



Boone County Board Minutes



BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
JANUARY 21, 2020 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Courthouse in Albion, Nebraska.

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

Randall Bruland, County Ambulance Administrator, updated the Board in regard to the mileage on the 2016 County Ambulance unit. Bruland informed the Board that in the past years when the mileage on the unit is close to 50,000 they have started to look for a new unit. Bruland informed the Board that after advertising for quotes and approving a quote for a new Ambulance, it is approximately nine months for delivery of a new unit from the time it is ordered to delivery. Bruland said that there is interest from an area fire and rescue squad that may possibly want to purchase the 2016 County Ambulance unit if the County decides to replace the present Ambulance. No decision was made at the Board meeting.

Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to approve the County Board Proceedings of January 13, 2020 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to approve the County Board Public Hearing Proceedings of January 13, 2020 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. 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 two requests for advertisement funding.

The Faith Lutheran Church of St. Edward requested assistance to advertise the Steak & Burger Feed fundraiser event scheduled for February 29, 2020. Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to approve the application requesting funding assistance for advertisement of the Steak & Burger Feed fundraiser event from the Visitor's Promotion Fund as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

The Boone County Home, Farm & Garden Show, Inc. requested assistance to advertise the Boone County Home, Farm, Garden Show event scheduled for March 28, 2020. Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to approve the application requesting funding assistance for advertisement of the Boone County Home, Farm, Garden Show event from the Visitor's Promotion Fund as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a written resignation from a full-time County Sheriff's office employee. Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to accept and approve the resignation of Carolyn Beckman effective January 21, 2020 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.



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The Board held a meeting with the Elected Officials/Department Heads:

- Vice Chairman Temme asked all present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- County officials/department heads (County Court, Highway Superintendent, Maintenance, Sheriff, and Zoning) reported on activities with regard to their respective office.
- Wellness Partners Health Fair for employees is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10, 2020.
- The Northeast District NACO spring workshop is scheduled for Friday, March 20, 2020 in Norfolk.

The Board, John Morgan, County Attorney and Chuck Rolf, Boone County Agricultural Society, Inc. discussed a proposed Lease Agreement in regard to the County owned property known as the Boone County Fairgrounds. Some of the items discussed were:

- Rolf requested that the survey of the fairgrounds property and an aerial photo of the fairgrounds showing the buildings with the buildings being identified on the aerial photo to be included with the Lease Agreement. Also, suggested that each building on the fairgrounds be identified with signage.
- Rolf asked if the County would provide a road/base to the new building and the aggregate for parking around the new Boone County Agricultural Education Center building.
- Rolf asked if the Agricultural Society would be able to use some of the leased County cropland property south of the fairgrounds property to park on when needed. Not for parking in 2020, due to the present County cropland lease does not expire until December 31, 2020.
- Agricultural Society would like to see the ownership of the building contents addressed in the Lease Agreement.
- Agricultural Society proposed the County pay for the electricity metered for the new Boone County Agricultural Education Center building.
- Agricultural Society would then pay for all other utilities associated with the Boone County Agricultural Education Center building and all utilities for the fairgrounds leased property and improvements.

The County Highway Superintendent submitted two quotes for a new snow v-plow for a County Road Department pickup. The v-plow would be installed on the 1999 Ford pickup that is used at times as the County Weed Department vehicle. The quotes received: Central Hydraulic Systems & Equipment Co. of Kearney, NE - \$7,160.25 and Ken's Trailer Sales & Repair of Norfolk, NE - \$6,800.00. Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to approve the County Road Department purchase of a v-plow to be installed on a 1999 Ford pickup for approximately \$6,800.00 from Ken's Trailer Sales & Repair of Norfolk, NE. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

The County Highway Superintendent submitted a bid for a drag carrier for the County Road Department. The drag carrier would be mounted on the new motor grader located at the Petersburg shop with brackets to accommodate snow wing so it can be left on year around. In accordance with state statute, the Board would like to review at least three informal bids due to the purchase of the drag carrier appears to be greater than \$10,000.00. Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to table the purchase of a drag carrier to a later date in order to receive additional bids. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

The County Highway Superintendent, updated the Board regarding road equipment repair/replacement, road/bridge maintenance, materials and projects.



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The County Highway Superintendent submitted a Non-Exclusive Contract For Services for the Board to review. A Non-Exclusive Contract For Services is by and between the County of Boone, Nebraska and truck drivers with a Nebraska Class “A” Commercial driver’s license for back-haul services of aggregate from quarries to the county stockpiles. The insurance requirement, Class “A” Commercial driver’s license, communication with the County Highway Superintendent and compensation of \$7.00 per ton for road gravel and \$11.00 per ton for other aggregate, will remain the same as the past year contractual services for calendar year 2020. Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to approve the back-haul of aggregate from quarries to the county stockpiles “Non-Exclusive Contract For Services” with approved truck drivers as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

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.

Public Comments:

- Meetings: LEPC – January 21, 2020; East-Central District Health Department – January 23, 2020; Boone County Planning Commission - January 27, 2020; Boone County Health Center – January 28, 2020.
- Commissioner Rutten updated the Board regarding the Boone County Trails System committee meeting.
- Commissioner Temme updated the Board regarding the BCDA, Inc. meeting.
- Commissioner Temme updated the Board regarding the Boone County Agricultural Society, Inc. meeting.
- Commissioner Temme update the Board regarding the Northeast Nebraska Area Agency on Aging committee meeting.
- The Board acknowledged receiving the annual evaluation of the Boone County Jail conducted by Chris Harrifield, Criminal Justice Field Representative for the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice, to determine compliance with the Nebraska Minimum Jail Standards. The facility was determined to be in full compliance.
- The Board acknowledged receiving correspondence from Center for Rural Affairs in regard to fact sheets and information guide for wind energy.

Vice Chairman Temme declared the meeting adjourned at 12:40 P.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Monday, January 27, 2020.

Kathy Thorberg,
Boone County Clerk