

Wheeler County Board Minutes



Bartlett, Nebraska
August 26, 2020

The Wheeler County Commissioner's met in regular session on this date at 8:00 AM. Notice of the meeting was published and posted according to law. Chairman Hoerle called the meeting to order and identified the location of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act poster on the Court Room West wall and made reference to open law literature available for the public. Answering roll call were Commissioner's Hoerle, Heinz, and Pokorny. Clerk Snider, County Attorney Joe McNally, Sheriff Lindsay, Road Foreman Reed and Weed Superintendent Reiter were also present along with members of the public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

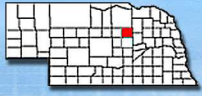
Heinz made a motion to approve the July 29, 2020 meeting minutes, seconded by Pokorny. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Heinz, Pokorny, and Hoerle. Voting nay: none.

Heinz made a motion to approve the August 2020 claims, seconded by Pokorny. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Heinz, Pokorny, and Hoerle. Voting nay none.

General Fund

Payroll

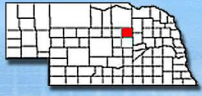
Commissioner, salary	\$806.25
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Clerk, salary	3,767.66
Deputy Clerk, salary	2,825.75
Treasurer, salary	3,420.54
Deputy Treasurer, salary	1,268.75
Janitorial, salary	242.13
Sheriff, salary	4,064.00
Deputy Sheriff, salary	3,655.49
Sheriff Clerical, salary	1,147.00
County Attorney, salary	2,878.66
Zoning Administrator, salary	200.00
Aflac, insurance	142.88
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp, vision insurance	128.80
Ameritas Retirement Plans Division, retirement	3,057.62
Appera, services	68.00
Asche, Tom, zoning meeting mileage	18.40
Bartlett Post Office, postage	220.00
Burwell Tribune, publishing	161.35
DAS Sate Accounting AS 400 fees	252.32
Delta Dental, dental insurance	263.55
Farmers and Merchants Bank, payroll w/h	5,512.21
G-L-W Extension Service, support	1,886.91
Galls, LLC, supplies	981.76
Holt County Treasurer, veterans contract/share of probation	616.67
J & J Sanitation, services	161.56
Lemburg, Curtis, zoning meeting mileage	33.35
Loup Valley's Rural Public Power District, services	443.26
Mahony, Patrick, zoning meeting mileage	19.55



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McNally Law Office, clerical, meeting reimbursement	2,100.00
Microfilm Imaging System, services	60.00
Miller, Adam, zoning meeting mileage	17.25
Miller, Dean, zoning meeting mileage	20.70
MIPS, Inc, program	1,178.15
MM C Store, sheriff fuel	270.66
Mutual of Omaha, life insurance	309.60
Nebraska Association of County Officials, assessor workshop	125.00
Nebraska Department of Revenue, payroll w/h	738.50
NetCom, Inc., sheriff patrol unit computer setup	1,020.00
Niemeyer, Jean, zoning meeting mileage	16.10
Nordhues Family, services	625.00
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co, services	491.14
Office Net, supplies	35.61
Platte Valley Communications, computer repairs	533.10
Presto-X, monthly services	48.00
Quill Corporation, supplies	76.70
Schrunk, Ellis, zoning meeting mileage	21.85
Sears, Donna, reimbursement	49.19
Snider, Cara, reimbursement	167.72
United Fire & Casualty Company, museum fire policy	5,228.00
United Healthcare Insurance Co, insurance	14,663.10
Verizon Wireless, sheriff cell	232.44
Wada's Inc, ac repair	435.68
We Mart, sheriff fuel	173.71
Wheeler County Treasurer, postage	110.00
ROAD FUND	
Payroll	
Highway Superintendent, salary	\$833.33
Road Foreman, salary	3,660.42
Road Employee, salary	2,796.54
Road Employee, salary	2,972.03
Road Employee, salary	2,752.73
Road Employee, salary	2,965.84
Road Employee, salary	3,077.02
Road Employee, salary	2,385.06
Road Employee, salary	2,895.60
Road Employee, salary	2,892.86
Weed Superintendent, salary	100.00
AB Recovery, garnishment	425.19
Ace Irrigation & MFG, Co, culverts	3,949.00
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp., vision insurance	55.36
Ameritas Retirement Plans Division, retirement	3,063.53
Appera, services	26.99
Bomgaars Supply Inc, supplies	72.93
Caterpillar Financial Services, grader payment	14,767.68
Country Partners, rock backhaul	1,288.78
Delta Dental, insurance	140.10
Emme Sand and Gravel, gravel and dirt	27,943.51



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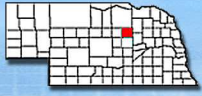


