

# Logan County Board Minutes



## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

DATE: January 19, 2022

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

Regular meeting of the County Commissioners of Logan County, Nebraska was held in the Commissioners' Room of the Courthouse in Stapleton, Nebraska. Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in The Stapleton Enterprise in the issue dated January 13, 2022, and posting at least by the third day before the scheduled meeting at the Logan County Courthouse and the Stapleton Post Office and was simultaneously given to the Chairman all members of the County Board. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the notice and in the notice to 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. Agenda posted and open meetings poster is on wall in Commissioners Room.

Meeting was called to order by Robert Doyle

Roll call was answered as follows Robert Doyle, Board Member, Lee Wonch, Board Member, Scott Gaites, Board Member and Debbie Myers, Clerk/Assessor.

Absent: None

Also present were: Dick Gewecke, Co. Treasurer, Colten Venteicher, Co. Attorney, Rich Cook, Highway and Weed Superintendent, Sean Carson, Sheriff, Justin Rahn, Dan Beckius and Nathan Weems.

Motion made by Doyle seconded by Gaites to appoint Wonch Chairman for 2022. Yeas: Doyle and Gaites. Nays: None. Abstain: Wonch.

Motion made by Doyle seconded by Wonch to appoint Gaites, Vice-Chairman for 2022. Yeas: Gaites, Doyle and Wonch. Nays: None.

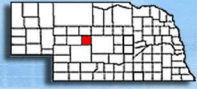
Motion by Doyle seconded by Gaites to approve December 15, 2021 minutes without reading, as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Yeas: Wonch, Gaites and Doyle. Nays: None.

Motion by Gaites seconded by Doyle to approve claims as presented. Yeas: Gaites, Doyle and Wonch Nays: None.

Claims were audited and allowed as follows:

### COUNTY GENERAL

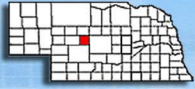
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2,944.29
BATTERYJACK INC	SUPPLIES & MAINTENANCE	2,885.00
BLUE CROSS-BLUE SHIELD	EMPLOYER SHARE	10482.66
BOMGAARS	K9 COSTS	96.97
BRUMMET, JACK	SALARY	1239.10
CARSON, SEAN	SALARY	4038.37
CARSON, SEAN	SALARY	600.00
CIVIL AIR PATROL MAGAZINE	DUES, SUBSCRIPTIONS, REGISTRATIONS	50.00
CONNELL, KATHLEEN M	JANITORIAL CONTRACT	1220.00
COOK, RICHARD	SALARY, PHONE ALLOWANCE	1501.00
COOK, RICHARD	PART TIME SALARY	42.00
COOK, RICHARD	MILEAGE, MEALS & LODGING	77.44
COUNTRY INN & SUITES KEARNEY	LODGING	989.65
COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE	FUEL AND REPAIRS	668.90
CREATIVE PRINTERS	PRINTING & PUBLISHING	276.08
CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	BOARD OF PRISONERS	500.00
DAS STATE ACCTG-CENTRAL FINACE	DATA PROCESSING	168.84
DOYLE, ROBERT	SALARY	1636.93
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES & MAINTENANCE	495.36
FREY'S GENERAL STORE	SUPPLIES & MAINTENANCE	1662.99
GAITES, SCOTT	SALARY	1636.93
GEWECKE, RICHARD	SALARY	4984.42
GILLETT, BLAINE T	COUNTY COURT COSTS	377.20
GWORKS	ELECTION COSTS	280.00
HANSEL, KIRK	PART TIME SALARY	540.00



