



Deuel County Board Minutes



Deuel County Commissioner Meeting

December 6, 2022

The Deuel County Commissioners met on the above date with the following present: Chairperson Steve Fischer, Commissioner Jean Timm, Commissioner William Klingman, County Attorney Jon Stellar, County Treasurer Alicia Adams, County Assessor Michele Bartlett, Sheriff's office administrator Leslie Snell, Sheriff Scott DeCoste, Sheriff Deputy Jim McCormick, Highway Superintendent Anthony Armer, Roads Superintendent Kelly Kopetzky, Gene Colwell, 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 November 15, 2022, meeting was approved upon motion of Commissioner Fischer, second Commissioner Klingman; Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Public comment, none.

The Deuel County Court fee report for November was presented for review and filing. Fee totals \$2,973.69. The Deuel County Clerk's office monthly report for November was presented for review and filing. Fee total \$1,589.44.

At 8:33 a.m. a motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm to enter into the Board of Equalization, to hear Form 457 Motor Vehicle Exemptions and tax list corrections. Fisher, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Gene Colwell with Nextera Energy Resources (company providing wind energy to the power grid) addressed the board regarding his company being in Deuel County contacting landowners concerning wind energy studies and land leases. The company is looking to expand into western Nebraska including Deuel County. He explained the Nextera's current sites and how they are working. If the company can contract with landowners in Deuel County and all the studies that need to be done are successful it will be at least 5 years before any type of energy generation will be going. The board sincerely appreciated the information and wished him well with the investigative work into getting wind energy generation to Deuel County.

Lynn Arenson, agent for Medical Air Services Association (MASA-medical transport coverage) called in at 8:55 a.m. to advise the board that MASA is discontinuing the current policy coverage the county is providing for the employees. The new plan offered is \$61 higher annually per employee. Commissioner Fischer thanked Arenson for calling in and that the county would get back to her with the decision. The board reviewed information from Nebraska Association of County Officials concerning their offer to provide MASA-medical transportation coverage. They can provide the same coverage \$10 cheaper, and the billing will be monthly instead of annually. After a short discussion, a motion by Commission Fischer, seconded by Commission Timm to continue the MASA coverage with Nebraska Association of County Officials; Klingman, aye, Timm, aye, Fischer, aye.

Resolution 2022-18; Year-end certification of County Highway Superintendent 2022 authorizing the County Board Chairperson of Deuel County to sign the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form verifying Anthony E. Armer as the Deuel County Highway superintendent for 2022; motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commission Timm to approve the resolution as presented; Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Highway Superintendent Armer presented the Nebraska Department of Transportation National Functional Classification map for Deuel County. The map classifies all the roads within the county. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Fischer was directed to sign the map verifying that no changes are needed.



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Resolution 2022-19; A resolution adopting and approving the execution of a master agreement with the Department of Transportation for the State of Nebraska for county survey services. Be it resolved by the Chairperson of the Board of the County of Deuel, Nebraska, that: The County shall enter into a five-year Master Agreement with the Nebraska Department of Transportation concerning a process for county to provide survey services for highway projects within the boundaries of Deuel County. The Chairperson of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement on behalf of the County of Deuel and the County Clerk is authorized to attest said execution. The resolution will be marked Exhibit "A" and a copy attached to each original agreement. Passed and approved with a motion by Commission Timm, seconded by Commissioner Klingman. Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

Operations in the highway department were discussed. Superintendent Armer stated that operations are going well in the roads department. Repair plans are in place for this winter. Still waiting on significant moisture to fix the washboard roads. Armer will start employee evaluations within the next couple of weeks. With that comment, the Commissioners directed all offices to begin employee evaluations and report back at the first meeting in February.

County Attorney Stellar updated the Board on legal proceeding on parcel ID 305200. The defense attorney is trying to avoid a trial and will be trying to locate relatives. The commissioners offered a couple of ideas for contact information. Stellar will pass the information onto the defense attorney.

Sheriff DeCoste presented the Sheriff's Department fee report for November. Fee totals \$899. The report was reviewed and accepted for filing. Sheriff DeCoste presented three estimates for a new vehicle. He will keep looking for a replacement vehicle which will include contacting different State Patrol offices concerning their trade-in vehicles. A short discussion concerning the operations of the department, which included concerns for the service received by Bytes Computer Security Company. The commissioners expressed their appreciation of the work done by the Sheriff's department.

Warrants in the amount of \$213,751.29 were approved upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm, (Payroll \$39,315.32 Claims \$174,435.97); Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

GENERAL

PAYROLL		29074.81
ALLSTATE BENEFITS	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	37.69
AMERICAN FAMILY ASSUR	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	180.53
ANNA COLLINS	SERVICES	500.00
AS CENTRAL FINANCE	SERVICES	111.96
BARBARA KEPLER	ELECTION/RESOLUTION	90.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	344.51
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE	11441.24
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	503.47
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	239.58
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	53.34
CHAPPELL MUNICIPAL	UTILITIES	606.41
CHAPPELL REGISTER	PUBLICATIONS	231.81
CHAPPELL SUPER FOODS	SUPPLIES	10.15
CRANMORE PEST CONTROL	SERVICES	50.00
CYNTHIA WILBER	ELECTION/RESOLUTION	115.00
DAS MATERIAL	SERVICES	154.00
DEUEL CO DIST COURT	COURT FEES	288.00



