

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

DATE: JANUARY 15, 2025 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 9, 2025 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 Lee Wonch

Roll call was answered as follows Lee Wonch, Board Member, Nathan Kramer, Board Member, Jon Hill, Board Member and Debbie Myers, Clerk/Assessor.

Absent: None

Also, present were: Andrew Van Velson, Co. Attorney, Dick Gewecke, Co. Treasurer, Rich Cook, Highway and Weed Superintendent and Sean Carson, Sheriff and Emergency Manager.

Motion by Kramer seconded by Hill to appoint Lee Wonch Chairman for 2025. Yeas: Kramer, Hill and Wonch. Nays: None. Chairman Wonch took over meeting

Motion by Hill seconded by Wonch to appoint Nathan Kramer Vice Chairman for 2025. Yeas: Hill, Wonch and Kramer. Nays: None.

Motion by Kramer seconded by Hill to approve December 17, 2024 minutes without reading, as the Clerk had previously furnished each member with a copy thereof. Yeas: Wonch, Kramer and Hill. Nays: None.

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

Claims were audited and allowed as follows:

COUNTY GENERAL

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	3,342.74
AT&T MOBILITY	TELEPHONE SERVICE	341.20
BLUE CROSS-BLUE SHIELD	EMPLOYER SHARE	8,369.72
BROUILLETE, TROSHYNSKI, KINGSTON ETAL	COUNTY COURT COSTS	250.00
BRUMMET, JACK	PRIOR SERVICE	13.00
CARSON, SEAN	SALARY	4,454.88
CARSON, SEAN	SALARY	640.00
CARSON, SEAN	MILEAGE & MEALS	176.99
COCO, NATHAN	SALARY	1,000.00
COCO, NATHAN	MILEAGE	32.16
COMFORT INN	LODGING	1,499.40
CONNELL, KATHLEEN M	JANITORIAL CONTRACT	1,380.00
COOK, RICHARD	SALARY	1,704.65
COOK, RICHARD	PART TIME SALARY	184.00
COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE	FUEL AND REPAIRS	720.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS	PRINTING & PUBLISHING	310.08
DAN'S PROPANE INC	UTILITIES	930.00
DAS STATE ACCTG-CENTRAL FINACE	DATA PROCESSING	389.00
DEARDOFF, BETHANY	PART TIME SALARY	1,638.75
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	OFFICE SUPPLIES	3,735.29
FREY'S GENERAL STORE LLC	BUILDING & GROUNDS	36.94
GEWECKE, RICHARD	SALARY	5,646.25
HANSEL, KIRK	PART TIME SALARY	188.00
HILL, JON	SALARY	1,953.53
JORGENSON'S LAWN SERVICE LLC	LAWN CARE	586.53
KRAMER, NATHAN	SALARY	1,953.53
LINCOLN COUNTY TREASURER	COOPERATIVE EXTENSION 2ND QUARTER	2,239.73
LINDEMEIER LAW OFFICE	COUNTY COURT COSTS	442.82
MIPS, INC.	SERVICE	1,679.25
MYERS, DEBBIE	SALARY	6,854.92
MYERS, DEBBIE	SALARY	425.00
MYERS, DEBBIE	MILEAGE AND MEALS	215.95
NE CLERKS OF DISTRICT COURT	DUES & SUBSCRIPTION	50.00
NE ASSN OF COUNTY ASSESSORS	DUES & SUBSCRIPTION	100.00
NE ASSN OF COUNT OFFICIALS	REGISTRATION	160.00
NE SHERIFFS' ASSN	DUES & SUBSCRIPTION	235.00
NICHOLSON, JENNIFER	SALARY	2,765.00

PEDERSON LAW OFFICE	COUNTY COURT COSTS	437.50
PETTY CASH FUND	TELE, UTILITIES, DUES, SUBSCRIPTIONS & POSTAGE	1,272.08
SANDHILL WEEE MANAGEMENT	DUES & SUBSCRIPTION	200.00
STAPLETON CO-OP MARKET & DELI	JANITORIAL SUPPLIES	49.09
U. S. BANK	SUPPLIES, SUBSCRIPTIONS AND FUEL	1,347.93
VAN VELSON, ANDREW	SALARY	2,013.03
VAN VELSON, ANDREW	MILEAGE	91.00
WEEMS, AMANDA	SALARY	4,323.15
WONCH, CECIL	SALARY	1,953.53
WONCH, CECIL	MILEAGE	154.10
WOOD, TIFFANY	SALARY	5,823.55
COMMUNITY FIRST BANK	EMPLOYER SHARE OASI	3,237.70
GENERAL ROAD		
BLUE CROSS-BLUE SHIELD	EMPLOYER SHARE	13.03
COOK, RICHARD	SALARY	2,356.00
COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE	FUEL AND SHOP SUPPLIES	2,077.58
CROELL INC	GRAVEL & BORROW	13,746.74
CURTIS, KEVIN	PART TIME SALARY	1,340.00
DAN'S PROPANE INC	PROPANE	736.25
DEARDOFF, BOB	ROAD EQUIPMENT REPAIR	1,883.08
EASTSIDE SERVICE	MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT FUEL	2,550.91
FREY'S GENERAL STORE LLC	ROAD EQUIPMENT REPAIR	176.45
INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO	ROAD EQUIPMENT REPAIR	1,539.21
JIVIDEN, KENNETH	PART TIME SALARY	410.00
KOVANDA, MICHAEL	SALARY	4,521.62
KRAMER, ALAN	SALARY	4,450.65
MYERS, LARRY	SALARY	3,904.65
NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER	ROAD EQUIPMENT REPAIR	1,690.18
PETTY CASH FUND	TELE. AND UTILITIES	663.87
POWERPLAN	ROAD EQUIPMENT REPAIR	9,602.29
COMMUNITY FIRST BANK	EMPLOYER SHARE OASI	1,298.19
COUNTY LIBRARY		
CREATIVE PRINTERS	PRINTING & PUBLISHING	15.00
PETTY CASH FUND	TELEPHONE SERVICE	97.70
RAMIREZ, JULIA	SALARY	759.38
U. S. BANK	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	5.38
COMMUNITY FIRST BANK	EMPLOYER SHARE OASI	58.09
911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		
PETTY CASH FUND	TELEPHONE SERVICE	62.96
		TOTAL 131,506.18

