

Boone County Board Minutes



BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS FEBRUARY 11, 2019 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, February 11, 2019, in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Courthouse in Albion, Nebraska.

Chairman Rasmussen called the meeting to order and Commissioners present for roll call were Larry Temme, Ben Rutten and Alan Rasmussen. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and the convened meeting was open to the public. Chairman Rasmussen acknowledged the agenda and noted that the Open Meeting Laws are posted and available to the public.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Accounts Payable Vendor Claims filed for payment. The Board reviewed a claim submitted by Vendor ID No. 24 for advertisement reimbursement from the Visitor's Promotion Fund. The initial advertised event date of December 1, 2018 was re-scheduled to December 29, 2018 due to inclement weather. Motion made by Rasmussen, second by Rutten to reject reimbursement of \$329.05 for the December 1, 2018 advertisement reimbursement request as the county guidelines and state statute do not provide advertisement reimbursement for cancelled events and approve reimbursement of \$173.20 for the December 29, 2018 re-scheduled event advertisement reimbursement request. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rasmussen, Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to approve the Accounts Payable Vendor Claims filed for payment from the various funds: General - \$32,304.32; Road/Weed - \$88,083.89; Boone County Visitor's Promotion - \$973.20; 911 Emergency Management (2910) - \$408.41; 911 Wireless Service (2913) - \$513.83; Fair Building (4025) - \$838,063.37; Ambulance - \$2,387.19. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme, Rutten and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

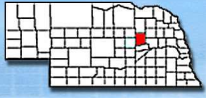
Motion made by Rasmussen, second by Temme to approve the County Board Proceedings of January 28, 2019 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rasmussen, Temme and Rutten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Rutten, second by Rasmussen to approve the County Board of Equalization Public Hearing Proceedings of January 28, 2019 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten, Rasmussen and Temme. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Rasmussen, second by Rutten to approve the following reports of the County Officials as presented for January, 2019:

- Clerk - \$21,707.25 (State of Nebraska \$15,263.94)(County of Boone \$6,443.31)
- Clerk of the District Court - \$875.04 (State of Nebraska \$380.00)(County of Boone \$495.04)
- Sheriff - \$2,314.34
- Planning & Zoning - \$264.50
- Treasurer – Misc. Receipt Nos. 16809-16864 - \$1,495,334.18; Total Collections - \$2,572,816.95

Roll call vote: Yeas: Rasmussen, Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Motion carried.



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The Board received Payment Application No. 4 from Rathman Manning Construction for the fairgrounds building. The payment request is for a portion of the mobilization requirements, concrete footings, structural steel framing material stored onsite, and excavation work. Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to approve payment number four from Rathman Manning Construction for \$838,063.37 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme, Rutten 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 three requests to review for advertisement funding.

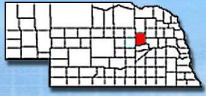
The Boone County Home, Farm & Garden Show, Inc. requested assistance to advertise the Boone County Home, Farm, Garden Show event scheduled for March 22 and 23, 2019. Discussion regarding the application was that approvals have been for organizations such as community clubs, church groups, fire departments, etc. that are for non-profit. The record research did not show an organized Boone County Home, Farm & Garden Show, Inc. or with a non-profit status. The record research shows Boone County Home, Farm and Garden Show, LLC, a domestic LLC. The consensus of the Board was to deny the request to keep consistency with the prior approval/denials of applications. Motion made by Rasmussen, second by Temme to deny the application requesting funding assistance for advertisement from the Visitor's Promotion Fund as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rasmussen, Temme and Rutten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Petersburg Volunteer Fire Department requested assistance to advertise the Petersburg Fire Cruise & Dance fundraiser event scheduled for June 8, 2019. Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to approve the application requesting funding assistance for advertisement from the Visitor's Promotion Fund as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme, Rutten and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Boone County Agricultural Society, Inc. requested assistance to advertise the Boone County Fair Concert of Randy Houser and Jackson Michelson scheduled for July 6, 2019. Motion made by Rasmussen, second by Temme to approve the application requesting funding assistance for advertisement from the Visitor's Promotion Fund as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rasmussen, Temme and Rutten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Boone County Ambulance Service submitted 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 \$2,340.00 for March 3, 2018 and the \$2,265.00 for March 23, 2018 Ambulance services 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 Rasmussen, second by Rutten to turn the March 3 and 23, 2018 County Ambulance Service accounts balance total of \$4,605.00 over to the County Attorney for further collection. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rasmussen, Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Clerk of the District Court submitted a copy of additional pledged security (collateral) for the respective office. Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to acknowledge and approve the pledged security (collateral) as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten, Temme and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.