Farmers and Merchants Bank, payroll w/h	5,874.01
Hillbill's Diesel, repairs	10.64
Hooker Brothers Sand & Gravel, Inc, gravel	3,347.84
J & J Sanitation, services	199.74
Loup Valleys Rural Public Power District, shop services	178.82
Martin Marietta Materials, gravel	2,080.92
Medical Enterprises, Inc, drug testing	35.00
Nebraska Department of Revenue, payroll w/h	754.32
Nebraska Machinery Co, repairs	4,622.31
Nebraska Truck Center, INC, repairs	69.41
Newman Traffic Signs, signs	2,847.68
Nitro Construction, INC, crushed concrete	9,731.76
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co, services	107.23
O'Neill Auto Supply, INC, repairs	38.95
Payne, Gail, insurance stipend	500.00
Powerplan, repairs,	4,601.35
Rasmussen Land Surveying, LLC, survey section	877.00
Reed, Delan, insurance	500.00
Reiter, Doug, meeting mileage	126.50
Ryan's Truck and Tractor Repairs, repairs	31.76
SAPP Bros Petroleum, Inc, diesel/oil	4,979.28
Shotkoski Enterprises, hauling gravel	6,975.22
Tetschner, Glenn, insurance	500.00
The Parts Bin, Inc, supplies	269.64
Twin Rivers Urgent Care, drug testing	20.00
Ulrich Gravel Inc, gravel	9,747.51
United Healthcare Insurance, insurance	12,316.90
Van Diest Supply Co, chemicals	1,339.14
We Mart, road fuel	582.14
Williamson, Riley, insurance	500.00
WPCI, drug testing	28.25

Weed Superintendent Reiter gave a monthly update. He has been spraying cattails and contacted the company supplying the spray as it's not been effective. He reported the company will be back out in 3 or 4 weeks to review the issue. The question was brought up about the protocol for landowners who are not spraying noxious weeds on their land. The landowners will receive a letter to inform them that they need to take care of the problem and if they do not address the issue then legal action will be taken. No action taken.

Jerry Koinzan inquired about the road maintenance of the 1st mile south of Highway 70 on 508th Ave. Reed had stated the county is not responsible for maintenance as the road is in the Road Use Agreement with Invenergy and they are to maintain the road. No action taken.

Hoerle opened the public hearing to consider changing the Zoning Property Classification from Agricultural to Residential for a .242 acre parcel located in NE ¼ NW ¼ of Section 25 Township 21 Range 12 by Lake Ericson at 8:20 a.m. Michele Wells, on behalf of Cabin Realty, took the floor to explain the requested change of property classification. The current land owner bought the "ag" property as a leech field and it's now up for sale and the potential buyer is unable to purchase this property if there are 2 different zoning classifications. Wells stated that the potential buyer has no intentions of changing or adding to the property as they are just wanting the classification changed so they are able to proceed with their loan. The Zoning Board recommended the County Board approve the change. Heinz made a motion to



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close the public hearing at 8:25 a.m., seconded by Pokorny. On roll call by the clerk voting aye: Heinz, Pokorny, and Hoerle. Voting nay: none.

Heinz had made a motion to approve changing the zoning classification as presented, seconded by Pokorny. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Heinz, Pokorny, and Hoerle. Voting nay: none.

Because of an error on the legal description for sale of the County property, the item was tabled until notice can be republished. Bids will need to be resubmitted and will be opened at the September 30 meeting. No action taken.

Pokorny gave a brief update on the section of road north of Donnie Kahl's. Bygland Dirt Contracting had verbally stated to Pokorny that it would be between \$500 to \$1,000 to fix the few holes. Pokorny made a motion to allow Bygland Dirt Contracting to proceed with the agreed upon road work once they get the main section of road completed, seconded by Heinz. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Pokorny, Heinz, and Hoerle. Voting nay: none.

Resolution 20200803 was presented to set the public hearing date for September 30th at 8:30 am on the request for abandoning or vacating section lines/open roads between Sections 12 and 13, Township 23 Range 10, and also between Section 13 Township 23 Range 10 and Section 18, Township 23, Range 9. Motion by Pokorny, second by Hoerle to approve Resolution 20200803. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Pokorny, Hoerle, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Pokorny made motion to approve the Underground and Driveway Permits that were presented at the last meeting and setting a \$50 fee for such permit, seconded by Hoerle. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Pokorny, Hoerle, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Snider presented all county official inventories for the board to review. No action taken.

Hoerle made a motion to offer Legal Shield Business Solution and Identity Theft Plan to any employee that would like to have the product at their cost, seconded by Pokorny. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Hoerle, Pokorny, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

The preliminary budget paperwork was provided for the board to review before the Special Meeting that will be held on September 2 at 8 am. No action taken.

Hoerle made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel issues at 9:00 a.m., seconded by Heinz. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Hoerle, Pokorny, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Executive session was exited at 10:15 a.m.

With no other business coming before the board Chairman Hoerle adjourned the meeting at 10:15 am.

There will be a special meeting on Wednesday September 2, at 8 am. The next scheduled regular meeting will be held on Wednesday September 30, 2020, at 8 a.m.

Cara Snider, County Clerk
Jim Hoerle, Board Chairman