



Boone County Board Minutes



BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS DECEMBER 17, 2018 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, December 17, 2018, 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 Alan Rasmussen, 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.

The Board received proposals from Brent D. Cyboron, Initial Point Surveying, LLC of Grand Island, Nebraska and Christopher C. Hays, Hays Land Surveying, LLC of Osceola, Nebraska for the appointment as Boone County Surveyor at their December 10, 2018 Board meeting. Cyboron and Hays were both present at the Board meeting and presented their respective proposal to the Board. The Board tabled the decision of the appointment of a Boone County Surveyor to the December 17, 2018 Board meeting to allow the Board to further review the two proposals. In a county having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants in which no county surveyor has been elected and qualified, the county board of such county shall appoint a competent surveyor either on a full-time or part-time basis from any other county of the State of Nebraska to such office. An appointed surveyor shall serve the same four-year term as that of an elected surveyor. The county board shall negotiate a contract with the surveyor, such contract shall specify the responsibility of the appointee to carry out the statutory duties of the office of county surveyor. Christopher C. Hays of Osceola, Nebraska is the appointed Boone County Surveyor with the present Surveyor Services Agreement ending December 31, 2018. Motion made by Maricle, second by Luettel to approve and authorize the Board Chairman to sign an Agreement for Surveyor Services with Christopher C. Hays of Osceola, Nebraska as set forth in Nebraska State Statutes for a four year term ending December 31, 2022 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Maricle, Luettel and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to approve the County Board Proceedings of December 10, 2018 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Rasmussen, second by Maricle to approve the County Board Zoning Public Hearing Proceedings of December 10, 2018 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rasmussen, Maricle and Luettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

As provided by State Statute, Section 23-1302, the County Clerk shall certify to the County Treasurer as of June 15 and December 15 each year the total amount of unpaid claims of the county. Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to approve and accept the Certification from the County Clerk to the County Treasurer as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The County Highway Superintendent updated the Board regarding road equipment repair/replacement, road/bridge maintenance, materials and projects. In addition, the following topics were discussed:



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- A company representative sent a new replacement part for the newly installed propane heating system at the County Road Shop at Cedar Rapids.
- The county building located in Petersburg that received wind damage in June 2018 was destroyed/removed on December 13, 2018. The cement foundation was left in place.
- A quote from a Colorado company was received for deicing liquid material and appears to be substantially lower in price compared to the quote from an Iowa company that was discussed at the December 10, 2018 Board meeting. The Board and County Highway Superintendent plan to discuss the price difference as an agenda item on December 27, 2018.

The Board held a meeting with the elected officials and/or department heads:

- Commissioner Luettel asked all present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- County officials/department heads reported on activities with regard to their respective office.
- Denny Johnson, Sheriff, reported that the frequencies had been changed on all law enforcement and fire department radios in preparation of the Statewide Radio System (SRS) and the merging of the Boone/Nance Communications Systems.
- Mary Ziemba, County Zoning Administrator, reported that the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources will be updating flood plain maps and regulations for Boone County.
- Steve Pritchard, UNL Extension, reported that UNL Extension will be restructuring to improve administration across the state.
- Commissioner Rasmussen reported that the TERC case held on December 3, 2018 upheld the County of Boone process of the tax year 2016 taxable value.
- Commissioner Rasmussen and Luettel reported on the Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) conference held last week in Kearney.
- Commissioner Luettel reported on the new fairgrounds building project.
- Department heads reported on the first annual review of the new Merit Based Pay Program.
- The elected and appointed officials and appointed deputies will be sworn in for their new terms on Thursday, January 3, 2019 at 8:45 A.M.
- Commissioners Maricle and Luettel expressed appreciation to the department heads for working with them throughout their terms.

Public Comments:

- Denny Johnson, Sheriff, updated the Board regarding the possibility of grant funds being available to help with the purchase of a new generator to replace the Winco generator located at the law enforcement/sheriff's office building.
- Denny Johnson, Sheriff, updated the Board regarding the possibility of replacing one of the county sheriff vehicles with a state bid vehicle.

Chairman Luettel declared the meeting adjourned at 11:35 A.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 27, 2018.

Kathy Thorberg,
Boone County Clerk