



# Gage County Board Minutes



Board of Supervisors Meeting – February 8, 2023

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The Gage County Board of Supervisors met on February 8, 2023, at 8:51 a.m. with Terry Jurgens, Emily Haxby, Don Schuller, Erich Tiemann, Eddie Dorn, Dave Swavely 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 \$536,054.26; 4. approve correspondence received and place on file; 5. Approve cancelling check #23010045 to Thomas & Thomas Court Reporters in the amount of \$162.99; 6. Approve District Court Summary Fee Report & Register of Deeds Fee Report for the month of January, 2023; 7. Approve Caretakers for the Pioneer Cemeteries for 2023; 8. Approve Utility Permit #1260 to Northern Natural Gas. Northern Gas will be repairing a gas Line section on South 12<sup>th</sup> street just north of Cortland. Northern Gas will have an excavation on both East and West sides of the road in Right-of-way to repair gas line. Once completed Northern Gas will backfill all excavated areas back to existing grade. Located on the East side of Section 2 and West side of Section 1, T-6-N, R-6-E, Highland Twp.; 9. Approve Utility Permit #1261 to Norris Public Power. Norris will be boring a new electrical line on South 23<sup>rd</sup> Road approximately 1800' South of the intersection of Hoyt and South 23<sup>rd</sup> Road. Norris will bore a 2" line, 8' deep under the road from the West grader ditch to the East grader ditch continuing the bore on private property. Located East side of Section 36, T-4-N, R-6-E Midland Twp and West side of Section 31, T-4-N, R-7-E, Logan Twp.; 10. approve Utility Permit #1262 to Diller Telephone. Diller Telephone will be adding new fiber line to current fiber that are installed in the Southwest part of the county. Diller Telephone will plow at the edge of the roadway and bore a 3" line 10'-15' under all creeks, road crossings, and culverts/concrete structures. Project #1, Diller Telephone will be installing new fiber line on Hwy 4 between Sargent and SW 131<sup>st</sup> Road (State Permit Required) and on Sargent Road between Hwy 4 and SW 117<sup>th</sup>. Located Northwest quarter of section 27 and North of section 28, T-4-N, R-5-E, Blakely Twp.; 11. Approve Utility Permit #1263 to Diller Telephone. Diller Telephone will be adding new fiber line to current fiber that are installed in the southwest part of the county. Diller Telephone will plow at the edge of the roadway and bore a 3" line 10'-15' under all creeks, road crossings, and culverts/concrete structures. Project #2, Diller Telephone will be installing new fiber line on Scott Road between SW 117<sup>th</sup> to SW 142<sup>nd</sup> Road and on SW 142<sup>nd</sup> Road between Belvidere to ½ mile South of Hoyt Road, and on Belvidere and SW 142<sup>nd</sup> going East ½ mile. Located West side of Section 31, T-4-N R-5-E, Blakely Township and North side of Section 5, North, West, and East side of Section 6, and North side of Section 7, T-3-N, R-5-E, Lincoln Twp.; 12. Approve Utility Permit #1264 to Diller Telephone. Diller Telephone will be adding new fiber line to current fiber that are installed in the Southwest part of the county. Diller Telephone will plow at the edge of the roadway and bore a 3" line 10'-15' under all creeks, road crossings, and culverts/concrete structures. Project #3, Diller Telephone will be installing new fiber line at intersection of SW 142<sup>nd</sup> and Lilac going South a ½ mile and on SW 131<sup>st</sup> Road between Lilac to ½ mile South of Hwy 136 and on Hwy 136 between SW 117<sup>th</sup> to SW 131<sup>st</sup> Road (State Permit) and SW 61<sup>st</sup> Road between Hwy 136 to ½ mile north. Located West side and East side of Section 18, East side of Section 19, and North side of Section 20 and East side of Section 13, T-3-N, R-5-E, Lincoln Twp.; 13. Approve quote with Gene Roeber Const. for storm damage repair (roof & gutter and siding) on the County Tri Plex including updating the building to LP siding from vinyl siding for an additional cost of \$10,395.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount Allowed</u>
Courthouse Employees	Salaries	155,620.13
Advanced Auto Dealers	Shf website maint.	29.00
All Copy Products	EM copier lease	140.00
Kylie Steuben	Labor	1820.00
Beatrice Board of Public Works	Ann. fire sprinkler tap	245.00



