

Wheeler County Board Minutes



Bartlett, Nebraska February 23, 2022

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, Sheriff Lindsay, Road Superintendent Meyer, County Engineer Lance Harter and Road Foreman Reed were also present along with members of the public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Plugge made a motion, seconded by Pokorny to approve the January 26, 2022, minutes. Voting aye: Plugge, Pokorny, and Heinz.

Curtis Lemburg and Greg Bartak project on Sunnyside to back slope the ditch to replace the fence. Talk was held on closing Trail Road north of Bloomquist's for Dean Seaman. Heinz will contact Seaman and visit with him.

Zoning Administrator discussion was tabled until the March meeting.

Heinz made a motion to accept the Tractor Lease Agreement as presented, seconded by Plugge. Voting aye: Heinz, Plugge, and Pokorny. Voting nay: none.

Treasurer Seamann informed the board that the Road Fund is good and won't have to transfer money this month. She also presented the Delinquent Tax Sheet to the commissioners.

Dean Bos presented concerns about road department with a shortage of help to help cover the roads, as well as washboards 4 Corners West. Reported a culvert that has holes as well.

Dave Hoerle expressed concerns about road west of his ground on Minimum Maintenance Road.

At 9:05 am Pokorny made a motion to recess the regular meeting and to reconvene as the Board of Equalization, seconded by Plugge. Voting aye: Pokorny, Plugge and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Nichols presented the permissive nonprofit tax exemptions for the county as follows:

Organization Name	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Use</u>
Bartlett United Methodist Church	Religious	Place of Worship
Ericson United Methodist Church	Religious	Place of Worship
Our Savior Lutheran Church	Religious	Place of Worship
St. Theresa Parish	Religious	Place of Worship
Sandhill's Baptist Fellowship	Religious	Place of Worship
Pibel Bible Camp	Religious	Religious Instruction workshop
Ericson Lake, Inc,	Educational	Recreation/educational activities
Wheeler County Ag Society	Agricultural Society	Conduct County Fair



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Pokorny moved to approve the Permissive Exemptions, seconded by Plugge. Voting aye: Pokorny, Plugge, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

At 9:12 am Plugge made a motion to adjourn the Board of Equalization meeting and reconvene with the regular meeting, seconded by Pokorny. Voting aye: Plugge, Pokorny, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Heinz made a motion at 9:15 am to enter executive session, seconded by Plugge. Voting aye: Heinz, Plugge, and Pokorny. Voting nay: none. Left executive session at 9:37 am.

Pokorny made a motion to increase the road wage by \$4 an hour starting in March, seconded by Plugge. Voting aye Pokorny, Plugge, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Discussion was held on the remodel of the bathrooms and the discussion has been tabled until the county receives more bids.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 AM on a motion by Heinz, seconded by Pokorny. Voting aye: Heinz, Pokorny, and Plugge. Voting nay: none.

The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 30, 2022, at 8 a.m.

Cara Snider, County Clerk Travis Heinz, Board Chairman