

Wheeler County Board Minutes



Bartlett, Nebraska

July 26, 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's Deputy King, and Road Foreman Reed were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Plugge made a motion, seconded by Pokorny, to approve the June 29, 2022, minutes. Voting aye: Plugge, Pokorny, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Pokorny made a motion to accept the July 14th Board of Equalization meeting minutes, seconded by Plugge. Voting aye: Pokorny, Plugge, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Plugge made a motion to accept the July 14th Special Meeting minutes, seconded by Heinz. Voting aye: Plugge, Heinz, and Pokorny. Voting nay: none.

Reed reported that Herd Co Road, Sunny Side Road, and Pitzer Road were holding up after the holes had been fixed. He has been talking to Walkowiak's about removing some trees and building up the road by their place.

Reed also stated that something needs to be done about the ditches not being mowed and landowners watering the county roads as they are causing soft spots and other damage.

Pokorny made a motion to proceed with the architect's sketch #5 for the courthouse bathroom remodel project and to solicit bids, seconded by Heinz. Voting aye: Pokorny, Heinz, and Plugge. Voting nay: none.

Snider is to contact SGH Concepts about a bid for a new skylight and bring back to the August meeting.

The sheriff's quarterly report was reviewed as presented.

Heinz made a motion to allow Nancy Lindsay to seek bids for a Sheriff's Office exit audit to present at the August meeting, seconded by Plugge. Voting aye: Heinz, Plugge, and Pokorny. Voting nay: none.

Pokorny made a motion to approve the request for payment from Theisen Construction for the Schrunk Bridge, seconded by Heinz. Voting aye: Pokorny, Heinz, and Plugge. Voting nay: none.

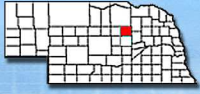
Treasurer Seamann stated that she would not have to transfer money this month and would transfer the monies back when available.

Heinz made a motion to enter executive session at 9:28 am to discuss potential litigation, seconded by Pokorny. Voting aye: Heinz, Pokorny, and Plugge. Voting nay: none.

Executive session as adjourned at 9:38 am.

Heinz made a motion to accept Resolution 20220701 for the Hazard Mitigation Plan, seconded by Pokorny. Voting aye: Heinz, Pokorny, and Plugge. Voting nay: none.

Plugge reported that he'd spoken to the Bartlett and Ericson Village Chairpersons about the county completing minor road maintenance on the edge of both villages where the county road and both approved of the proposal. Plugge made a



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motion to have the county complete minor maintenance where the county and village roads meet, seconded by Heinz. Voting aye: Plugge, Heinz, and Pokorny. Voting nay: none.

Heinz made a motion to advertise for a new auditor to perform the annual audit, seconded by Pokorny. Voting aye: Heinz, Pokorny, and Plugge. Voting nay: none.

Pokorny made a motion to accept the contract from Stanard Appraisal to conduct the reappraisals for Bartlett Village, Ericson Village and Lake Ericson properties, seconded by Plugge. Voting aye: Pokorny, Plugge, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

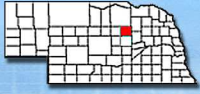
Pokorny made a motion to approve the tax levy request from the Rural Fire District and Wheeler County Ag Society, seconded by Heinz. Voting aye: Pokorny, Heinz, and Plugge. Voting nay: none.

Heinz reported that Greeley County had contacted him about possibly sharing a Zoning Administrator and he will ask Greeley County for more details and update the board.

Plugge made a motion to approve the following claims, seconded by Pokorny. Voting aye: Plugge, Pokorny and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

GENERAL FUND

Payroll	\$20,848.05
Aflac, insurance	203.33
Ameritas Retirement Plans Division, retirement	3,222.77
Antelope County Sheriff Department, prisoner keep	225.00
Appear, services	119.93
Applied Connective Technologies, computer repairs	72.50
Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance, dental/health insurance	17,525.10
Burwell Tribune, publication	548.48
Colliers Landscaping & Lawn Care, yard care	305.00
DAS Sate Accounting AS 400 fees	204.32
Eakes Office Solutions, supplies	187.06
Farmers and Merchants Bank, payroll w/h	5,773.98
First Conrad Benefits Group, deductible buy down	64.00
G-L-W Extension Services, monthly support	1,970.50
Gaylen Boettcher Baier PC, LLO, court appointed attorney,	2,013.77
Geoland Management, LLC, agri-data subscription	400.00
Holt County Treasurer, veterans contract	516.67
Holt County Jail, prisoner keep	100.00
Loup Valleys Rural Public Power District, services	326.77
McNally Law Office, clerical, meeting reimbursement	2,100.00
Microfilm Imaging System, services	60.00
Mid Nebraska Individual Services, support	774.00
Mines Press, registration sleeves	305.56
MIPS, Inc, program	1,259.25
MM C Store, sheriff fuel	365.96
Nebraska Association of County Clerks, open meetings posters	24.00
Nebraska Department of Revenue, payroll w/h	768.61
Nordhues Family, services	435.00
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co., services	486.22
Plugge, Roy, insurance stipend	500.00



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Presto-X, monthly services	56.50
Quill Corporation, supplies	85.98
Ramsey Ranch Supply, battery	190.95
Region III Administration, 1 st quarter support	521.57
Region 26 Council, 1 st quarter assistance	11,075.23
Sears, Donna, supplies	45.23
Snider, Cara, meeting reimbursement	15.70
Staples Credit Plan, supplies	87.81
Verizon Wireless, sheriff cell	165.84
Village of Bartlett, services	666.99
VSP Insurance Co. vision insurance	155.37
We Mart, sheriff fuel	263.48
Wells Plumbing & Heating Co, services	384.28
Wheeler County Treasurer, postage	34.69

ROAD FUND

Payroll	\$22,594.47
Ameritas Retirement Plans Division, retirement	3,296.36
Appeara, services	32.03
Blue Cross Blue Shield, dental/health insurance	13,315.00
Burwell Tribune, publication	192.00
Emme Sand & Gravel, gravel	4,427.39
Farmers and Merchants Bank, payroll w/h	6,398.13
First Conrad Benefits Group, deductible buy down	48.00
J & J Materials, crushed rock	1,492.32
J & J Sanitation, services	137.45
Loup Valleys Rural Public Power District, shop services	150.89
Madison Nation Life, insurance	14.06
Nebraska Department of Revenue, payroll w/h	999.50
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co, services	106.67
Oak Creek Engineering, Schrunck Bridge	6,236.65
Peoples Service, tires	2,491.00
PowerPlan, repairs	643.20
Reed, Delan, insurance	500.00
Sapp Bros Petroleum, INC., diesel	10,217.92
The Parts Bin, Inc, supplies	517.58
Thiessen Construction Inc, Schrunck bridge work	350.00
Ulrich Gravel Inc, gravel,	5,340.93
VSP Insurance Co, vision insurance	36.68
We Mart, road fuel	984.55

The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 31st, 2022, at 8 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am on a motion by Pokorny, seconded by Heinz. Voting aye: Pokorny, Heinz, and Plugge. Voting nay: none.

Cara Snider, County Clerk

Travis Heinz, Board Chairman