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Beatrice Fire Protection, LLC	Fire extinguisher & recharges	472.02
Beatrice Public Schools	Juvenile svcs. aid	6432.19
Black Hills Energy	Utilities	868.20
C & W Rollin Smoke	Empl recog dinner	2988.00
Capital Business Systems	ROD copy overage	2.83
Charm-Tex, Inc.	Inmate provisions	1500.80
Charter Communications	Shf cable TV	175.82
Clerk of District Court	St. & svc fees	777.76
Correctional Risk Services	Inmate medical	634.63
Diode Communications	Monitoring security	80.85
Eakes Office Solutions	Office equip., supplies	3069.94
Echo Group	Ballasts, bulbs	462.11
First Wireless, Inc.	Tower rental	440.00
Gage County Court	Cert. copies	6.00
Garcia Clinical Laboratory	Inmate medical	30.00
Garrison Law Firm	Atty fees	15,100.25
Griffiths Hovendick Chapel, Inc.	County cremation	1200.00
Lepant Law Office	Atty fees	332.50
Mahloch Law Office	Atty fees	992.75
Matthew Kosmicki Law, LLC	Atty fees	2933.71
Midwest Process Services	Civil process fees	352.38
MIPS, Inc.	Computer support, 2 uninterrupted power source	4073.78
NE Assn. of Co. Treasurers	Dues	50.00
Nelson, Clark & Timan, PC LLO	Public Defender	6346.15
Northeast Auto	Veh lease	550.00
Pottawattamie Co. Shf.	Shf fees, civil svcs.	72.00
Priority Printing	Treas env., Clk letterhead	392.83
Quill – Ext.	Offc supplies	649.44
Quill – Prob.	Offc supplies	264.76
Rixstine Recognition	Empl. recognition awards	988.50
SMPC, LLC	On-site IT svcs.	255.00
Staples Business Credit	Shf offc supplies	370.84
Stephen Kraviec, PC LLO	Child Suppt. Enf. Atty	2398.05
Summit Food Svc.	Jail meal svc.	5482.28
TK Elevator Corp.	Elevator maint.	240.21
Tri County Credit Bulletin	6 mo subscr.	168.30
U.S. Bank – Purchase cards	Supplies, uniforms, janitorial, etc.	1576.49
Verizon Wireless – Shf	Wireless phones	480.12
Verizon Wireless – Prob.	Wireless phones	393.52
Willet & Carothers Law Offc.	Atty fees	243.00
Windstream – Vets	Phones	246.97

## Road Fund

Highway Department Employees	Salaries	43,757.43
All Copy Products	Copier lease	16.25
Beatrice Concrete Sand & Gravel	Rock & gravel	2861.97
Bomgaars	Tools	21.38
Capital One, NA	Batteries	18.55
Dultmeier Sales, LLC	Pump hose	154.28
Fastenal Co.	Bolts, hard hat	81.49
First Wireless, Inc.	Repeater rental	350.00
Inland Truck Parts, Inc.	Parts	176.28



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MIPS, Inc.	Road program	192.32
Truck Equip. Svc. Co.	Rock pup	51,217.83

## Visitor's Promotion Fund

Beatrice Area Chamber of Commerce	Lodging tax	6145.60
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## 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 health ins claims paid	46,534.91
Lucent Health Solutions	Premiums, Ins. fund admin. fees	93,940.10

## Covid American Rescue Plan Fund

Universal Broadband Consulting, Ltd.	Consulting svcs.	1982.50
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## General Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	10,834.25
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	11,322.99
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health insurance	27,671.09

## Road Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	2,953.65
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	3,187.26
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health insurance	10,392.93

Motion made by Swavely, seconded by Lytle to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

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, and Lisa Wiegand on Emergency Management. Break in committee reports for timed agenda item.

Motion made by Haxby, seconded by Swavely to close bidding at 9:15 a.m. for 2023 county fuel and accept, reject or award bid. Motion carried 7-0.

One bid was received from Sapp Bros. for 72,000 gallons of #2 Premium Diesel with additive pkg. at \$3.13 per gallon, and for 38,000 gallons of Unleaded 87 (E10) gasoline at \$2.773 per gallon.

Motion made by Jurgens, seconded by Haxby to approve bid from Sapp Bros. for 2023 Gage County fuel for 72,000 gallons of #2 Premium Diesel with additive pkg. at \$3.13 per gallon, and for 38,000 gallons of Unleaded 87 (E10) gasoline at \$2.773 per gallon. Motion carried 7-0.