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HEARTLAND ANIMAL CENTER	K9 COSTS	76.10
JUSTICE DATA SOLUTIONS	DATA PROCESSING	3050.00
KEITH COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS/911	911 SERVICE & TOWER	333.33
LINCOLN CO DETENTION CENTER	BOARD OF PRISONERS	500.00
LINCOLN COUNTY TREASURER	COOPERATIVE EXT 2ND QUARTER	2046.85
LOGAN COUNTY CLERK	SUPPLIES & MAINTENANCE	25.00
MID-STATES ORGANIZED CRIME INFO CEN	DUES, SUBSCRIPTIONS, REGISTRATIONS	100.00
MIPS, INC.	SERVICE	1371.29
MYERS, DEBBIE	SALARY	4038.37
MYERS, DEBBIE	SALARY	425.00
MYERS, DEBBIE	MILEAGE & MEALS	35.10
NE CLERKS.REG OF DEEDS, ELECTION COMM	DUES	75.00
NE WEED CONTROL ASSN	DUES	125.00
NICHOLSON, JENNIFER	SALARY	3029.10
PETTY CASH FUND	TELE, UTILITIES, DUES, SUBSCRIPTIONS & POSTAGE	1733.43
SANDHILLS WEED MANAGEMENT AREA	DUES	200.00
SUNSET LAW ENFORCEMENT	SUPPLIES & MAINTENANCE	984.00
TRANSUNION RISK & ALTERNATIVE	DATA PROCESSING	75.00
TURNBULL, KENT D	COUNTY COURT COSTS	443.60
U. S. BANK	DUES, POSTAGE, TRAINING, SUPPLIES	4081.43
VENTEICHER, COLTEN	SALARY	2000.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	SHERIFF PHONE	255.72
VILLAGE OF STAPLETON	MISC	25.00
WEEMS, AMANDA	SALARY	4107.07
WONCH, CECIL	SALARY	1636.93
WOOD, DALEN	SALARY	5784.81
COMMUNITY FIRST BANK	EMPLOYER SHARE OASI	2713.24
<b>GENERAL ROAD</b>		
BLUE CROSS-BLUE SHIELD	EMPLOYER SHARE	949.81
BUD'S REPAIR	ROAD EQUIPMENT REPAIR	103.20
CARSON, SEAN	PART TIME SALARY	656.00
COOK, RICHARD	SALARY	1170.00
COUNTRY INN & SUITES KEARNEY	LODGING	115.26
COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE	FUEL AND REPAIRS	1318.42
CROELL INC	GRAVEL & BORROW	1752.77
EASTSIDE SERVICE	FUEL AND REPAIRS	1441.64
FALING, GARY	SALARY	3400.00
FREY'S GENERAL STORE	SHOP SUPPLIES	215.22
GB AUTO SERVICE INC	MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT	423.91
JVIDEN, KENNETH	PART TIME SALARY	1528.00
LEACH, SCOTT	SALARY	4366.81
MYERS, LARRY	SALARY	2828.31
NE ASSN OF CO ENGIN & HWY SUPER	DUES	50.00
NMC	SHOP SUPPLIES	50.36
PAULSEN	GRAVEL & BORROW	2554.60
PETTY CASH FUND	TELE. AND UTILITIES & SUPPLIES	327.76
POWERPLAN	EQUIPMENT REPAIR	16486.39
TRAFFIC SIGN CORP	SIGNS & POSTS	2249.93



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COMMUNITY FIRST BANK	EMPLOYER SHARE OASI	1050.75
<b>COUNTY LIBRARY</b>		
BIBLE SUPPLIES	BOOKS	32.40
CREATIVE PRINTERS	PRINTING & PUBLISHING	15.00
PETTY CASH FUND	TELEPHONE SERVICE	73.21
REGIER, KELLY	PART TIME SALARY	20.00
TRIMBLE, KATHRYN	SALARY	715.00
TRIMBLE, KATHRYN	MISC SUPPLIES	13.73
U. S. BANK	BOOKS	36.35
COMMUNITY FIRST BANK	EMPLOYER SHARE OASI	56.23
<b>911 SURCHARGE</b>		
PETTY CASH FUND	TELEPHONE SERVICE	62.96
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>122,728.52</b>

Justin Rahn addressed the board to discuss access to land that he is building a residence.

Dan Beckius, Village of Stapleton and Nathan Weems, owner of parcels 570000823 & 570000645 approached the board requesting the County to look into the back taxes on these two properties which were foreclosed on by the Village Board for the liens of the Village. County Attorney will look into the matter.

Colten Venteicher, County Attorney discussed with the board on uses for the ARPA Funds received by the County. He will do some more research and will discuss the different options at the next board meeting.

Rich Cook presented the Annual 2021 Weed Report. Motion by Doyle seconded by Gaites to approve the 2021 Annual Weed Report as presented. Yeas: Doyle, Wonch and Gaites. Nays: None.

Rich, Cook presented the Highway Superintendent report and Colten Venteicher gave a County Attorney Report.

Motion by Doyle seconded by Gaites to accept Steele Roofing Estimate for the hail damage on the County Shop for \$32,500. Yeas: Gaites Doyle and Wonch. Nays: None.

The Policy on Cooperation in Volunteer Emergency Services was tabled until February meeting.

The 2021 annual salary for County Clerk, County Treasurer and County Sheriff is set at \$48,460 and County Commissioners \$8,245.

Rates and salaries for the appointed officers are to be set as follows:

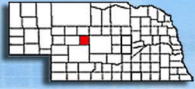
Motion by Gaites seconded by Doyle to set minimum wage \$16.00 per hour for occasional employment for equipment operators, Emergency Manager \$15.00 per hour, Highway Superintendent \$15.00 per hour, Noxious Weed for \$15.00 and County Surveyor at \$1.00 per annum. Rates for machine hire and operator \$200.00 per hour, rates for copies .25 per copy, emailed copies \$1.00 per copy and faxed copies will be \$2.50 for first page and \$1.00 for each additional page. Mileage rates are set by the State .585 cents per mile. Yeas: Doyle, Wonch and Gaites. Nays: None.

