



Gage County Board Minutes

The Gage County Board of Supervisors met on August 9, 2023, 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 \$544,929.05 except claim #23080070 to Johnny's Welding, Inc. in the amount of \$141.12 and claim #23080075 to R.L. Tiemann Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$50,978.74, 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 July, 2023; 6. Approve receiving Sheriff's Statement on collection of distress warrants for June, 2023; 7. Approve sending letter to Planning & Zoning requesting review of regulations for Livestock Confinement facilities/operations; 8. Approve Utility Permit #1282 to Norris Public Power. Norris will be installing new electrical line to resident at 8898 West Buckeye Road. Norris will start in the south grader ditch, bore under Buckeye Road to the North grader ditch then onto resident's property to utility pole. Located North of section 3, T-5-N, R-5-E Grant Twp & South of Section 34, T-6-N, R-5-E, Clatonia Twp.; 9. Approve reappointing Dennis Rosene to another term on the Gage County Planning & Zoning Commission effective July 1, 2023; 10. Approve receiving County Offices Inventory Statements and place on file.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount Allowed</u>
Courthouse Employees	Salaries	154,152.20
Advanced Correctional Healthcare	Jail on-site medical svcs.	10,067.16
Capital One, NA	Prob. supplies	49.13
Charter Communications	Jail cable TV	351.88
CMH Clinics	Pre-empl. medical	123.00
Correctional Risk Services, Inc.	Inmate medical	3748.86
Critical Hire	Pre-empl. medical	25.00
Culligan of Lincoln	Water cooler/ice machine combo, water, rent	418.83
CVSOAN	Vets conf.	60.00
DAS St Accntng, Cntrl Fin 6507	Data proc.	54.60
Lloyd Dickinson	Appraiser for protests	13,475.00
Diode Communications	Monitoring	80.85
Diode Technologies	Parts, labor	708.94
Dr. Eric Thomsen	Mntl hlth hrng	95.00
Eakes Office Solutions	Prob offc supplies	641.64
Echo Group	Ballast, parts	240.78
Farmers Coop. – Beatrice	Fuel for generators	34.61
Gage County	Fund transfer to Emer Mgmt	60,000.00
Gage County Sheriff's Offc.	Shf fees/mlg	432.49
Hometown Leasing	Prob copier leases	472.70
Jerry Shelton, Atty	Atty fees	3396.25
Jones Automotive, Inc.	Parts, labor	667.00
Lammel Plumbing	Shower repair	114.91
Lancaster County Sheriff	Process svc	33.43
Land Survey Tech	Co. Surveyor operating expns	5579.91
Lauby Plumbing, Htng. & Air	Svc. call, labor	292.50
Lepant Law Office, PC LLO	Mntl hlth hrng	95.00
Lincoln Journal Star	Publications	1517.75
Mahloch Law Office	Atty fees	697.00
Midwest Process Services	Civil process fees	341.90
MIPS, Inc.	Computer suppt./programs	5131.09
Murray Law, PC LLO	Atty fees	2721.75
NACO	Annl conf. fee, Treas	150.00

NE Assn Co Clks, Reg of Deeds	Wkshp regis	50.00
Nelson, Clark & Timan	Public Defender	6346.15
NMC Exchange	Generator repair	2321.39
Norris Public Power Dist.	Tower utilities	49.75
P.E.R.U.	Inmate excess medical ins.	11,045.00
Paper Tiger Shredding	Doc shredding	35.00
Philippi Electric, Inc.	Parts, labor	931.58
Primary Arms, LLC	Shf. supplies	1746.92
Priority Printing	Bus. cards, env.	184.45
Quill – Ext.	Offc supplies	271.59
Quill – Prob.	Offc supplies	426.58
Kristine Riekenberg	Court reporting, mnntl hlth hrng	367.25
SE NE Communications	Falls City Prob phones	113.57
Staples	Offc supplies	55.98
Stephen Kraviec, PC LLO	Child Suppt. Enf. Atty	2398.05
Summit Food Service, LLC	Jail meal svc.	5417.86
T.O. Haas Tire	Parts, oil changes	1117.88
The Voice News	Publications	449.82
TK Elevator Corp.	Elevator maint.	256.76
Tri County Credit Bulletin	Semi-annl. billing	168.30
U.S. Bank – Purchase cards	Supplies	1281.25
U.S. Postal Svc.	Postage for meter	25,000.00
Verizon Wireless – GCSO	Cell phones	480.12
Verizon Wireless – Prob	Cell phones	393.40
Washington Co. Shf.	Boarding inmates	13,500.00
Westlake Ace Hardware	Supplies	63.83
Windstream – Wilber Prob	Phones	52.60
Windstream – Vets	Phones	246.97

