



Gage County Board Minutes



Board of Supervisors Meeting – July 13, 2022

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The Gage County Board of Supervisors met on July 13, 2022, at 8:45 a.m. with Terry Jurgens, Don Schuller, Erich Tiemann, Eddie Dorn, Dave Swavely and Gary Lytle present, Emily Haxby 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 \$567,252.38 which does not include claim #22070166 to Hard Rock Quarries, LLC in the amount of \$12,562.25 and claim #22070179 to R.L. Tiemann Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$40,811.10, to be voted on separately; 4. approve correspondence received and place on file; 5. Approve District Court Summary Fee Report & Register of Deeds Fee Report for the month of June, 2022; 6. Approve extending contract negotiations until August 10, 2022 for the Gage County Rural Broadband project.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount Allowed</u>
Courthouse Employees	Salaries	145,644.00
Advanced Correctional Healthcare	Jail on-site medical svcs.	7510.00
All Copy Products, Inc.	Copier lease	660.00
Charm-Tex, Inc.	Inmate provisions	585.20
Clerk of District Court	St. & Shf. fees	532.46
Correctional Risk Svcs.	Inmate medical svcs.	18,680.45
Culligan of Lincoln	Water cooler	54.50
Dept of Correctional Svcs.	Boarding inmates	1084.20
Lloyd Dickinson	Appraisal svcs.	4845.00
Diode Communications	Alarm monitoring	80.85
Dr. Eric Thomsen	Mental health hearing	95.00
Eakes Office Solutions	Offc supplies	351.26
Echo Group	Flour. bulbs	182.00
Engineered Controls, Inc.	Replaced pump controller on geothermal system	1750.00
Envision Landscapes	Mulch	144.00
ISolved Benefit Svcs.	FBA admin. svcs.	124.75
Lammel Plumbing	Jail toilet repairs	816.58
Lepant Law Offc.	Atty fees, mntl hlth hrng	882.50
Matthew Kosmicki Law	Atty fees	1366.93
Microfilm Imaging Systems	Scanning equip. rent	457.00
Midwest Process Services	Civil process fees	286.56
MIPS, Inc.	Computer support, supplies, equip.	3473.57
NACO	Assr workshop	270.00
Nelson, Clark & Timan	Public Defender	6346.15
Noakes	Svc. call, filters, repairs	641.56
O’Reilly Auto Parts	Parts	11.43
Paper Tiger Shredding	Doc. shredding	35.00
Quality Inn, Ogallala	Lodging	178.00
Quill – Ext.	Offc supplies	730.69
Region V Systems	EPC billing	1712.00
Kristine Riekenberg	Mntl hlth hrng., Bill of Exceptions	323.75



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Sapp Bros.	Shf/Jail fuel	4757.89
Sheridan Industries	Ext. Offc. janitorial svcs.	120.00
Soap Opera Laundry	Mop & rag cleaning	38.50
Software Unlimited Corp.	Atty software annl. maint. fee	3956.96
Staples Business Credit	Printer, storage equip.	1251.95
Stephen Kraviec, PC LLO	Child Suppt. Enf. Atty	2283.86
Summit Food Service	Jail meal svc.	2051.61
The Radar Shop	Shf. unit 4 radar	100.00
U.S. Bank – Purchase Cards	Supplies	64.87
U.S. Post Svc. – Postmaster	Prob. stamps	632.00
Verizon Wireless – Shf.	Cell phones	480.12
Westlake Hardware	Supplies	94.33
Willet & Carothers	Atty fees	466.50
Windstream – Shf	Phones	1276.18

Road Fund

Highway Department Employees	Salaries	46,129.22
All Copy Products	Copier overage	83.29
Bauer Built Tires	Tires	1429.06
Beatrice Concrete Sand & Gravel	Rock & gravel	57,392.06
Cather & Sons Const.	Asphalt	11,720.51
City of Wymore	Utilities	82.02
Constellation NewEnergy	Utilities	64.27
Cornhusker Intl. Trucks	Part	38.86
Eakes Office Solutions	Offc. supplies	82.30
Filtercare of NE	Filter	21.10
Hard Rock Quarries	Rock & gravel	12,562.25
Inland Truck Parts, Inc.	Parts	645.07
Jim Hawk Truck Trailers	Parts, supplies	616.10
Kriha Fluid Power	Part	74.43
Lampton Welding Supply	Yrly rental on cyl.	84.95
Landmark Implement	Parts	123.26
Mead Lumber	Supplies	67.54
Midwest Unlimited	Supplies	91.85
MIPS, Inc.	Hwy program	192.32
Motor Fuels Division	Diesel tax	2433.00
Norris Public Power	Repair power line	206.19
O’Reilly Auto Parts	Shop supplies	655.34
Powerplan	Parts, labor	2242.97
R.L. Tiemann Const.	Hauling material	40,811.10
Sapp Bros.	Fuel, oil, grease	24,797.68
T.O. Haas	Tire mount	162.00
U.S. Auto Force	Tires	1985.01

