.47
Verizon Wireless – Prob.	Phones	356.62
Washington Co. Sheriff	Boarding inmates	10,045.00
Westlake Hardware	Supplies	141.65



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Windstream – Wilber Prob.	Phones	46.74
Windstream – Ext.	Phones	590.62
Windstream – Fillmore Co. Prob.	Phones	403.85
Windstream – Hwy	Phones	526.69
Wolfe, Snowden, Hurd, Luers & Ahl	Atty fees	161.00
Woods & Aitken, LLP	Atty fees	187.50
Zultys, Inc.	Prob. phones	494.75

Road Fund

Highway Department Employees	Salaries	46,094.59
All Copy Products, Inc.	Copier coverage	97.53
Beatrice Area Solid Waste Agency	Waste disposal	668.00
Beatrice Board of Public Works	Utilities	406.72
Beatrice Concrete – Sand & Gravel	Rock & gravel	28,615.63
Beatrice Iron & Metal	Parts, supplies	623.96
City of Beatrice	Garbage svc.	74.24
City of Wymore	Utilities	81.17
Cornhusker Intl. Trucks	Hoses	158.00
Crete Lumber	Ice	70.00
Gage County Petty Cash	Hwy Supt. lic. fee reimb.	25.00
Huls Body Shop	Towing	700.00
Independent Salt Co.	Road salt	2534.01
Interstate PowerSystems	Parts, labor	6019.36
Lampton Welding Supply Co.	Welding supplies	90.80
Landmark Implement	Parts	390.68
Matheson Tri-Gas	Supplies	172.84
Mead Lumber	Supplies	445.97
Metal Culverts, Inc.	Culverts	19,257.26
MIPS, Inc.	Hwy software pkg.	186.72
NMC Exchange	Parts	765.99
O'Reilly Auto Parts	Parts	682.52
Pickrell Lumber	Supplies	184.00
PowerPlan	Parts	907.49
Rock On, Inc.	Hauling material	2789.02
T.O. Haas Tire Co.	Tires	635.98
Theisen Construction, Inc.	Bus River Bridge inspection/mlg	748.00
Truck Center Companies	Parts	217.74
U.S. Auto Force	Tires	1746.94

Register of Deeds Preservation & Modernization Fund

Capital Business Systems	Copier maint.	173.00
MIPS, Inc.	Deeds online w/ numerical indexes	218.08

Insurance Fund

Duane Trauernicht	Ins. reimb.	290.37
Gage County Health Insurance	Employee health ins. claims paid	55,101.52

General Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	9,485.87
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	9,935.98
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health insurance	29,162.44



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Road Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	3,111.32
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	3,361.57
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health insurance	11,444.94

Insurance Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	19.60
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	22.21

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

Motion made by Lytle, seconded by Dorn to approve claim #21110105 to Beatrice Lawn Care in the amount of \$345.00, bringing the total amount of claims approved through November 17, 2021 to \$457,962.13. Motion carried 6-0-1 with Tiemann abstaining due to conflict of interest.

Speaking under public comments were Larry Alder, 2498 W. Ash Rd., Cortland NE, stated that the Prairie Wind Watchers group understood from the previous meeting that the Board would be voting on the proposed changes to the Wind Regulations for Gage County and regardless of how the vote goes today, the Prairie Wind Watchers want to invite the Board of Supervisor, P&Z Committee and any others involved in this process for pizza tonight at the Stone Hollow Brewing in appreciation for all the hard work that has gone into reviewing and revising the Gage County wind regulations, and want to thank you for all your hard work. Also speaking under public comments was Ashley Mason 1300 Lincoln, Beatrice, NE., who presented the board with a mug and an invitation to attend the annual fundraiser for the Willow Center. She noticed that none of the board had been invited to the fundraiser and so she has come to provide information to the board and hopes to see them at next years fundraiser.

Committee reports were given by Dave Jones on Bldg. & Grounds/Winter Lights, and Jurgens on Finance/Insurance and Road & Bridge. Topics included lights for north & west side of courthouse and that the cotton flags will be retired and returned to the families of the veterans.

The Board presented a plaque to Duane Trauernicht in appreciation for his years of service to Gage County.

Discussion on letter being sent to NDOT regarding speed limit reduction on Hwy 103 near Tri County School and recommendation to add language supporting lowering the speed limit from 65 mph to 45 mph in the school zone during normal school hours.

Motion made by Haxby, seconded by Dorn to approve adding language stating that the Board of Supervisors supports the speed limit being lowered from 65 mph to 45 mph in the school zone during normal school hours. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion on resolution to adopt the Little Blue Natural Resources District and Lower Big Blue Natural Resources District Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2021.

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-21

WHEREAS, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 was signed in to law on October 30, 2000, placing new emphasis on state and local mitigation planning for natural hazards and requiring communities to adopt a hazard mitigation action plan to be eligible for pre-disaster and post-disaster federal funding for mitigation purposes; and,

WHEREAS, a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan was prepared by



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the Little Blue Natural Resources District and the Lower Big Blue Natural Resources District, with assistance from JEO Consulting Group, Inc. of Lincoln, NE; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the mitigation plan was to lessen the effects of disasters by increasing the disaster resistance of the Natural Resources Districts and participating jurisdictions located within the planning boundary by identifying the hazards that affect the Gage County and prioritize mitigation strategies to reduce potential loss of life and property damage from those hazards, and,

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency and FEMA reviewed and approved the Little Blue Natural Resources District and the Lower Big Blue Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update as of October 25, 2021, and,

WHEREAS, FEMA regulations require documentation that the plan has been formally adopted by the governing body of the Gage County in the form of a resolution and further requesting approval of the plan at the Federal Level; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, the governing body of the Gage County does here-with adopt the FEMA approved Little Blue Natural Resources District and the Lower Big Blue Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update in its entirety; and,

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of November, 2022.

/s/ Erich Tiemann
Board Chairperson

SEAL

ATTEST:

/s/ Dawn Hill
Gage County Clerk

Motion made by Jurgens, seconded by Dorn to approve adopting Resolution #21-21 adopting the Little Blue Natural Resources District and Lower Big Blue Natural Resources District Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2021. Motion carried 7-0.

Agenda item for discussion on Options on Opioid litigation settlements will be on the December 3, 2021 agenda.

Short recess at 9:31 a.m. Back in session at 9:36 a.m. with all members previously listed present.

Discussion on the proposed final changes &/or recommendations to the Gage County Wind Regulations. The Board was presented recommendations from the County Attorney on items needing reviewed.

Motion made by Jurgens, seconded by Dorn to approve the P&Z Wind regulations, through the amendment as discussed and approved by motions made at prior board meetings, and changes/recommendations provided by the County Attorney, to become the current wind energy regulations for Gage County. Motion carried 6-1 with Schuller voting nay.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Byars to move into closed session at 10:01 a.m. for security update. Motion carried 7-0.

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



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Motion made by Jurgens, seconded by Dorn to adjourn Board of Supervisors Meeting at 11:17 a.m. Motion carried 6-1 with Haxby voting nay.

Chairman declared Board of Supervisors meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m. until December 1, 2021.

Board minutes can also be viewed on the Gage County website at www.gagecountynebraska.us.

/s/ Dawn Hill

Dawn Hill

Gage County Clerk

/s/ Erich Tiemann

Erich Tiemann, Chairman

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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 17th day of November, 2021.

(SEAL)

/s/ Dawn Hill

Dawn Hill

Gage County Clerk