Road Fund

Highway Department Employees	Salaries	41,317.19
All Copy Products, Inc.	Copy coverage	35.46
Beatrice Concrete – Sand & Gravel	Rock & gravel	41,380.76
Bomgaars	Bolts, blades, weed killer, sprayers	514.33
Capital One, NA	Supplies	6.48
Cather & Sons Const., Inc.	Asphalt	2931.52
City of Wymore	Utilities	77.69
Constellation NewEnergy Gas Div.	Utilities	31.71
Diversified Drug Testing	Drug/alcohol testing	225.00
First Wireless, Inc.	On-glass antenna	216.84
Johnny's Welding, Inc.	Iron	141.12
Landmark Implement, Inc.	Parts	589.91
Larry's Tire & Service	Tire changeovers	240.00
Matheson Tri Gas, Inc.	Welding supplies	51.73
MIPS, Inc.	Hwy program	192.32
R.L. Tiemann Const.	Twp gravel & hauling	50,978.74
Rock On, Inc.	Hauling material	10,295.66
T.O. Haas Tire	Tires	153.98
Tractor Supply Co.	Filter	17.99
U.S. Bank – Purchase Cards	Marking flags, Trlr LED light bar	176.68
Westlake Ace Hardware	Ladder, fitting	134.08
Wymore Oil Co., Inc.	Used tire	50.00

Visitor's Promotion Fund

Beatrice Area Chamber of Commerce	Lodging tax	138.24
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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	42,137.07
Mutual of Omaha	Employee elective ins policy premiums	546.31

General Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	10,720.58
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	11,224.95
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health insurance	25,443.57

Road Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	2,788.91
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	3,025.57
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health insurance	8,961.25

Swavely said he would like to pull item #7 from the consent agenda until the next meeting. Motion made by Swavely, seconded by Lytle approve the consent agenda with item #7 being pulled. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Swavely to approve claim #23080070 to Johnny's Welding in the amount of \$141.12. Motion carried 5-0-1 with Jurgens abstaining.

Motion made by Swavely, seconded by Dorn to approve claim # 23080075 to R.L. Tiemann Const. Inc. in the amount of \$50,978.74, bringing the total amount of claims approved thru August 9, 2023 to 596,048.91. Motion carried 5-0-1 with Tiemann abstaining.

Clint Rule of Liberty NE spoke under public comments saying that at a previous meeting he had requested a survey for safety of that the road from 176th from Liberty down to the Alms confinement. They said the only concern they had was a plank on the bridge, there is no bridges between Liberty and there. There is a bridge one just North of there, a concrete bridge and he is concerned they may have been on the wrong road. He would like to make sure the safety on the road will accompany the semis and the bus on the road. Tiemann advised Rule that he should talk to Hwy Supt. Mark Kuhnke. He can give more accurate information than that. We did look at that road and he will have different information on that piece road.

Committee reports were given by Dave Jones on Bldg. & Grounds, Tiemann on Equalization, Jurgens on Finance/Insurance, Tiemann on Human Resources/Employee Relations, Lisa Wiegand on Emergency Management/P&Z, and Jurgens on Road & Bridge. Items of discussion were replacing a pole at Veteran's Office, P&Z Mtg. scheduled for August 29th at 6:30 p.m., and zoning permit approval.

Tiemann read a proclamation into record to declare September 14, 2023 as the Big Give Gage Day.

Motion made by Jurgens, seconded by Swavely to approve the County Health Insurance Plan for 2023-2024. Brad Swiggart with Northwestern Mutual spoke about the self-insured and the saving the county has seen on this vs a fully insured plan. Discussed that plans are struggling with the pharmaceuticals, especially the specialty drugs. The county will look at what options that may be for additional savings on the pharmaceutical side. He also said they will be holding an informational employee meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

RESOLUTION #23-12

**SIGNING OF THE
COUNTY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE
2023**

Resolution No. 23-12

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 23-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2510(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards; and

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification of program compliance by each county shall be signed by the County Board Chairperson and shall include the resolution of the governing body of the county authorizing the signing of the certification.

Be it resolved that the County Board Chairperson of Gage County is hereby authorized to sign the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance.

Adopted this 9th day of August, 2023 at Beatrice, Nebraska.

County Board Members

/s/ Eddie T. Dorn

/s/ Gary Lytle

/s/ David L. Swavely

/s/ Don Schuller

/s/ Erich Tiemann

/s/ Terry Jurgens

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

Attest:

/s/ Dawn Hill
Gage County Clerk

Seal

Motion made by Jurgens, seconded by Swavely to approve Resolution #23-12 for signing of the County Annual Certification Program Compliance Form 2023. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Jurgens, seconded by Schuller to approve the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards 2023. Motion carried 6-0.

Short break at 9:40 a.m. Back in session at 9:53 a.m. Jurgens left meeting during the break.

Motion made by Lytle, seconded by Swavely to move into closed session at 9:53 a.m. for personnel. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Lytle to move out of closed session at 12:08 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Chairman declared Board of Supervisors meeting adjourned at 12:08 a.m. until August 23, 2023.

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 August, 2023.

(SEAL)

/s/ Dawn Hill
Dawn Hill
Gage County Clerk