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An annual Weed Superintendent report is due each year and is submitted to Nebraska Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Protection. The Boone County Weed Board is the same members as the Boone County Board of Commissioners. The Board reviewed the County Noxious Weed Control Plan for 2019 that was prepared by Jack Nordeen, Boone County Weed Superintendent. Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to approve and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the Noxious Weed Control Plan for 2019 report as presented. Roll call vote: Temme, Rutten and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

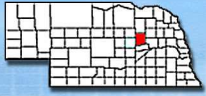
The Board reviewed the appointment request of a representative to the East Central Region Governance Board. Boone County is a member of the East Central Planning, Exercise, Training (PET) and Interoperable Communications Region established by the State of Nebraska. Motion made by Rutten, second by Rasmussen to hereby appoint Denise Ziemba, Region 44 Emergency Manager, as the Boone County representative to the Governing Regional Committee that makes up the East Central PET & Interoperable Communications Region to fulfill all duties as required by the group retroactive and effective September 1, 2018. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten, Rasmussen and Temme. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Denny Johnson, County Sheriff, presented quotes for a bullet resistant transition window for the law enforcement building. The Board and Johnson discussed the window sizes, bullet resistant level and bullet proof drywall. Johnson plans to research bullet proof drywall and submit quotes at a future meeting. The quotes submitted for Insulgard Security Windows Model ATV and SVT ranged from \$5,137.00 to \$8,822.00 being dependent upon size and bullet proof level rating. A Bullet Resisting Transaction Window includes a voice rail and stainless steel tray to slide paperwork through that replaces the current open area in the window. Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to approve the request and authorize Denny Johnson, County Sheriff, to order a Model ATV 29"x40" Bullet Resisting Transaction Window Level 2 for \$5,499.00 from Binswanger Glass, Norfolk, Nebraska for the County Law Enforcement Building. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme, Rutten 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 with no action taken by the Board:

- The Highway Superintendent informed the Board that she has not traveled to Norfolk, NE to date to look at the truck/pup trailer that the County plans to purchase to replace the 1991 truck/pup trailer for County Road District #1, Cedar Rapids.
- The bridges crossing the Cedar River are being watched closely due to ice jam.
- The Highway Superintendent updated the Board in regard to some driveways that appear to have been installed without approval from the County Highway Superintendent.
- The Highway Superintendent plans to contact Seier's On-site Service, LLC to see if there is any interest in providing a quote to lower the newly installed heating system and/or ceiling at the shop building for County Road District #1, Cedar Rapids.
- The Board plans to address the road employees' overtime concerns in writing.

Stacey Ziemba, County Highway Superintendent, and the Board discussed possibly purchasing a trailer for hauling pipe and a bobcat skid loader for County Road District #2, Albion. The discussion included different types of trailers and area vendors to contact for quotes. The Board asked the Highway Superintendent to obtain quotes to be reviewed before a decision is made.



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The new propane heating system installed in October of 2018 in the shop building for County Road District #1, Cedar Rapids continues to use a large volume of propane per day with an average of 55 degrees inside the building. The Board and Highway Superintendent reviewed an estimate for a supplemental heater for the road shop building. Motion made by Rutten, second by Rasmussen to approve the estimate of \$3,150.66 for the purchase and installation of a Modine 150,000 BTU propane forced air supplemental heater from Seier's On-site Service, LLC of Albion. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten, Rasmussen and Temme. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Boone County Joint Planning Commission would like to have the Boone County Board of Commissioners join their February meeting to discuss County Zoning regulations and issues. Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to advertise for a public meeting in conjunction with the Boone County Joint Planning Commission Board meeting regarding a discussion of County Zoning regulations and issues on Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 7:30 P.M. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme, Rutten and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mary Ziemba, County Zoning Administrator, informed the Board that Keith Marvin, Consultant, would not be giving his presentation today regarding an upgrade to the Boone County Zoning Comprehensive Plan, due to the adverse road conditions.

Public Comments:

- Meetings: Region 44 Emergency Management Committee – February 12, 2019; Boone County Joint Planning Commission meeting with the Board of Commissioners – January 26, 2019.
- Mary Ziemba, Boone County Zoning Administrator, submitted the Board a written report of zoning activities.
- Commissioner Rutten updated the Board regarding the Boone County Health Center meeting.
- The Board acknowledged receiving an inquiry regarding possibly submitting quotes for County insurance. The commitment by resolution to NIRMA and NIRMA II Insurance program is from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.
- Commissioner Temme updated the Board regarding the Boone Beginnings informational meeting held on February 5, 2019.
- Commissioner Temme updated the Board regarding a meeting on February 13, 2019 with a group of individuals discussing the funding of flooring, furnishings and bond payments for the new building at the fairgrounds through grants, fundraisers and the pledges.

Chairman Rasmussen declared the meeting adjourned at 12:41 P.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 19, 2019.

Kathy Thorberg,
Boone County Clerk