



# Boone County Board Minutes



## BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS DECEMBER 27, 2018 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Thursday, December 27, 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 Ken Luettel, Hilary K. Maricle and Alan Rasmussen. 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 \$104,083.91, BCBS \$53,028.60, Ameritas Ret \$7,208.56, EFTPS \$7,762.58, Section 125 Fees \$10.00, Wellness Program \$106.61; Road \$59,655.57, BCBS \$31,541.18, Ameritas Ret \$4,026.76, EFTPS \$4,504.28; Ambulance \$1,590.43, Ameritas Ret \$59.60, EFTPS \$121.66; and Public Defender Contract \$3,213.60. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to approve an Accounts Payable Vendor Claim submitted by Vendor ID Number 998 in the amount of \$978.00 for December 1, 2018 - December 18, 2018, due to the written resignation of the full-time employee and the employee contract for the feeding of prisoners effective December 18, 2018. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Rasmussen, second by Maricle to approve the County Board Proceedings of December 17, 2018 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rasmussen, Maricle and Luettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Maricle, second by Luettel to approve the two County Board Zoning Public Hearing Proceedings of December 17, 2018 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Maricle, Luettel and Rasmussen. 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 St. Michael's Parish of Albion requested assistance to advertise the St. Michael's Parish fundraiser event St. Patrick's Carnival scheduled for March 17, 2019. Motion made by Rasmussen, second by Maricle to approve the application requesting funding assistance for advertisement from the Visitor's Promotion Fund as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rasmussen, Maricle and Luettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a written resignation from a full-time County Sheriff/Jail office employee. Motion made by Luettel, second by Rasmussen to accept and approve the resignation of Darla McIntosh that was effective December 18, 2018 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Rasmussen and Maricle. Nays: None. Motion carried.



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Denny Johnson, County Sheriff, and the Board discussed the temporary arrangements Johnson has made for prisoner meals since December 19, 2018. Johnson informed the Board of the entities he has visited with in regard to possibly providing meals for prisoners held in the Boone County Jail. Johnson informed the Board that he has placed an ad in the Albion Newspaper for the acceptance of bids for meals for the prisoners held in the Boone County Jail through 4:00 p.m. on Friday, January 11, 2019.

Rod Nelson, Maintenance, and the Board discussed the information received from LifeGuard MD of Omaha, Nebraska in regard to a recall on the 2010 Philips FRx AED unit located in the courthouse lobby. Nelson received information in regard to the defibrillator: three options if the unit is still under the eight year warranty with AED manufactured after 2012-2013; two options if the AED is out of warranty; and a quote for a new defibrillator, Philips HeartStart Onsite with an eight year warranty and recall rebate. The information received stated that the Philips FRx units are currently not in production and that one may trade the FRx unit in for an Onsite unit or wait until FRx units become available. The defibrillator located in the courthouse lobby is eight years old and the unit is out of warranty. The quote received from LifeGuard MD is for a new defibrillator, Philips HeartStart Onsite with an eight year warranty for \$1,218.00. The quote of \$1,218.00 less recall rebate of \$475.00, credit of \$60.30 using existing pads; credit of \$152.10 using existing battery leaves the quote for a new defibrillator for the courthouse lobby at \$530.60. Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to approve the quote from LifeGuard MD for a new defibrillator, Philips HeartStart Onsite with an eight year warranty, recall rebate, and using the existing pads/battery for a purchase of \$530.60 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Denise Ziemba, Region 44 Emergency Manager, was not present at the Board meeting to present a report on emergency management activities, due to inclement weather.

Larry Bird, Friends of the Trail Committee Chair, and the Board discussed committee representatives and several other items at the November 19, 2018 Board meeting. Bird and the Board reviewed the City of Albion Ordinance No. 273 (18) regarding recreational trails rules for use and penalties. Bird asked the Board to consider the same regulations as stated in the City of Albion Ordinance for the recreational trail portion located on County property. In addition, Bird mentioned the idea of possibly lighting up the trail, but each respective land owner would be responsible for the electric light bill. Commissioner Luettel reminded those present that the Board did not approve contributing any tax funding to the "Boone County Trails System" project. The Board received information that county government statutes do not have fines and misdemeanor language that relates to recreational trails. The consensus of the Board is to prepare a resolution regarding the trail's rules for use in accordance with the City of Albion Ordinance, but not include the language in regard to fines.