Register of Deeds Preservation & Modernization Fund

MIPS, Inc.	Deeds online w/ numerical indexes	220.08
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Insurance Fund

Gage County Health Insurance	Employee hlth ins. claims paid	111,775.66
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Inheritance Fund

Jerry Rownd	Inheritance tax refund due	19,117.33
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General Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	10,087.15
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	10,540.35
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health insurance	28,768.77

Road Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	3,113.68
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	3,387.53
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health insurance	11,166.27

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

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Swavely to approve claim #22070166 to Hard Rock Quarries, LLC in the amount of \$12,562.25 and claim #22070179 to R.L. Tiemann Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$40,811.10, bringing the total amount of claims approved through July 13, 2022 to \$620,625.73. Motion carried 5-0-1 with Tiemann abstaining due to conflict of interest.

Jill Kuzelka appeared under public comments and spoke to the board about her business Whispering Acres Tails and Treasures, of rural Jansen, NE, and one of the programs she provides called High Hopes Equine Assisted Learning which encourages the emotional bond between horses and people. The program focuses on empowering children, teens, and adults who may have physical, mental, emotional or social challenges to create more active, healthy and fulfilling lives through equine assisted activities. They also have sessions, lessons, and camps geared for anywhere from individuals to families, groups, organizations, schools and the military, which foster positive character, leadership development, and the learning of life skills through interactions with horses. All of these things build sustainable support for achieving continued personal growth, communication skills, self-confidence, resilience and self-esteem. They hope to secure funding in the future for Camp G.R.I.T., which stands for “Grow into a Resilient, Independent and Tenacious young adult”.

Committee reports were given by Swavely on Bldg. & Grounds, Tiemann on Equalization, Tiemann & Jurgens on Finance/Insurance, Shf. Gustafson on Law Enforcement, Lisa Wiegand on Emergency Management, and Jurgens on Road & Bridge. Topics of discussion were property valuation protest hearing later in the day and again on July 21st, a deputy resigning, upcoming county fair, increase of Covid cases, dispatching, low flying planes and spray applications.

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PROPER COMPLETION OF PROJECT

Gage County

Resolution No. 22-09

WHEREAS, Gage County and State entered into an agreement entitled “County Bridge Matching Program Agreement”, for the structure number C003401330 (the Project), Program Agreement Number BL1907 signed by State on the 25th day of February, 2019; and,

WHEREAS, Gage County has now completed the construction of the Project that was identified in the Program Agreement; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is to formally notify State of the proper completion of the Project according to the terms of the Program Agreement.

Be It Resolved: by the Board of Supervisors of Gage County:



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- (1) The Project, for Structure No. C003401330, has been properly constructed by County and its contractor, in accordance with the terms of the Program Agreement.
- (2) The bridge was constructed in strict compliance with
 - (a) the plans and specifications including any State-approved change orders,
 - (b) all applicable design standards, and
 - (c) the conditions and requirements of the Program Agreement.
- (3) County understands that it is the owner of the bridge, and that it is solely responsible for the design, inspection, construction, reconstruction, repair, and operation of the bridge and roadway and is responsible for meeting any environmental or other post-construction permit or legal commitments applicable to the project.
- (4) The project costs were fair, reasonable and necessary for the proper construction of the project.

NDOT Project Number: STWD-CBMP(3)
 NDOT Control Number: 00974B
 NDOT LPA Control Number: 00974B(g)
 NDOT Project Name: County Bridge Match Program

Adopted this 13th day of July, 2022 at Beatrice, Nebraska.

