

Butler County Board Minutes



BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

October 4, 2021

A meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Nebraska was held on the 4th day of October, 2021 at the Butler County Courthouse Supervisors Meeting Room in David City, Nebraska at 9:00 a.m.

Present were the following: Anthony Whitmore, Tony Krafska, Scot Bauer, David Mach, Jan Sypal, Robert Coufal, and Ryan Svoboda.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof, by Publication, a designated method for giving notice, as shown by the Proof of Publication attached to the minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to all members of the Board and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to all members of the board of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and announced that a complete copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room.

The Chairman declared the minutes from the previous meeting shall stand approved as presented.

Monthly Sheriff Report

Alexis Buresh, Sheriff's Office manager presented the Monthly Sheriff Report for September 2021; the report was accepted and placed on file.

County Clerk Monthly Fee Report

The County Clerk fee report for the month of September 2021 was accepted and placed on file.

Clerk of the District Court Monthly Fee Report

The Clerk of the District Court fee report for the month of September 2021 was accepted and placed on file.

Human Resources Update

Heidi Loges, Human Resources Director, reported before the board that she still does not have prices or dates for the county flu shots. She stated that she is still in contact with the one public defender that applied for the position and that she still has it posted hoping to see additional applicants. She told the board that the handbook committee met and discussed changes and she is working to update the handbook. Lastly, she notified the board that Leon Piitz retired from the Roads Department at the end of September.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION (SEE SEPARATE MINUTES)

Moved by Mach and seconded by Bauer to move into the Board of Equalization at 9:05 a.m. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Mach, Bauer, Krafska, Svoboda, Coufal, Sypal, and Whitmore. The following voted nay: NONE. Motion carried.

Moved by Bauer and seconded by Sypal to exit the Board of Equalization at 9:10 a.m. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Bauer, Mach, Sypal, Coufal, Svoboda, Krafska, and Whitmore. The following voted nay: NONE. Motion carried.

Discussion/Possible Action - reschedule Public Hearings for Abie Rural Fire Protection District #11 and Village of Abie merger & for the public hearing for Bruno Rural Fire Protection District #7 and Village of Bruno merger

Stephanie Laska, County Clerk, informed the board due to a scheduling conflict the Saunders County Board cannot make the originally scheduled October 21 merger meeting; therefore, we need to reschedule. Moved by Mach and seconded by Svoboda to set the public hearings for Bruno Rural Fire Protection District #7 and Village of Bruno merger for



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November 1, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and the Abie Rural Fire Protection District #11 and Village of Abie merger for November 1, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Mach, Sypal, Coufal, Svoboda, Krafka, Bauer, and Whitmore. The following voted nay: NONE. Motion carried.

Approval of Corrective Deeds and Authorization for Board Chairman to sign the same

County Attorney, Julie Reiter, presented before the board two corrective deeds. The deeds were for properties sold by the county in 1998. She was contacted by the title company stating an error was made. Moved by Krafka and seconded by Bauer to approve the corrective deeds and authorize the chairman to sign the deeds. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Krafka, Bauer, Mach, Sypal, Coufal, Svoboda, and Whitmore. The following voted nay: NONE. Motion carried.

Discussion/Possible Action – Sale of Old Highway Department Property

Supervisor Coufal said that it has been all cleaned out. Supervisor Bauer said he worked on a sale listing and would like it reviewed by Reiter. This will be put on the next agenda where the board will hopefully set a date and time for sale.

Approval and Authorization to Sign Drainage Permit Agreement with Bow String Association, Inc.

Reiter informed the board that the permit has finally been signed by Bow String and is ready for signing by the chairman of the Board of Supervisors. Moved by Krafka and seconded by Mach to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the permit as presented. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Krafka, Bauer, Mach, Sypal, Coufal, Svoboda, and Whitmore. The following voted nay: NONE. Motion carried.

Approval of Early Payroll for Termed Employees

Laska informed the board that two employees have left the county and we need to pay their final claims. Moved by Sypal and seconded by Coufal to pay the claims as presented. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Sypal, Coufal, Svoboda, Krafka, Bauer, Mach, and Whitmore. The following voted nay: NONE. Motion carried.

Discussion

Supervisor Whitmore asked Highway Superintendent, Randy Isham, who is responsible for mowing the ditches on Brainard/Dwight blacktop? Isham stated the landowners are responsible for mowing their ditches on county roads regardless of the surface.

Discussion on trees beside road

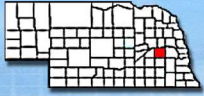
Marion Kobza appeared before the board to discuss trees in the road ditch that need to be removed. The board informed him that it is and always has been the responsibility of the landowner to take care of the ditches.

Discussion/Possible Action on Annual NBCS Forms

Randy Isham, Highway Superintendent, presented before the board the annual Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards report for 2021. Moved by Bauer and seconded by Coufal to accept the report as presented. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Bauer, Mach, Sypal, Coufal, Svoboda, Krafka, and Whitmore. The following voted nay: NONE. Motion carried.

Consideration of Resolution 2021-37/Certificate of Completion

Moved by Mach and seconded by Sypal to approve the resolution as presented. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Mach, Sypal, Coufal, Svoboda, Krafka, Bauer, and Whitmore. The following voted nay: NONE. Motion carried.



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RESOLUTION

SIGNING OF THE COUNTY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE 2021

Resolution No. 2021-37

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2510(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards; and

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification of program compliance by each county shall be signed by the County Board Chairperson and shall include the resolution of the governing body of the county authorizing the signing of the certification.

Be it resolved that the County Board Chairperson of Butler County is hereby authorized to sign the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance.
(Print name of county)

Adopted this 4th day of October, 2021 at David City Nebraska.
(Month)

County Board Members

[Signature]
[Signature]
[Signature]
[Signature]

Dan W. Mach
Scott Bauer
Tommy Kyr

County Board Member Mach
Moved the adoption of said resolution
Member Sypal Seconded the Motion
Roll Call: 7 Yes No Abstained Absent
Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

Attest:
[Signature]
(Signature of Clerk)

Roads Update

Isham updated the board that the roads department was almost done raising the road in Linwood. They will move next to a minimum maintenance road in Franklin Township. They are still working on replacing bridges with culverts. He will be contacting Saunders County regarding the snow removal interlocal agreement for the county road to Prague. Supervisor Sypal informed Isham that she checked into diesel prices, and they are going to continue to rise through the end of the year, they may flatten out at the beginning of the year and possibly go down a bit but no telling how high it's going to get. Isham said he will work on getting prices from their suppliers and discuss at the next meeting.



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Discussion

Laska reminded the board that there is a Board of Equalization meeting on Tuesday, October 12 at 8:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:22 a.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be October 18, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. at the Butler County Courthouse Supervisors Meeting Room.

Stephanie L. Laska
County Clerk

Anthony Whitmore
Chairman