



Gage County Board Minutes



The Gage County Board of Supervisors met on March 9, 2022, at 8:45 a.m. with Terry Jurgens, Emily Haxby, Don Schuller, Erich Tiemann, Eddie Dorn and Gary Lytle present, Dennis Byars absent.

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 \$517,940.99 except claim #22030066 to Hard Rock Quarries, LLC. in the amount of \$10,041.25 to be voted on below; 4. approve correspondence received and place on file; 5. Receive & place on file the Adams Rescue 2021 annual report; 6. Approve District Court Summary Fee report & Register of Deeds Fee report for the month of February, 2022.

| <u>General Fund</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>Amount Allowed</u> |
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| Courthouse Employees | Salaries | 135,799.38 |
| ARE Pest Control | Spray for Pests | 150.00 |
| American Security Cabinets Inc | Drop box | 3,510.50 |
| Black Hills Energy | Utilities | 324.49 |
| Blue Rivers Area on Aging | 1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd quarter payment | 26,145.00 |
| Blue360 Media | Law enforcement supplies | 261.79 |
| Charm-Tex Inc | Jail toothbrushes | 224.50 |
| Clerk of District Court | St. & Shf. Fees | 342.54 |
| Clerk of Supreme Court | Court costs | 176.00 |
| Cody Alm | Witness fees | 21.12 |
| Consolidated Management Co | Meals at training | 21.17 |
| Correctional Risk Services | Inmate medical | 4,269.99 |
| Dept Correctional Services | Inmate board | 632.45 |
| Diode Communications | Monitoring courthouse/vets | 80.85 |
| Diode Technologies | Replace camera/cable | 692.15 |
| Donald Alm | Witness Fees | 34.00 |
| Eakes Office Solutions | Office supplies | 355.84 |
| Electronic Contracting Co | Fire alarm inspection | 433.00 |
| Extreme Motor Sports | Entrance sign shf. Office | 25.00 |
| First Wireless Inc | Tower rental | 440.00 |
| Gage County Sheriff | Service fees | 127.68 |
| Griffiths-Hovendick | Autopsy expense | 325.00 |
| Hamm Glass | Replace glass on ramp door | 460.00 |
| Holt County District Court | Certified copies | 3.00 |
| Horwath Laundry Equipment | Dryer repairs | 956.50 |
| Integration Partners | Maintenance | 252.73 |
| Jerry L Shelton | Atty fees | 1,995.00 |
| Lancaster Co Sheriff’s Office | Service fees | 19.77 |
| MIPS Inc | Computer program, support | 2,835.20 |
| Murray Law PC LLO | Atty fees | 1073.50 |
| NACO | SE District registration fees | 190.00 |
| National Sheriff’s Association | Membership dues | 135.00 |



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| NE Law Enforcement Training Ctr | Jail training | 250.00 |
| NE Weed Control Association | Spring training | 165.00 |
| NE Association of Co Treasurers | Membership dues | 50.00 |
| NE Public Health Environmental Lab | Blood alcohol tests | 105.00 |
| Nebraska Supreme Court | Publications/Inmate law library | 225.00 |
| Nelson, Clark & Timan, P.C. | Contractual services | 6,346.15 |
| Pickrell Rural Fire District | 3 rd qtr Emerg medical svcs | 1,500.00 |
| Priority Printing | Copy paper, protest form | 773.55 |
| Production Creek Specialty Adv | Uniforms | 121.00 |
| Quadient Leasing | Lease payment | 2,068.17 |
| Quill (Ext) | Office supplies | 154.11 |
| Quill (Co Court) | Office supplies | 885.42 |
| Region V Systems | EPC services | 3,210.00 |
| SE NE Communications | Fall City prob. Phones | 109.57 |
| Smith Schafer Davis LLC | Atty fees | 1,752.75 |
| Staples | Office supplies shf. Office | 306.27 |
| Stephen J Kraviec, PC LLO | Child Support Enf. Atty | 2,283.86 |
| Summit Food Service | Jail meals | 1,974.23 |
| The Home Depot Pro | Janitorial supplies | 447.65 |
| The Voice News | Publications, subscriptions | 957.08 |
| The Wymore Arbor State LLC | Publications | 1,450.71 |
| Spectrum Enterprise | Internet/phone svc (prob) | 267.92 |
| TK Elevator Corporation | Maintenance agree. Elevator | 240.21 |
| US Bank – Purchase cards | Supplies, ect | 2,282.30 |
| Verizon | Sheriff phones | 480.12 |
| Verizon | District 1 prob. Phones | 363.70 |
| Willet & Carothers Law | Atty fees | 119.00 |
| Windstream (Courthouse) | Phones | 4,210.42 |
| Windstream (Vets) | Phones | 382.36 |
| Zultys | Probation phones | 471.93 |