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DEUEL CO COUNTY COURT	COURT FEES	403.00
EAKES CORP	OFFICE SUPPLIES	554.85
FIRST CONCORD	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	268.75
GOTO COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	483.26
HAMILTON TELECOMMUN	INTERNET	29.00
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIERS	214.49
IDEAL LINEN	SERVICES	36.40
JANET SHAUL	MILEAGE	50.00
JIM REICHMAN	SERVICES	800.00
JOAN HANSEN	ELECTION/RESOLUTION	30.00
LAURA NARJES	MILEAGE	293.44
MADISON NATIONAL	LIFE INSURANCE	49.64
MICHELE BARTLETT	MILEAGE/REIMB	105.58
MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	124.00
MIPS	SERVICES	3148.58
NE SHERIFF'S ASSOC	DUES	325.00
PLIC	LIFE INSURANCE	81.00
REGIONAL WEST MEDICAL	SERVICES	413.30
REICHMAN CONSTRUCTION	BUCKET TRUCK	115.00
RICK'S AUTO	SERVICES	1217.36
RON'S CHAPPELL AUTO	SERVICES	99.23
SCOTTSBLUFF DETENTION	SERVICES	4600.00
STEVEN ELMSHAEUSER	COURT ATTN	1730.00
T.T.L. - STATE	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1390.06
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1645.72
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	COUNTY SHARE	3311.73
TERRY DUFFIELD	ANIMAL CONTROL	550.00
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	2926.29
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	COUNTY SHARE	3952.10
T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	3135.65
USBANK	FUEL/SAFETY	3791.79
USBANK	W/COMP EXPENSES	2122.53
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	320.08
VIAERO	CELL PHONES	11.56
VISION SERVICES PLAN	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	212.65
WESTERN PATHOLOGY	SERVICES	325.00
TRAVIS DICKEY	ELECTION/RESOLUTION	120.00
	ROAD & BRIDGE	
PAYROLL		10240.51
AMERICAN FAMILY ASSUR	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	25.22
ANTHONY ARMER	CELL PHONE	50.00
BIG SPRINGS EQUIPMENT	REPAIRS	54.38



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BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE	7870.27
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	164.02
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	70.38
CHAPPELL MUNICIPAL	UTILITIES	192.27
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	83.33
HEIGEL'S FIELD SERVICE	GRADER REPAIRS	37173.00
NACO	TRAINING	50.00
RUDY'S GAS & TIRE	REPAIRS	71.48
TITAN MACHINARY	REPAIRS	3337.53
T.T.L. - STATE	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	481.27
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	605.70
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1025.81
T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	1031.78
VILLAGE OF BIG SPRINGS	UTILITIES	30.00
VISION SERVICE PLAN	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	25.60
WERNER CONSTRUCTION	MILLINGS	5000.00
	LODGING TAX PROMOTION	
BIG SPRINGS CHAMBER	CHRISTMAS FLYER	517.62
KONNIE SAUDERS	NOVEMBER	706.88
	COUNTY FAIR	
CHAPPELL MUNICIPAL	UTILITIES	266.86
NE ASSICATION OF FAIR	MEMBERSHIP FEE	125.00
	COUNTY DRUG FUND	
BYTES MANAGED IT	5430 LAPTOP	2703.49
	COVID AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN	
WERNER CONSTRUCTION	HWY PROJECT C-25(63)	58829.35
TOTAL		\$ 213,751.29

There being no further business, the board adjourned at 9:40 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, December 20, 2022, upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm; Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Attest: _____

Deputy Clerk, Tammy Sherman

December 6, 2022
Board of Equalization

The Deuel County Board of Commissioners met on the above date at 8:33 a.m. with the following officials present; Commissioner Steve Fischer, Commissioner William Klingman, Commissioner Jean Timm,



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County Attorney Jon Stellar, County Assessor Michele Bartlett, County Treasurer Alicia Adams, and Deputy Clerk Tammy Sherman.

Treasurer Alicia Adams presented a list of three nonprofit organizations that have applied for exemptions from motor vehicle taxes. Upon motion by Commissioner Fischer, seconded by Commissioner Timm, the following are approved for exemption of motor vehicle taxes for 2023; Chappell Lions Club, 1987 Southwind-Fleetwood R.V., Chappell Assembly of God Church, 2017 Ford Passenger Van and a 2016 Ford Escape; Big Springs Assembly of God Church, 2004 Chevrolet van and a 1997 Dodge Ram. Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Assessor Bartlett presented the following tax list corrections:

Tax list correction #870 (2022) parcel ID 0000208.05 correcting an ownership/survey error; #871 (2022) parcel ID 0000208.00 correcting an ownership/survey error; #872 (2022) parcel ID 0000418.01 correcting ownership/survey error; #872 (2022) parcel ID 0000418.02 correcting an ownership/survey error; motion by Commissioner Timm, seconded by Commissioner Klingman to approve the tax list corrections #870, #871, #872 and #873; Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye.

There being no further business for the Board of Equalization, the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners reconvened at 8:40 a.m. upon motion by Commissioner Fischer, seconded by Commissioner Klingman, Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

Attest: _____

Deputy Clerk, Tammy Sherman