



# Deuel County Board Minutes



Deuel County Commissioner Meeting

July 19, 2022

The Deuel County Commissioners met on the above date with the following officials present: Chairperson Steve Fischer, Commissioner Jean Timm, Commissioner William Klingman, County Attorney Jonathan Stellar, County Assessor Michele Bartlett, County Sheriff Scott DeCoste, Sheriff's office administrator Leslie Snell, Sheriff Deputy Jim McCormick, Highway Superintendent Anthony Armer, Roads Superintendent Kelly Kopetzky, Deuel County Treasurer Alicia Adams and Deputy County Clerk Tammy Sherman. The meeting, notice of which was published in the Chappell Register as according to law, was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence. Reference was made to open meeting laws, posted at the entrance of the room. The agenda was approved upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm; Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye. The minutes of the July 5, 2022 meeting were approved upon motion of Commissioner Timm, second Commissioner Klingman; Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Public comment, none.

Safety committee meeting: August 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Fire Extinguisher training. Active shooter training will be scheduled in October.

William Bailey addressed the board regarding renting a couple of pens at the sale barn for his mules. The sale barn is currently leased. County Attorney Stellar will look into the matter and get back to Mr. Bailey.

Beth Ferrill and Peggy Brass from NACO updated the board on the new happenings with the organization. Their new location in Ogallala is moving forward. The location will house representatives from NACO as well as having a conference room for 100 to 200 attendees. The legislative conference will be in Gering in October and the annual conference in December will be in Kearney. Ferrill advised that Inheritance tax may soon be eliminated. The new changes to the open meeting laws will allow zoom meetings as long as no action is taken.

Treasurer Alicia Adams met with the board to present the 6-month report. Upon motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Fischer, the 6-month report was approved. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye.

Assessor Michele Bartlett addressed the board concerning a proposal for the next fly over with Eagle View. Eagle View has better photo quality options available with additional costs. Item tabled until the contract time is closer.

Operations of the highway department were discussed. Highway Supt. Anthony Armer advised the dam on Wheatland was inspected. Only one small rodent hole was found. The dam is not graded due to the lack of construction information. Wheatland Road has been patched. They are still working on getting the transmission repaired on the grader.

Highway Supt. Armer presented Resolution 2002-3: WHEREAS the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 was signed in to law on October 30, 2000, placing new emphasis on state and local mitigation planning for natural hazards and requiring communities to adopt a hazard mitigation action plan to be eligible for pre-disaster and post-disaster federal funding for mitigation purposes; and WHEREAS a Multijurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan was prepared by the South Platte Natural Resources District, with assistance from JEO Consulting Group, Inc. WHEREAS, the purpose of the mitigation plan was to lessen the effects of disasters by increasing the disaster resistance of the counties and participating jurisdictions located within the planning boundary by identifying the hazards that affect Deuel County and prioritize mitigation strategies to reduce potential loss of life and property damage from those hazards, and WHEREAS, FEMA regulations require documentation that the plan has been formally adopted by the governing body of Deuel County in the form of a resolution and further requesting approval of the plan at the Federal Level; and NOW, THEREFORE, the governing body of Deuel County does herewith adopt the most recent and FEMA approved version of



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the South Platte NRD Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update in its entirety; and Passed and Approved this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022; upon motion by Commissioner Fischer, seconded by Commissioner Klingman; Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye.

A discussion was held with the new computer support/cyber security company BYTES. The implementation of the new systems has not gone as well as promised. Several of the offices are not completely converted and are having trouble running programs needed for their departments. BYTES stated that they are having trouble getting the support needed from the state to complete the process. It was made clear that BYTES needs to take action to get the clearance needed to complete the transition within a short time frame.

County Attorney Stellar presented the updated employee handbook with the changes requested for health insurance pay in lieu of; social media/cell phone policy and the effective date of new employee health insurance coverage. A minor change will be made to the declination of health insurance form and the new employee handbooks will be distributed to all employees via department heads.