Road Fund

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| Highway Department Employees | Salaries | 47,398.05 |
| Beatrice Concrete Sand & Gravel | Rock & Gravel | 37,590.40 |
| Beatrice Iron & Metal | Supplies | 471.04 |
| Bomgaars | Supplies | 164.66 |
| Fastenal | Bolts, nuts | 37.69 |
| Hard Rock Quarries, LLC | Limestone | 10,041.25 |
| Inland Truck Parts & Service | Parts | 1,863.95 |
| Jim Hawk Truck Trailers Inc | Chain, ratchet binder, straps | 265.50 |
| Kriha Fluid Power | Exhaust valve | 69.24 |
| Lampton Welding Supply Co Inc | Supplies | 48.00 |
| MathesonTri-Gas Inc | Oxygen bottles | 172.84 |
| Midwest Service & Sales Co | Adaptors, flags | 2,228.00 |
| MIPS, Inc. | Highway computer pkg. | 186.72 |
| Newman Signs, Inc. | Signs | 4,397.70 |
| Rose Equipment LLC | Relay, switch | 249.70 |
| T.O. Haas Tire | Tires | 1,133.92 |
| The Voice News | Publications | 74.12 |
| The Wymore Arbor State | Publications | 56.70 |
| Twin Rivers | Snap ring, lamp | 145.72 |
| Verizon Connect | Install unit | 325.00 |



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Visitors Promotion Fund

Beatrice Area Chamber of Comm Lodging payment 5,308.66

Register of Deeds Preservation & Modernization Fund

MIPS, Inc. Indexes 218.08

Insurance Fund

Diane Wells Ins. reimb. 36.44
Gage County Health Insurance Employee health ins. claims paid 100,521.16
Lucent Health Solutions LLC Admin. fees 32,935.94

General Fund

Ameritas County share of Employees Retirement 9,469.26
Security First Bank Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare 9,819.46
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan Co. share of Empl. health insurance 27,680.26

Road Fund

Ameritas County share of Employees Retirement 3,199.32
Security First Bank Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare 3,470.12
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan Co. share of Empl. health insurance 11,875.11

Insurance Fund

Security First Bank Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare 2.79

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Schuller to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Jurgens to approve claim #22030066 to Hard Rock Quarries, LLC. in the amount of \$10,041.25, bringing the total amount of claims approved thru March 9, 2022 to \$527,982.24. Motion carried 5-0-1 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 Building & Grounds; Jurgens on Finance/Insurance & Road & Bridge; Tiemann on Human Recourses, Millard and Lisa on Law Enforcement & Emergency Management and Jurgens on Road & Bridge. Topics included the storm damage from December storm are being addressed; rock & gravel availability and possible surcharge being added; Township board meeting on Thursday evening; county severe weather policy and public hearing for special use permit on 4-6-2022.

Break in committee reports to close bids for lawn care.

Motion made by Haxby, seconded by Lytle to close bids for lawn care @ 9:16 a.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Back to committee reports discussion on rock and gravel availability and the idea of stock piling.

Bids for 2022 & 2023 lawn care were received from Green Way in the total amount of \$5,240.00 per year and Beatrice Lawn in the total amount of \$7,030.00 for each year.

Bids were referred to Dave Jones, Building & Grounds Manager, for review and recommendation later in the meeting.



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Motion made by Haxby, seconded by Jurgens to approve Communications Equipment Lease Agreement with First Wireless Inc. and Gage County for Highway Dept. communications. Lease effective March 1, 2022 – February 28, 2027. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Jurgens, seconded by Haxby to approve and accept all rock & gravel bids. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Jurgens, seconded by Lytle to approve awarding Armor Coat bid to Midwest Coating in the amount of \$430,545.41 as it was the lowest bid. Project start date of 5/23/2022 – 6/3/2022. Motion carried 6-0.

No action taken on the Broadband bids.

Discussion took place on transparency to the public on resolutions and other ideas for transparency. Some ideas were additional information on the county website. Schuller wanted to allow the public to put items on the county website. This was objected to by the County Attorney as a concern in allowing anyone and everyone to have access to our network. Tiemann felt the way the board has open discussion in the meetings also allows for greater transparency and he thanked the members for this.

Short break at 10:06 a.m. Back in session at 10:16 a.m. with all members previously listed present.

Dave Jones gave the recommendation of Green Way for the Lawn Care bid for the 2022 & 2023 seasons.

Motion made by Lytle, seconded by Dorn to approve awarding the bid to Green Way as it the lowest bid at \$5,240.00 per year. Motion carried 5-0-1 with Tiemann abstaining due to conflict of interest.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Haxby to approve going into closed session @ 10:21 a.m. for personnel and negotiations issues. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Haxby to come out of closed session at 11:06 a.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Schuller to adjourn meeting at 11:07 a.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Chairman declared Board of Supervisors meeting adjourned at 11:07 a.m. until March 23, 2022.

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
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 9th day of March, 2022.

(SEAL)

/s/ Dawn Hill
Dawn Hill
Gage County Clerk