The Board of Supervisors of Gage County

/s/ Terry Jurgens
/s/ Erich Tiemann
/s/ Eddie T. Dorn

/s/ Don Schuller
/s/ David L. Swavely
/s/ Gary Lytle

Board member Lytle moved the adoption of said resolution. Member Dorn seconded the motion.
 Roll Call: 6 Yes 0 No 0 Abstained 1 Absent
 Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

Attest:

/s/ Dawn Hill
 County Clerk

Motion made by Lytle, seconded by Dorn to approve adopting Resolution #22-09 Certifying Proper Completion of Project #STWD-CBMP (3); Control #00974B(g), Structure #C003401330, County Bridge Match Program. Mark Kuhnke, Hwy Supt., said all were checked. Motion carried 6-0.

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PROPER COMPLETION OF PROJECT

Gage County

Resolution No. 22-10

WHEREAS, Gage County and State entered into an agreement entitled “County Bridge



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Match Program Agreement”, for the structure number C003406005, C003407210, and C003423320, (the Project), Program Agreement Number BL2008 signed by State on the 4th day of May, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, Gage County has now completed the construction of the Project that was identified in the Program Agreement; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is to formally notify State of the proper completion of the Project according to the terms of the Program Agreement.

Be It Resolved: by the Board of Supervisors of Gage County:

- (1) The Project, for Structure No. C003406005, C003407210, and C003423320, has been properly constructed by County and its contractor, in accordance with the terms of the Program Agreement.
- (2) The bridge was constructed in strict compliance with
 - (a) the plans and specifications including any State-approved change orders,
 - (b) all applicable design standards, and
 - (c) the conditions and requirements of the Program Agreement.
- (3) County understands that it is the owner of the bridge, and that it is solely responsible for the design, inspection, construction, reconstruction, repair, and operation of the bridge and roadway and is responsible for meeting any environmental or other post-construction permit or legal commitments applicable to the project.
- (4) The project costs were fair, reasonable and necessary for the proper construction of the project.

NDOT Project Number: STWD-CBMP(4)
 NDOT Control Number: 00974C
 NDOT LPA Control Number: 00974C(h)
 NDOT Project Name: County Bridge Match Program

Adopted this 13th day of July, 2022 at Beatrice, Nebraska.

The Board of Supervisors of Gage County

/s/ Terry Jurgens
/s/ Erich Tiemann
/s/ Eddie T. Dorn

/s/ Don Schuller
/s/ David L. Swavely
/s/ Gary Lytle

Board member Lytle moved the adoption of said resolution. Member Dorn seconded the motion.
 Roll Call: 6 Yes 0 No 0 Abstained 1 Absent
 Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

Attest:

/s/ Dawn Hill
 County Clerk



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Motion made by Lytle, seconded by Dorn to approve adopting Resolution #22-10 Certifying Proper Completion of Project #STWD-CBMP (4); Control #00974C(h), Structure #C003406005, C003407210, and C003423320, County Bridge Match Program. Motion carried 6-0.

Brad Swiggart and Lowell Eisenhauer with Northwestern Mutual presented the County Health Insurance Plan renewal proposal to the board as it was recently shared with the Insurance Committee by them and Account Representative Amber Anderson with The Olson Group. The plan would keep Lucent Health Solutions as the third-party administrator with a new reinsurer of UME - Underwriting Management Experts. The life insurance benefit that is included with the health insurance plan for employees was increased from \$15,000 to \$25,000, and voluntary elections of dental, vision, and additional life insurance will be available to employees at their expense but are eligible to be taken out of their pay pre-taxed.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Lytle to approve the County Health Insurance Plan for 2022-2023 as presented. motion carried 6-0.

Discussion on proposal from Masonry Construction, Inc. for Phase 11 of the courthouse exterior renovation which includes repointing the entire North Elevation including two chimneys, gable, and returns at the East Elevation, in the amount of \$139,313.00. Work on the exterior will not be able to be totally finished this year so part of it will be done in 2023.

Motion made by Swavely, seconded by Lytle to approve Phase 11 courthouse exterior renovation as presented by Masonry Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$139,313.00. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Swavely, seconded by Lytle to move into closed session at 9:30 a.m. for personnel. Motion carried 6-0.

Jurgens left at 10:38 a.m. during closed session.

Motion made by Swavely, seconded by Dorn to move out of closed session at 10:48 a.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Schuller gave a brief update on City/County Solutions.

Chairman declared Board of Supervisors meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m. until July 27, 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 13th day of July, 2022.

(SEAL)

/s/ Dawn Hill
Dawn Hill
Gage County Clerk