Sherriff Scott DeCoste reported for the Sheriff’s department. Fees collected for the month of June are in the amount of \$672.11. The report was reviewed and accepted for filing. He advised that the Explorer and the pickup were getting a number of miles on them. He will look into replacing these vehicles in off setting years. The speed trailer in Big Springs reported 25,000 vehicles going through Big Springs between June 20<sup>th</sup> and July 4<sup>th</sup>.

At 10:33 a.m. a motion by Commissioner Fischer, second Commissioner Klingman to go into executive session to discuss a personnel issue: Commissioner Klingman, Commissioner Fischer, Commissioner Timm, County Attorney Stellar, County Assessor Bartlett and Deputy Clerk Sherman; Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye. At 10:47 a.m. a motion by Commissioner Fischer, second Commissioner Klingman to resume regular session with no action taken; Timm aye, Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye.

Warrants in the amount of \$171,631.14 were approved upon motion of Commissioner Fischer, second of Commissioner Timm, (Payroll \$30,443.25 Claims \$141,187.89), Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

## GENERAL

PAYROLL		19425.22
ANNA COLLINS	SERVICES	500.00
AT&T	TELEPHONE	45.35
AT&T MOBILITY	TELEPHONE	313.02
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE	677.67
BYTES MANAGED IT	COMPUTER SERVICES	2776.04
CALVARY SPC I L.L.C.	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	161.59
CAMPBELL DRUG	SERVICES	16.69
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	1207.95
CENTURY LINK COMM	TELEPHONE	113.17
CHAPPELL LUMBER	SUPPLIES	43.46
CHAPPELL REGISTER	PUBLISHING	717.77
CHAPPELL FOOD	SUPPLIES	26.78
CHEYENNE CO SHERIFF	BOARDING	200.00
DAS INTERAGENCY BILLING	SERVICES	154.00
DEUEL CO. COURT FEES	SERVICES	236.00
DP ELECTRONICS	COMPUTER SERVICES	375.00
EAKES	SUPPLIES	552.90



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FIRST CONCORD	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	621.24
GARDEN COUNTY SHERIFF	BOARDING	1550.00
GEHRIG-STITT CHAPEL	TRANSPORT/SERVICES	374.12
HAMILTPM COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	29.00
HANSENS PETROLEUM	FUEL	2005.05
HOMETOWN LEASING	SERVICES	115.67
IDEAL LINEN	SERVICES	36.15
JIM REICHMAN	SERVICES/CELL PHONE	850.00
JONATHAN STELLAR	REIMB POSTAGE	33.04
LAURA NARJES	MILEAGE/EXPENSE	129.44
MARJORIE RADKE	MILEAGE/EXPENSE	117.00
MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	147.25
NE CHILD SUPPORT CENTER	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	125.00
NORFOLK LODGE	LODGING	208.00
NSA/POAN CONFERENCE	EDUCATION	170.00
OPTK NETWORKS	TELEPHONE	300.00
PREMIER AUTO PARTS	REPAIRS	14.38
QUILL	SUPPLIES	87.82
REBECCA SCHOEDER, PHD	SERVICES	1200.00
RON'S CHAPPELL AUTO	REPAIRS	199.58
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE	SERVICES	27637.50
SUNSET LAW ENFORCEMENT	SUPPLIES	520.20
T.T.T.-STATE	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	868.90
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1188.81
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	COUNTY SHARE	1740.50
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1958.28
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T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1870.35
TRANSUNION	SERVICE	75.00
USDA	ANIMAL CONTROL	995.11
VISTABEAM	TELEPHONE	83.90
ZOE GORHAM	INTERN/EXTENTION	429.00
	ROAD & BRIDGE	
PAYROLL		11018.03
BLACK HILL ENERGY	UTILITIES	36.95
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	526.50
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	252.76
CENTURY LINK		
COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	7.34
CHAPPELL LUMBER	REPAIRS	44.36
CHAPPELL SUPER FOODS	SUPPLIES	19.95
DEERE CREDIT INC	SERVICES	38402.15
FIRST CONCORD	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	166.66



