

Boone County Board Minutes



BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS DECEMBER 28, 2016 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, December 28, 2016 in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Courthouse in Albion, Nebraska.

Chairman Luettel called the meeting to order and Commissioners present for roll call were Jerry L. Tisthammer, Ken Luettel and Hilary K. Maricle. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and the convened meeting was open to the public. Chairman Luettel acknowledged the agenda and noted that the Open Meeting Laws are posted and available to the public.

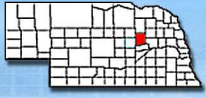
Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to approve the County Payroll Claims filed for payment from the various funds: General \$96,696.49, BCBS \$44,176.54, Ameritas Ret \$6,684.64, EFTPS \$7,221.07, Section 125 Fees \$12.50, Wellness Program \$71.80; Road \$51,234.89, BCBS \$25,966.18, Ameritas Ret \$3,458.34, EFTPS \$3,859.80; Ambulance \$1,915.00, Ameritas Ret \$61.09, EFTPS \$146.48; Public Defender Contract \$3,120.00; Boone County Fitness Center \$6,484.16, Ameritas Ret \$346.57, EFTPS \$496.05, which is all reimbursed back to the County. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Tisthammer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to approve the County Board Proceedings of December 19, 2016 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Tisthammer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Luettel, second by Tisthammer to approve the County Board Road Vacation Public Hearing Proceedings of December 19, 2016 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Tisthammer and Maricle. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Darrel Thorin, County Highway Superintendent, Stacey L. Robinson, Assistant County Highway Superintendent, and the Board discussed the following topics:

- Thorin updated the Board regarding road/bridge maintenance, materials and projects.
- Thorin informed the Board that the new motor grader was delivered December 22, 2016.
- Thorin informed the Board that two 46 ft. CPS gravel belly dump semi-trailers were ordered from Siouxland Trailer Sales, Inc. at \$44,000.00 each.
- Thorin, Robinson and the Board discussed responsibility of culverts for driveways. The consensus following the discussion was to have one policy in place by a resolution and the new resolution will void and take precedence over all prior resolutions and board proceedings.
- Thorin and Robinson presented the information they researched through zoning regulations and state statutes regarding the pictures recently taken by Thorin showing destruction to county road right-of-way ditches. The structure of a county road ditch has been altered and contains animal waste runoff. The Highway Superintendent plans to visit with the landowner regarding the destruction.
- Thorin informed the Board that he felt a certified signage technician would benefit the county road department.



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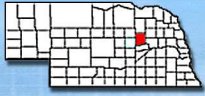
A Memorandum of Understanding was received for the Board to review and approve regarding Juvenile Services grants. The purpose of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to designate the Madison County Attorney's Office as the official applicant and "lead county" for the Nebraska Crime Commission's 2017 Community-Based Juvenile Services Grant application for Madison and Boone Counties. As such, the Madison County Attorney's Office will serve as the fiscal agent for the grant application program. Effective dates for the MOU will be from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Funds not used by Boone County will be used for other services in the Northeast Nebraska Juvenile Justice Partnership Plan. Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to approve and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for the Nebraska Crime Commission's 2017 Community-Based Juvenile Services Grant as presented. Roll call Vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Tisthammer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board in accordance with Nebraska Revised Statute §77-2318 approves the applications and authorizes the deposit of county funds in designated banks as County Depositories each year. Motion made by Maricle, second by Tisthammer to approve as written Resolution No. 2016-69 to accept and approve the written applications of the following designated County Depositories of the County Funds for calendar year 2017: Boone County Bank, a division of Madison County Bank, Albion; Cedar Rapids State Bank, Cedar Rapids; Cornerstone Bank of York, Albion and St. Edward Branches; First Bank & Trust of Fullerton, St. Edward Branch; Great Plains State Bank of Petersburg; Homestead Bank of Cozad, Albion Branch; and alternate investment NPAIT, Lincoln. Roll call vote: Yeas: Maricle, Tisthammer and Luettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board held several discussions regarding how the Boone County Ambulance Service rates are being paid for the drivers and medical personnel. The ambulance personnel have been paid by a flat rate per transport ambulance service. The suggestion from the labor attorney's that assist NIRMA with the employee handbook that the Ambulance Service personnel be all hourly paid position for all logged worked hours per FLSA. The ambulance personnel will be paid an hourly rate for their hours of service recorded through the County Time & Attendance System. The rates per hour are as follows: Registered Nurses - \$42.00; Paramedics - \$40.00; Licensed Practical Nurses, Emergency Medical Technicians, Emergency Medical Technicians/Drivers, Driver/Ambulance Administrator - \$35.00; and Drivers - \$25.00. Motion made by Tisthammer, second by Maricle to approve Resolution No. 2016-70, Boone County Ambulance Service hourly rates of pay for ambulance personnel as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Tisthammer, Maricle and Luettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the year end June 30, 2016 audit report prepared by Michael J. Pommer, CPA. A "Notice of Completion of Audit" was submitted to the Albion News for publication the week of December 26, 2016. Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to accept and approve the audit as presented for fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 and said audit is on file with the Boone County Clerk and the Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Tisthammer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board and County Highway Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent discussed the applications received for the advertised General Road Foreman/Weed Superintendent position. The consensus of the group was to interview the applicants on January 5, 2017 following the County Board Reorganizational meeting. The applicants interviewed on January 5, 2017 will have the option for their application to be on file for the possibility of an additional road position or road/composition position.



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Mary Ziemba, Boone County Planning and Zoning Administrator, presented a Contract for Services Agreement between Boone County, Nebraska and Marvin Planning Consultants, Inc. for the Board to review. Ziemba asked the Board to hire a new Zoning Consultant for the County. The purpose of the agreement is for the project entitled Boone County, Nebraska Zoning Assistance. The agreement shall begin upon signing of the document and is estimated to be continuous until either party terminates said agreement. The agreement contains the scope of services, general conditions and payment rates for Keith A. Marvin, Marvin Planning Constants, Inc. and David Ptak, Attorney at Law. Motion made by Tisthammer, second by Luettel to approve and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the Contract for Services Agreement between Boone County, Nebraska and Keith A. Marvin, Marvin Planning Consultants, Inc. effective December 28, 2016 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Tisthammer, Luettel and Maricle. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Open discussion and miscellaneous public comments:

- Denny Johnson, Sheriff, updated the Board regarding the law enforcement/jail building project.
- IRS is changing the mileage rate reimbursement beginning January 1, 2017 to 53.5 cents per mile.
- An employee appreciation meal is today December 28, 2016 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Albion KC Hall and prepared by the Albion Senior Center. A retirement open house will follow from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the courthouse in the meeting room for retiring employees.

Chairman Luettel declared the meeting adjourned at 2:05 P.M., the next Board meeting is the 2017 Reorganizational Meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 5, 2017 and the next regular Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 9, 2017.

Kathy Thorberg,
Boone County Clerk