



Boone County Board Minutes



BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS JANUARY 25, 2017 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, January 25, 2017 in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Courthouse in Albion, Nebraska.

Chairman Maricle called the meeting to order and Commissioners present for roll call were Hilary K. Maricle and Alan Rasmussen. Commissioner Ken Luettel arrived at 9:01 A.M. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and the convened meeting was open to the public. Chairman Maricle acknowledged the agenda and noted that the Open Meeting Laws are posted and available to the public.

Motion made by Rasmussen, second by Luettel to approve the County Payroll Claims filed for payment from the various funds: General \$95,169.27, BCBS \$44,193.24, Ameritas Ret \$6,619.69, EFTPS \$7,078.95, Section 125 Fees \$15.00, Wellness Program \$71.80; Road \$49,757.11, BCBS \$24,393.44, Ameritas Ret \$3,358.61, EFTPS \$3,750.61; Ambulance \$3,209.10, Ameritas Ret \$111.56, EFTPS \$245.50; and Public Defender Contract \$3,120.00. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rasmussen, Luettel and Maricle. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Luettel, second by Rasmussen to approve the County Board Proceedings of January 17, 2017 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Rasmussen and Maricle. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The primary use of the Boone County Visitors Promotion Fund is to promote, encourage and attract visitors to come to the county through advertisement of the event. The Boone County Visitors Promotion Committee received a request for advertisement funding. The Boone County Home, Farm and Garden Show, LLC requested assistance to advertise the Boone County Home, Farm and Garden Show event scheduled for March 24-25, 2017. Discussion regarding the application was that approvals have been for organizations such as community clubs, church groups, fire departments, etc. that are for non-profit. The record research did not show a non-profit status for the above mentioned LLC. The consensus of the Board was to deny the request to keep consistency with the prior approval/denials of applications. Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to deny the application requesting funding assistance for advertisement from the Visitor's Promotion Fund as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Nebraska Legislature has enacted and the Governor has signed legislation relative to the interest of County Officers in public contracts. Members of the County Board of Commissioners on occasion engage in work for the County beyond their duties and responsibilities as County Commissioners for which they will receive a direct pecuniary fee or commission as a result of such work. Motion made by Maricle, second by Rasmussen to approve Resolution No. 2017-02, (1) Any board member may enter into a contract with Boone County during the year 2017 for the furnishing of services beyond the statutory responsibilities and duties as County Commissioners. (2) Such Commissioner entering into such agreement shall comply with the statutes relating to interest in public contracts, Section 49-14, 103.01 et seq. as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Maricle, Rasmussen and Luettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.



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Stacey Robinson, County Highway Superintendent, and the Board discussed area road conditions due to inclement weather received to date in January. Robinson updated the Board regarding the status of the General Road Foreman and County Weed Superintendent/Sign Technician advertised positions.

The Board and Robinson discussed the Non-Exclusive Contract for Services for truckers to back-haul aggregate for the County. Robinson informed the Board that eight trucker's back-hauled aggregate for the County in 2016. The Board and Robinson discussed adding language to the contracts to include an attached copy of the truck driver's CDL and insurance coverage. In addition, language will be added regarding that the back-hauler contacts the County Highway Superintendent, before any load is accepted by Boone County.

The Board and Robinson discussed the need to purchase aggregate as the stock piles are shrinking fast with the inclement weather. Robinson plans to contact quarries for aggregate bids and availability.

The Board and Robinson discussed leasing/purchasing a shredder for trees and brush for the county road department to use to clean up the county road right-of-ways. The consensus of the Board was for Robinson to obtain more information on shredders and quotes for purchasing or leasing equipment to shred trees/bushes.

Denny Johnson, Boone County Sheriff, asked the Board for an executive session. Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to go into executive session at 10:51 a.m., per the Open Meeting Act §84-1410(D), Evaluation of the job performance of a person when necessary to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person and if such person has not requested a public meeting. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board and Denny Johnson, Sheriff discussed personnel issues. Motion made by Rasmussen, second by Maricle to come out of the executive session at 12:06 p.m. Commissioner Luettel excused himself at 11:55 a.m. to attend another meeting. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rasmussen and Maricle. Nays: None. Absent: Luettel. Motion carried. No action was taken by the Board.

It shall also be the duty of the County Board of each county of this state to visit the jail of its county per Nebraska State Statute 47-109. The Board conducted a routine visit of the Boone County Jail per Nebraska State Statute.

Open discussion and miscellaneous public comments:

- The Board discussed who would attend the various meetings scheduled this week.
- Commissioner Maricle shared information with the Board regarding the Boone County Fitness Center, Inc. changes and activities.
- Commissioner Luettel shared information with the Board regarding the Boone County Agricultural Society, Inc. activities and the Northeast Nebraska Juvenile Services, Inc. changes and concerns.
- The Board attended the EM101 training that was held on January 24th at Fullerton Fire Hall.
- Tom Smith, Region 44 Emergency Manager, and the Board discussed updating the county communication equipment.

Chairman Maricle declared the meeting adjourned at 12:25 P.M., the next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 30, 2017.

Kathy Thorberg,
Boone County Clerk