Motion by Doyle seconded by Gaites to set the following appointments:

Petty Cash Officer – Dick Gewecke  
 Noxious Weed Superintendent – Richard Cook  
 Highway Superintendent – Richard Cook  
 County Surveyor – Bonnita Edwards  
 Emergency Manager – Sean Carson  
 County Physician- Dr. Loper  
 County Health Board-Dr. Loper, County Physician, Sean Carson, Sheriff and Debbie Myers, County Clerk  
 Yeas: Wonch, Gaites and Doyle. Nays: None.

Motion by Gaites seconded by Doyle to make the following appointments for 2022:

Cecil Wonch as Region II Human Services Governing Board Member and the West Central District on Aging Board, Cecil Wonch Board Member and Scott Gaites Alternate to the Lexington Landfill Board. Yeas: Wonch, Gaites and Doyle. Nays: None. Motion by Doyle seconded by Wonch to appoint Scott Gaites to the West Central Health Department Board for one year, Yeas: Wonch,



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Gaites and Doyle. Nays: None. Motion by Gaites seconded by Wonch to appoint Robert Doyle to the RC&D Board as the County Commissioner Member and Kenneth Kramer as the County Member. Yeas: Gaites, Wonch and Doyle. Nays: None.

Budget Authority was tabled until February meeting.

Motion by Gaites seconded by Doyle to approve the County Attorney agreement for 2022. Yeas: Doyle, Gaites and Wonch. Nays: None.

Annual signature report was signed by all the County Officials and their Deputies.

Motion by Doyle seconded Gaites to designate The Stapleton Enterprise as the official newspaper of Logan County and the Logan County Website as the official website of Logan County. Yeas: Gaites, Doyle and Wonch. Nays: None.

Motion by Gaites seconded by Doyle to set the date for the regular meeting of Logan County to be the third Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. Yeas: Wonch, Doyle and Gaites. Nays: None.

Motion by Doyle seconded by Gaites to designate the Courthouse, Post Office, Frey's General Store, Kimber's, Stapleton Cooperative Market, The Feed Bunk, Creative Printers and the Logan County Website as possible places to post notice of a meeting when it is necessary to hold an emergency meeting without reasonable notice. Yeas: Doyle, Gaites and Wonch. Nays: None.

Motion by Gaites seconded by Doyle to designate the Logan County Website as the official website of Logan County. Yeas: Wonch, Gaites and Doyle. Nays: None.

Motion by Gaites seconded by Doyle to sign and approve the Memorandum of Understanding between The Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs and Logan County. Yeas: Gaites, Doyle and Wonch. Nays: None.

Dick Gewecke, Logan County Treasurer made semi-annual settlement with the County Board and filed a statement showing the amount of money on hand belonging to the various funds. The County Board examined such settlement and found same to be correct and hereby entered and order to that effect. Motion by Gaites seconded by Doyle to approve the semi-annual statement. Yeas: Wonch, Doyle and Gaites. Nays: None.

Motion by Doyle seconded by Gaites to set hearing date for the one-and six-year road plan for February 16, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. Yeas: Gaites, Doyle and Wonch. Nays: None.

Road men wages were discussed. Motion by Gaites seconded Doyle to raise the road maintenance men from \$17.00 per hour to \$18.00 per hour. Yeas: Wonch, Gaites and Doyle. Nays: None.

The Commissioner Districts were discussed. The board discussed the idea of eliminating the Commissioner Districts and having the Commissioners elected at large. If they voted to do this it would be put to the vote of the people on the November election. The matter was tabled until later date, so the commissioners could look into it more.

The Planning Commissioner represented by Debbie Myers; Zoning Administrator made a request by the planning board to make an addendum to the Comprehensive Plan by adding Resolution # 21-7 that was passed by the Commissioners in May 2021 opposing the 30 x 30 proposal. Motion by Gaites seconded by Doyle to add Resolution #21-7 to the Comprehensive Plan of the Logan County Zoning. Yeas: Wonch, Doyle and Gaites. Nays: None.

The Logan County Library is going to paint and get new furnishings for the County Library and they wanted the Commissioners to look at the north wall and damage on the wall around the new windows.

No further business meeting adjourned to meet February 16, 2022

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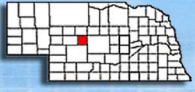
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Chairman

Attest:

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Logan County Clerk, Debbie Myers (SEAL)



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