Committee reports continued with Jurgens on Road & Bridge. Topics of discussion during committee reports were completion of Extension Offc. restrooms, ideas for courthouse East ramp entrance restructure, P&Z mtg. on Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, solar regs, P&Z public hearings on March 2<sup>nd</sup> for greenhouse and swine operation, storm spotting, 3 & 33 Mutual Aid mtg, update on Buss bridge, and discussion on Virginia Road.

## **RESOLUTION #23-01**

WHEREAS, the County of Gage is the owner and holder of several certificates of tax sale of several parcels of real estate, Certificate #11308 issued to the County of



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Gage for all delinquent regular taxes thereon, and which having been regularly advertised and offered for sale at tax sale, and remaining unsold for want of bidders, or having been sold to the County of Gage and certificates of tax sale issued thereon under provisions of Nebraska Revised Statutes, Section 77-1809 (1943); and,

WHEREAS, as of October 1, 2022, more than Three (3) years and less than Three (3) years Nine (9) months have elapsed since the issuance of such respective certificates of tax sale and by reason thereof the right of redemption of the owners or claimants of such respective tracts has expired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GAGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that Roger L. Harris, Gage County Attorney, by and through his Deputy County Attorneys, be and hereby is directed, as promptly under the circumstances as it is reasonably possible to do so, to institute action to foreclose the lien of all taxes delinquent, whether regular or special, on all real estate within Gage County, Nebraska, which having been heretofore advertised and offered for sale and remaining unsold for want of bidders, were sold to the County of Gage, and Certificates of Tax Sale issued thereon, and that the costs of abstracting be paid from the General Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Gage County Treasurer be and is hereby directed to issue Treasurer's certificates of tax sale in favor of Gage County on all parcels of real estate offered for sale for less than Three (3) consecutive years that were not sold for want of bidders.

Motion made by Haxby, seconded by Swavely to adopt the foregoing Resolution. All members present as listed and voted as follows:

Yea: Jurgens, Haxby, Schuller, Tiemann, Dorn, Swavely, Lytle

Nay: None

/s/ Erich Tiemann  
Chairman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023.

/s/ Dawn Hill  
Gage County Clerk

Motion made by Haxby, seconded by Swavely to approve adopting Resolution #23-01 directing the Gage County Attorney to institute action to foreclose delinquent real estate taxes. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Jurgens, seconded by Haxby to approve County Bridge Match Program Agreement between Gage County and State of Nebraska. Project Number: STWD-CBMP(7) State Control Number: 00974F, CBMP Control Number: 00974F(e). Motion carried 7-0.

## **RESOLUTION #23-02** **SIGNING OF THE PROJECT PROGRAM AGREEMENT – BL2346**

Gage County  
Resolution No. 23-02

**Whereas:** Gage County is proposing a transportation project for which it would like





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to obtain County Bridge Match funds; and,

**Whereas:** Gage County understands that it must strictly follow all State and local laws, rules, regulations, policies, and guidelines applicable to the funding of the project; and,

**Whereas:** Gage County and Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) wish to enter into a new Project Program Agreement setting out the various duties and funding responsibilities for the project.

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

Chair of the Gage County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign the attached Project Program Agreement between Gage County and the NDOT.

Gage County is committed to providing local funds for the project as required by the Project Program Agreement.

NDOT Project Number: STWD-CBMP(7)  
NDOT Control Number: 00974F  
NDOT Project Name: County Bridge Match Program

Adopted this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023 at Beatrice, Nebraska.

/s/ Terry Jurgens

/s/ Emily M. Haxby

/s/ Don Schuller

/s/ Eddie Dorn

/s/ Erich Tiemann

/s/ David L. Swavely

/s/ Gary Lytle

Board member Lytle moved the adoption of said resolution

Member Swavely seconded the motion

Roll Call: 7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstained 0 Absent

Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

Attest:

/s/ Dawn Hill

Signature County Clerk

Motion made by Lytle, seconded by Swavely to approve adopting Resolution #23-02 for the Signing of the Project Program Agreement – BL2346 for Project Number: STWD-CBMP(7), State Control Number: 00974F, CBMP Control Number: 00974F(e). Motion carried 7-0.

Hwy Supt. Mark Kuhnke discussed the substitution of rock vs. gravel on roads for the Townships.

Chairman declared Board of Supervisors meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m. until February 22, 2023.

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

/s/ Dawn Hill

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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 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023.

(SEAL)

/s/ Dawn Hill

Dawn Hill

Gage County Clerk