



# Boone County Board Minutes



## BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS MARCH 25, 2020 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, March 25, 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 Ben Rutten and Larry Temme. 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.

The Board reviewed the County Payroll Claims filed for the pay period of February 22, 2020 through March 21, 2020. Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to approve the County Payroll Claims filed for payment from the various funds: General \$92,976.36, BCBS \$50,486.32, Ameritas Ret \$6,406.15, EFTPS \$6,926.26, LTD Premiums \$2.27, Section 125 Fees \$10.00, Wellness Program \$125.60; Road \$58,974.03, BCBS \$31,578.68, Ameritas Ret \$3,980.76, EFTPS \$4,447.38; Ambulance \$3,742.44, Ameritas Ret \$104.95, EFTPS \$286.27; and Public Defender Contract \$3,358.21. 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 Proceedings of March 16, 2020 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

Laurie Krohn, County Treasurer, submitted a request for approval to pay the second bond interest payment for the new fairgrounds building Limited Tax County Building Bonds, Series 2018. Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to approve and authorize Laurie Krohn, County Treasurer, to pay the second bond interest amount of \$25,540.00 to Chase NYC for the new fairgrounds building Limited Tax County Building Bonds, Series 2018 as requested. 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. In addition, the following topic was discussed:

- County Highway Superintendent presented a proposal from Mid-State Engineering & Testing, Inc. of Columbus, Nebraska to provide an engineering study to evaluate existing roadway conditions and provide pavement and subgrade pavement recommendation's (for areas of total reconstruction) for locations around Albion, Nebraska: Country Club Road-between Highway 91 and 260<sup>th</sup> Street; Fairgrounds Road-between Highway 91 and 260<sup>th</sup> Street; 260<sup>th</sup> Street-between Country Club Road and 11<sup>th</sup> Street; 265<sup>th</sup> Street-between Highway Spur 6A and 6<sup>th</sup> Street; 255<sup>th</sup> Avenue-between Highway 91 and approximately 4 miles north of 250<sup>th</sup> Street; and 220<sup>th</sup> Avenue-between Highway 14 and Mill Road (1.25miles). Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to approve the engineering study for six pavement and subgrade pavement of County roadways for an estimated total cost of \$5,520.00 and not to exceed \$6,070.00 from Mid-State Engineering & Testing, Inc. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.



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The County Highway Superintendent prepared a Non-Exclusive Contract For Services for each of the interested truckers to back-haul aggregate for the County. The contracts are for the year 2020 with the contractor compensation being \$7.00 per ton for road gravel and \$11.00 per ton for other aggregate. The interested truckers needed to attach a copy of the truck driver's CDL and Certificate of Liability Insurance coverage to the contract. In addition, the back-hauler is to contact the County Highway Superintendent before any load is accepted by Boone County. The Board reviewed the Non-Exclusive Contract for Services submitted by Allen Primrose/PPK Two Transportation, LLC. Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to authorize the Board Vice Chairman to sign the Non-Exclusive Contract For Services as accepted and approved by the County Highway Superintendent. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

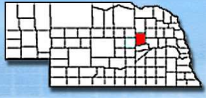
The County Highway Superintendent and Board, discussed a Non-Exclusive Contract For Services prepared and filed for hauling services of aggregate from quarries to the county stockpiles by a full-time County employee. The Board and Highway Superintendent discussed the fact that there are two full-time County Road employees at each of the three County Road Districts that are hauling aggregate from quarries to the county stockpiles and the County has approved and signed eight Non-exclusive Contract For Services with area truck drivers to backhaul aggregate from quarries to the county stockpiles for the year 2020. The consensus of the Board in regard to the County full-time employee request is that there is no need for aggregate to be hauled by County employees outside of work hours at this time.

On March 9, 2020 the Board, County Highway Superintendent, and Brian McDonald, JEO Consulting Group, Inc. reviewed bids for two Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) bridge projects. The Board accepted and recommended approval of the Theisen Construction, Inc. of Norfolk, NE bids dependent upon full review of the construction cost bids by Brian McDonald, JEO Engineer. JEO Consulting Group, Inc. submitted the Notice to Proceed and Agreement documents for the Board to review and approve for the two FEMA bridge repair projects that are a result of the 2019 flooding.

Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to approve and authorize the Board Vice Chairman to sign the Notice to Proceed and Agreement documents between Boone County, Nebraska and Theisen Construction, Inc. for the Cedar Rapids Northwest Bridge 6(00715) project for \$352,821.48 as submitted. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to approve and authorize the Board Vice Chairman to sign the Notice to Proceed and Agreement documents between Boone County, Nebraska and Theisen Construction, Inc. for the St. Edward South Bridge 6(05015P) project for \$98,494.60 as submitted. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

The Board and County Highway Superintendent discussed parts of the proposed County Safety Manual, Chapter 10-Personal Protective Equipment and Chapter 14-Vehicles and Equipment in regard to the County Road Department. Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to remove safety-toe work boots/shoes provided by county on page 10.1 (A); remove two footwear requirement sentences on page 10.6 (I); change word "required" to "recommended" on page 10.5 (I); add that the County may reimburse up to and not to exceed \$100.00 every two years for quality safety-toe footwear on page 10.5 (I); and addressed Commercial Driver's License requirements on page 14.3 (A). Roll call vote: Yeas Temme and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.



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The County of Boone and the City of Albion Police Department has had an Interlocal Agreement for several years with regard to a one-mile radius jurisdiction of the city limits of the City of Albion. It is a joint jurisdiction of the two law enforcement agencies for the one-mile radius outside the City of Albion. This agreement is reviewed on an annual basis. Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to approve and authorize the Board Vice Chairman to sign Resolution No. 2020-10 an Interlocal Agreement between the County of Boone and City of Albion for law enforcement purposes commencing on April 1, 2020 as submitted. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

Chuck Rolf, Boone County Agricultural Society, Inc. representative, submitted four applications to the Board for permission for Special Designated License(s) (SDL) to serve alcohol at the Boone County Fair for July 11, 13, 14 and 15, 2020. The four application's event times are from 4:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on each respective day. Rolf informed the Board that the SDL requests are for the grandstand area and includes an additional fenced off area in front of grandstand. He also indicated that individual security people had been hired in addition to law enforcement coverage provided by the Boone County Sheriff's Department and that ID's will be checked and arm bands issued at the point of purchase. Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to approve and authorize the Board Vice Chairman to sign, as presented, the Application for a Special Designated Liquor License requests from the Boone County Agricultural Society, Inc. for the 2020 Boone County Fair dates of July 11, 13, 14, and 15, 2020. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

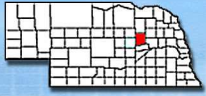
The Board discussed information and protocol procedures received from East-Central District Health Department (ECDHD); Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO); and the County insurance group Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association (NIRMA) with Kathy Thorberg, Clerk; Laurie Krohn, Treasurer; Rod Nelson, Maintenance; Mary Ziemba, Zoning; Stacey Ziemba, Highway Superintendent; Lisa Langan, County Court Magistrate; and Steve Pritchard, UNL Extension. Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten approving a Press Release; signage information on doors and locking of the outside doors of the Courthouse Building until further notice with customers by appointment only; website links posted on the Boone County website to receive updated information regarding the Coronavirus and an information letter shared with County Officials and department heads. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Rasmussen. Motion carried.

## Public Comments:

- Jim Lightner, St. Edward, provided history to the Board of the approved FEMA St. Edward Southwest C000605015P Bridge project. Lightner informed the Board that this is at least the fourth time the Bridge has been washed out and repaired since 1950. Lightner suggested not spending the funds again to repair the bridge and find an alternate route to the City of St. Edward lagoons.
- Chuck Rolf, Ag Society, updated the Board on the new fairgrounds building project.
- Denny Johnson, Sheriff, updated the Board regarding Law Enforcement protocol procedures in regard to the Coronavirus.
- Vice Chairman Temme updated the Board regarding the Disaster Declaration he signed on March 19, 2020 to declare a state of emergency on behalf of Boone County due to Coronavirus as provided by Denise Ziemba, Region 44 Emergency Manager.

Vice Chairman Temme declared the meeting adjourned at 12:41 P.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2020.

Kathy Thorberg,



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Boone County Clerk