

Wheeler County Board Minutes



Bartlett, Nebraska
October 27, 2021

The Wheeler County Commissioners met in regular session on this date at 8:00 AM. Notice of the meeting was published and posted according to law. Chairman Heinz 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 Commissioners Heinz, Plugge and Pokorny. Clerk Snider, Treasurer Seamann, County Attorney Joe McNally, and Road Foreman Reed were also present along with members of the public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Plugge made a motion to accept the minutes from the September 14th special meeting, September 30th regular meeting and the October 12th special meeting, seconded by Pokorny. Voting aye: Plugge, Pokorny, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Chairman Heinz opened the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan public hearing at 8:05 am.

Diana Hurlburt, a Garfield County Commissioner and Steve Niemeyer, GLW Extension Agent, met with the board to discuss the possibility of using the ARPA money to either build on to the Garfield County Courthouse or building a new office space for a new Extension Office. The board will consider the idea when more specifics are known.

Road foreman Reed updated the board on several culverts needing replacement and that he found auto gates/cattle grids manufactured in Texas that are \$2,300 a gate. The board gave Reed authority to purchase one auto gate to see how it would work before they purchase the rest.

Treasurer Seamann presented Resolution 20211002 to transfer money from the Inheritance Fund to the Road Fund. Pokorny made a motion to approve Resolution 20211002 to transfer \$150,000 from the Inheritance Fund to the Road Fund and transfer the monies back from Road Fund to Inheritance when the funds are available, seconded by Plugge. Voting aye: Pokorny, Plugge, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Treasurer Seamann presented the Distress Warrant list which will be turned over to the Sheriff on November 1, 2021, unless they are paid beforehand.

Sheriff Lindsay's quarterly report was presented and reviewed.

Pokorny made a motion to appoint Rasmussen Land Surveying as County Surveyor on an as needed basis, seconded by Heinz. Voting aye: Pokorny, Heinz, and Plugge. Voting nay: none.

Pokorny made a motion to accept the bid that Marilyn Mignery and Sharon Derner had presented in the August meeting to repair the ceiling in the basement of the Old Courthouse/museum, seconded by Heinz. Voting aye: Pokorny, Heinz, and Plugge. Voting nay: none.

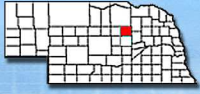
Grader Bids were opened to potentially replace 2 aging graders. Jake Ryba from Murphy Tractor visited with the board about his company's bids for the 2 graders that they had available for sale.

Heinz made a motion at 9:30 am to enter into executive session for contract discussion, seconded by Plugge. Voting aye: Heinz, Plugge, and Pokorny. Voting nay: none.

The board exited executive session at 9:50 a.m.

Plugge made a motion to accept both bids for the purchase of 2 Deere road graders for a total of \$423,000.00 after the trade in, seconded by Heinz. Voting aye: Plugge, Heinz, and Pokorny. Voting nay: none.

Heinz closed the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan at 10:08 am.



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Pokorny made a motion to approve Resolution 20211003 approving the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan, seconded by Heinz. Voting aye: Pokorny, Heinz, and Plugge. Voting nay: none.

Plugge made a motion to enter into executive session at 10:34 am to discuss elected officials salaries for the upcoming election, seconded by Pokorny. Voting aye: Plugge, Pokorny, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

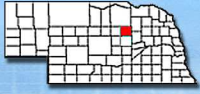
The board exited executive session at 11:15 a.m. The elected officials salary matter was tabled.

GENERAL FUND

Payroll	\$ 19,889.99
AFLAC, insurance	203.33
Ameritas Retirement Plans Division, retirement	3,076.23
Appera, service	75.26
Applied Connective Technologies, support	17.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance, insurance	13,736.66
Comfort Inn-Kearney, mtg lodging	379.85
DAS State Accounting-Central Finance, AS400 fees	223.32
Farmers & Merchants Bank, payroll w/h	5,508.96
G-L-W Extension Service, support	1,908.44
Holiday Inn-Kearney, mtg lodging	239.90
Holt County Treasurer, veterans contract	491.67
Howard County Clerk, Dist. Court qtrly expense	583.01
Loup Valleys Rural Public Power Dist., service	300.18
McNally Law Office, clerical/rent	2,100.00
Merrick County Sheriff, court fees	42.60
Microfilm Imaging Systems, Inc., court equipment rent	60.00
MIPS, Inc., computer programs/supplies	1,435.34
MM C Store, sheriff fuel	245.91
Nebraska Dept. of Revenue, payroll w/h	739.35
Nordhues Family, mowing	360.00
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co., service	493.64
Office Net, supplies	70.45
Gary Peterson, court appointed attorney	60.00
Roy Plugge, insurance stipend	500.00
Presto-X, service	50.00
Region III Administration, support	516.37
Region 26, support	10,074.65
Carol Seamann, reimbursement	110.76
Donna Sears, supplies	23.32
Cara Snider, mtg mileage	300.20
Staples Credit Plan, supplies	85.18
Valley County Sheriff, prisoner keep	1,250.00
Verizon Wireless, service	162.06
Village of Bartlett, water/sewer/trash	606.99
VSP Insurance Co., insurance	155.37
We Mart, sheriff fuel	297.47
Wheeler County Treasurer, postage	116.00

ROAD FUND

Payroll,	\$ 23,984.24
AG Spray Equipment, repairs	32.29



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Ameritas Retirement Plans Division, retirement	3,441.13
Appeara, service	41.37
Blue Cross Blue Shield, insurance	9,126.60
Bomgaars Supply, Inc., supplies	214.62
Emme Sand & Gravel, gravel	20,817.67
Farmers & Merchants Bank, payroll w/h	6,449.14
Hillbill's Diesel, repairs	639.80
J & J Sanitation, garbage pickup	106.87
Loup Valleys Rural Public Power Dist., service	173.56
Madison Nation Life, insurance	17.28
Midwest Service & Sales Co., repairs	584.98
Nebraska Dept. of Revenue, payroll w/h	885.39
Nebraska Dept. of Transportation, fees	710.89
Nebraska Machinery Co., repairs	1,542.66
Newman Traffic Signs, signs	4,792.33
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co., service	106.66
Oak Creek Engineering, project fees	2,760.00
Gail Payne, insurance stipend	500.00
Peoples Service, tires	14,213.30
Platinum Truck Service, LLC, repairs	1,508.50
Powerplan, repairs	212.02
Rasmussen Land Surveying LLC, set corners	568.00
Delan Reed, insurance stipend	645.38
Ryan's Truck & Tractor Repair, repairs	980.56
Sapp Petroleum, Inc., diesel	10,231.51
Staples Credit Plan, supplies	81.89
Glenn Tetschner, insurance stipend	500.00
The Parts Bin, Inc., repairs	156.52
Ulrich Gravel, Inc., gravel	1,864.96
VSP Insurance Co., insurance	53.77
We Mart, fuel	544.29
Lonnie Wood, insurance stipend	500.00

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 AM on a motion by Heinz, seconded by Pokorny. Voting aye: Heinz, Pokorny, and Plugge. Voting nay: none.

There will be a special meeting on November 16th with County Government Day to follow.

The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 27, 2021, at 8 a.m.

Cara Snider, County Clerk
Travis Heinz, Board Chairman