Rich Cook, Highway Superintendent, Sean Carson, Emergency Manager and Sheriff, Andrew Van Velson, Attorney and Richard Gewecke, Treasurer gave monthly reports.

Sheriff requested to buy the 2023 Yamaha Wolverine RMAX4 that he was using from Budke Power Sports on the Law Enforcement Loaner Program which is no longer. The Sheriff's Office received a \$20,000 grant from the Hanich Trust and would need \$4595 more to purchase. Motion by Hill seconded by Kramer to allow the Sheriff to purchase the 2023 Yamaha UTV using \$20,000 out of County General and the \$4595 out of the Stop Diversion Fund. Yeas: Wonch, Hill and Kramer. Nays: None.

The 2025 annual salary for County Clerk, Treasurer and Sheriff were set at \$53,459 and County Commissioners at \$9,095.

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

Motion by Kramer seconded by Hill to set minimum wage \$17.00 per hour for occasional employment for equipment operators, Emergency Manager \$16.00 per hour, Highway Superintendent \$16.00 per hour, Noxious Weed for \$16.00 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 .70 cents per mile. Yeas: Hill, Wonch and Kramer. Nays: None.

Motion by Kramer seconded by Hill to set the following appointments:

Petty Cash Officer – Dick Gewecke
 Noxious Weed Superintendent – Richard Cook
 Highway Superintendent – Richard Cook
 Budget Authority – Caleb Johnson

Emergency Manager – Sean Carson

County Physician- Dr. Loper

County Health Board-Dr. Loper, County Physician, Sean Carson, Sheriff and Debbie Myers, County Clerk.

Cecil Wonch as Region II Human Services Governing Board Member and the West Central District on Aging Board, Cecil Wonch Board Member and Nathan Kramer Alternate to the Lexington Landfill Board, Jon Hill to the West Central Health Department Board for one year, Jon Hill to the RC&D Board as the County Commissioner Member and Richard Cook to the Sandhill Weed Management Board. Yeas: Wonch, Kramer and Hill. Nays: None.

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

Motion by Kramer seconded by Hill 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: Hill, Wonch and Kramer. Nays: None.

Motion by Hill seconded by Kramer 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: Wonch, Kramer and Hill. 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 Hill seconded by Kramer to approve the semi-annual statement. Yeas: Kramer, Hill and Wonch. Nays: None.

Motion by Wonch seconded by Hill to set hearing date for the one-and six-year road plan for February 19th at 9:30 a.m. Yeas: Kramer, Hill and Wonch. Nays: None.

Road men wages were discussed. Motion by Kramer seconded Hill to raise the road maintenance men from \$21.00 per hour to \$22.00 per hour. Yeas: Wonch, Hill and Kramer. Nays: None.

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

Estimate for a water cooler for the Logan County Courthouse was presented by Cloudfire Services at an installed price of \$2986. Motion by Hill seconded by Kramer to accept the estimate made by Cloudfire Services for the water cooler installation at \$2986. Yeas: Kramer, Hill and Wonch. Nays: None.

Motion by Kramer seconded by Hill to amend Logan County Personnel Policy for the Law Enforcement office to read as follows: For purposes of the Sheriff's Department, overtime hours shall be computed at a monthly rate. Each member of the Sheriff's Department shall record their work hours in the same manner as any other employee, but overtime shall not accrue unless more than one hundred sixty (160) hours in a pay period are reached. Such calculation shall be made from the 1st day of the pay period to the last day of the pay period. Each member of the Sheriff's Department is charged with ensuring their timecard does not reflect more than 160 hours in one month, and overtime will not be granted without prior approval from the Logan County Sheriff. Yeas: Kramer, Hill and Wonch. Nays: None.

Motion by Hill seconded by Wonch to appoint Nathan Kramer to the Safety Committee to replace Robert Doyle. Yeas: Kramer, Hill and Wonch. Nays: None

No further business meeting adjourned to meet February 19, 2025.



Chairman

Attest:


Logan County Clerk, Debbie Myers (SEAL)