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:

- No additional information received from the manufacturer in regard to the problems with the newly installed propane heating system at the County Road Shop at Cedar Rapids.
- No information received of a date to insulate the County Road Shop at Cedar Rapids.
- The breakroom addition for the County Road Shop at Cedar Rapids may become a spring project due to the frozen ground.
- The tank for the deicing liquid material arrived on December 21, 2018.
- Deicing liquid material arrived on December 26, 2018.



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The Board approved the purchase of deicing liquid material from an Iowa Company at their December 10, 2018 Board meeting. The County Highway Superintendent informed the Board on December 17, 2018 that a Colorado Company deicing liquid material price was significantly lower than the Iowa Company. Motion made by Rasmussen, second by Maricle to rescind the motion of December 10, 2018 that approved the purchase of deicing liquid material at \$1.43 per gallon delivered with a minimum of 4700 gallons from Smith Fertilizer & Grain of Knoxville, Iowa. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rasmussen, Maricle and Luettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to purchase deicing liquid material (NexGen Torch) from GMCO Corporation of Rifle, Colorado for \$1.15 per gallon delivered. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

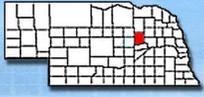
The Board reviewed change orders on December 10, 2018 with Leo Dwyer, president of Rathman Manning Construction, for the new livestock building project for the Boone County Fairgrounds. The Board tabled and did not approve Div. 26, 27, and 28 which included additional electrical work, utility hookups, panel boxes, etc. - \$50,209.00 at their Board meeting on December 10, 2018.

Leo Dwyer, president of Rathman Manning Construction, and Van Galusha, Galusha Electric, presented Change Order #003, 004A and 004B for Div. 25, 26 and 27 for the new livestock building project at the Boone County Fairgrounds. The Board, Dwyer, Galusha, Chuck Rolf, Boone County Agricultural Society, Inc., and by teleconference Ryan Stearns, Architect, reviewed and discussed the three change orders. Change Order #003 is for a 3-phase hook up with Loup Power and install 570' of conduit underground; repairs of concrete and asphalt from trenching; control button module change; and light fixture change for \$10,747.00. Motion made by Maricle, second by Rasmussen to approve Change Order #003 for additional electrical work for the new fairgrounds building project in the amount of \$10,747.00 for Rathman Manning Construction as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Maricle, Rasmussen and Luettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Change Order #004A is for the installation of two additional new panels and eighty additional Twist Lock Receptacles on arena ceiling (no cord drops) for \$52,574.00. Galusha informed the group that if the building project is all completed and ready for use, and then it is decided to add more receptacles, it will take approximately a month of labor to install under the sand based arena. Motion made by Luettel, second by Rasmussen to not approve Change Order #004A as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Rasmussen and Maricle. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Change Order #004B is for the installation of two additional new panels with forty single pole breakers that will allow for future receptacle installation if necessary. Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to approve Change Order #004B for two additional new panels for the new fairgrounds building project in the amount of \$21,010.00 for Rathman Manning Construction as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Northeast Nebraska Area Agency on Aging received the nomination of Liz French, Cedar Rapids, Nebraska to represent Boone County on the Advisory Board for a three year term. In the twenty-two county service area, the senior center(s) in the county nominate a person to represent them on the Advisory Board. Motion made by Maricle, second by Luettel to appoint Liz French to represent County of Boone, Nebraska for a three year term on the Advisory Board of the Northeast Nebraska Area Agency on Aging. Roll call vote: Yeas: Maricle, Luettel and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.



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The Boone County Ambulance Service submitted an uncollectible ambulance accounts for the Board to review as all methods of collection have been exhausted. The recommendation from the Boone County Ambulance Service liaison is to remove the \$2,230.00 for a July 9, 2018 ambulance service from the EMS Billing Services account for purposes of bookkeeping and turn the account over to the County Attorney to attempt further collection. Motion made by Luettel, second by Rasmussen to turn the July 9, 2018 County Ambulance Service account balance of \$2,230.00 over to the County Attorney for further collection and for the County Attorney to promptly pursue action for collection since the account is for a deceased individual. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Rasmussen and Maricle. Nays: None. Motion carried.

## Public Comments:

- Rod Nelson, Maintenance, updated the Board regarding a courthouse maintenance job description.
- Denny Johnson, Sheriff, updated the Board in regard to the installation of a Nebraska Statewide Radio System (SRS) on the new County Communications Tower.
- Denny Johnson, Sheriff, updated the Board in regard to the Boone County and Nance County 911 Communications merger project.

Chairman Luettel declared the meeting adjourned at 11:55 A.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Monday, December 31, 2018.

Kathy Thorberg,  
Boone County Clerk