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FRENCHMAN VALLEY	FUEL	9850.45
HANSEN'S PETROLEUM	FUEL	14089.01
KELLY KOPETZKY	CELL PHONE	50.00
MOTOR FUELS DIVISION	FUEL TAX REPORT	600.00
NPPD	UTILITIES	40.85
POWERPLAN	SUPPLIES	116.82
PREMIER AUTO PARTS	REPAIRS	279.86
S&W AUTO	REPAIRS	164.94
T.T.L. - STATE	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	483.11
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	675.04
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	COUNTY SHARE	1012.52
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1096.57
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	COUNTY SHARE	1096.57
T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1034.64
<b>LODGING TAX PROMOTION</b>		
ANDERSON SIGN CO	CHAPPELL SIGNS	2395.00
BIG SPRINGS/SP ALUMNI	BANQUET/PROMOTION	2332.94
<b>FAIR</b>		
CHAPPELL SUPER FOODS	BBQ DEPOSIT	3784.20
GL BERG ENTERTAINMENT	ENTERTAINMENT	600.00
<b>911</b>		
CENTURY LINK	UTILITIES	309.76
CCEE-911 EMERGENCY COMM	SERVICES	5916.94
NPPD	UTILITIES	<u>46.04</u>
TOTAL		171631.14

There being no further business, the board adjourned at 11:02 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, upon motion of Commissioner Fischer, second of Commissioner Klingman; Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy Clerk, Tammy Sherman

Board of Equalization

July 19, 2022

The Deuel County Board of Equalization at 8:50 a.m. met on the above date with the following officials present: Commissioners Fischer, Timm and Klingman, County Assessor Bartlett, County Attorney Stellar and Deputy County Clerk Sherman.

The 2022 Protests were heard as follows:



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Protest #1 ID 1027.00, Clinton Koenen, landowner not present. SW/4 SEC 10-14-44. Assessor's recommendation is to change the quality from 4.5 to 4.0 and increase the depreciation from 23% to 30%; total value \$921,455.

Protest #2 ID 430.00, Barry Johnson, landowner not present, Frac NW4NW4 36-13-42. Assessor's recommendation is for no adjustments to the valuation of the property; total value \$234,235.

Protest #3 ID 433.00, Barry Johnson, landowner not present, Frac NW4NW4 36-13-42. Assessor's recommendation is for no adjustments to the valuation of the property; total value \$53,520.

Protest #4 ID 3111.00, Barry Johnson, landowner not present, Lot 9, Block 8, Thompson's Addition to Big Springs. Assessor's recommendation is for no adjustments to the valuation of the property; total value \$19,300.

Protest #5 ID 3112.00, Barry Johnson, landowner not present, Lot 10, Block 8, Thompson's Addition to Big Springs. Assessor's recommendation is for no adjustments to the valuation of the property; total value \$8,745.

Protest #6 ID 2151, Tim Johnson, landowner present, N40' of N2 lots 1&2 Blk 20, Original Town Chappell. Assessor's recommendation is to increase depreciation from 94% to 96.3%, no change in land value; total value \$5775.

Upon motion by Commissioner Timm, seconded by Commission Klingman, the board recessed the Board of Equalization at 9:12 a.m. to reconvene the regular meeting and to consider the Assessor's recommendations; Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

Upon motion by Commissioner Fischer, seconded by Commissioner Timm the Board of Equalization reconvened at 10:11 a.m. Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye, Timm, aye.

Motion by Commissioner Fischer, seconded by Commissioner Timm to accept the recommendations from Assessor Bartlett for protests #1, #2, #4, #5 and #6; Klingman, aye, Timm, aye, Fischer, aye.

Motion by Commissioner Fischer, seconded by Commissioner Klingman to accept the recommendation from Assessor Bartlett for protest #3; Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye, Timm abstain.

There being no further business, the Board of Equalization adjourned to resume the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners at 10:31 a.m. upon motion by Commissioner Timm, second by Commissioner Klingman; Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy Clerk, Tammy Sherman