



# Deuel County Board Minutes



Deuel County Commissioner Meeting

January 3, 2023

The Deuel County Commissioners met on the above date with the following present: Chairperson Steve Fischer, Commissioner William Klingman, County Treasurer Alicia Adams, County Assessor Michele Bartlett, Sheriff's office administrator Leslie Snell, Sheriff Scott DeCoste, Sheriff Deputy Jim McCormick, and 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 Fischer, second of Commissioner Klingman; Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye. The minutes of the December 20, 2022, meeting was approved upon motion of Commissioner Fischer, second Commissioner Klingman; Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Public comment, none.

Re-organizational Meeting for January 3, 2022

The Deuel County Commissioners met on the above date with the following officials present: Commissioner Steve Fischer, Commissioner William Klingman, County Commissioner Jean Timm, County Sheriff Scott DeCoste, Sheriff's office administrator Leslie Snell, County Assessor Michele Bartlett, County Treasurer Alicia Adams, and County Clerk Tammy Sherman. The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m.

The first order of business was the election of a chairman. The County Clerk was instructed to accept a motion for the 2023 Chairperson. It was moved by Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm, that Steven Fischer be elected to serve as the 2023 Chairperson of the Board. Fischer, abstain, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye. The motion carried and Steven Fischer will serve as the 2023 Board Chair.

Upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Fischer, the mileage rate to be reimbursed to Deuel County Employees will be set at \$.65 1/2 cents a mile. \*(Per Commissioner Minutes March 5, 2001, the rate will be the same as the one recommended by NE Department of Administrative Services; the rate has been set by DAS to .655 cents, effective 01/01/23.)

Upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm, that the Chappell Register and the Sidney Sun be designated as the Official Papers in and for Deuel County, and the Deuel County Website ([www.co.deuel.ne.us](http://www.co.deuel.ne.us)), when available, shall also be used for notifying the public of upcoming events and the minutes of record in and for Deuel County, Nebraska for the year 2023. Timm, aye, Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye.

Anthony Armer will be appointed as Deuel County Highway Supt. for fiscal year 2023, upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm. Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

Motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm, to approve contracted building and grounds maintenance with Jim Reichman in the amount of \$850.00 per month. Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

Motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm, to approve contracted janitorial services with Anna Collins with a base rate of \$550.00 per month. Klingman, aye, Timm, aye, Fischer, aye.

It was moved by Commissioner Fischer, second of Commissioner Klingman, that the following persons be reappointed to the Deuel County Fair Board for 2023 Paul Peyton, Cori Koehler, and Kegan Brott. All persons are Deuel County residents and will be appointed members of the board for three years. Other members are Haley Magee and Leslie Snell 2024, Jeff Ortgies and Clint Koenen, Amanda Mathis, Tiana Arensdorf 2025, Zada Sauers, Jim Motzkus, and Teri Doty 2026 filling the 12-member board. Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye, Timm, aye.



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Lodging tax committee: Upon motion of Commissioner Fischer, second of Commissioner Klingman, the Deuel County Lodgepole tax committee will remain the same following members Randy Shaw, Leonard Littlejohn, and Cindy Williams whose terms expire in 2024 and Shaunna Mashek of Chappell and Kathy Peterson of Big Springs whose terms expire in 2026. Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm, the following holidays were approved. Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye, Timm, aye.

WHEREAS, certain holidays are designated by statute as legal holidays and are usually observed by County Officials, and it is deemed advisable that the dates of such holidays be a matter of public record of Deuel County, Nebraska. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the date and description of such legal holidays to be observed by the Deuel County Courthouse employees for 2023 and shall be:

Martin Luther King Day	Monday	January 16, 2023
President's Day	Monday	February 20, 2023
Arbor Day	Friday	April 28, 2023
Memorial Day	Monday	May 29, 2023
Juneteenth Day	Monday	June 19, 2023
Independence Day	Tuesday	July 4, 2023
Labor Day	Monday	September 5, 2023
Columbus Day	Monday	October 9, 2023
Observance of Veteran's Day	Friday	November 10, 2023
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	November 23, 2023
Day After Thanksgiving Day	Friday	November 24, 2023
Christmas Day	Monday	December 25, 2023
Christmas Day (Eve) extended	Tuesday	December 26, 2023
New Year's Day	Monday	January 1, 2024

\*and all days declared by law or proclamation of the Governor to be a holiday According to Neb. Rev. Stat. §84-1001 (3), "For purposes of this Section, paid holidays shall include all of the days enumerated in Section 25-2221 and all days declared by law or proclamation of the President or Governor to be holidays." Exceptions may include law enforcement, security, military, and employees engaged in other essential functions, such as 24-hour facilities. \*If such holiday falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday will be a holiday and such day will be declared a holiday. If such holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday will be a holiday as designated in the Deuel County Personnel Policy.

The Elected Officials will receive the following salaried amounts for the year 2023 as per Resolution 2022-2 approve January 4, 2022 per Nebraska statute.

- County Commissioner \$20,000.00
- Chairperson \$20,500.00
- County Assessor \$52,000.00
- County Clerk \$52,000.00
- County Treasurer \$52,000.00
- County Sheriff \$59,650.00

Upon motion of Commissioner Fischer, second of Commissioner Timm, Larry McCroden and Gary Freeman are reappointed to the County Planning Committee to serve a 3-year term, to meet as required. All building permits will be approved by the committee and advanced to the County Board for formal approval. Other members of the planning committee are Jason Cheleen 2024, Dwight Smith 2025, Justin Julius 2026. Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

Upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm, Fauneil Johnson is appointed to the Advisory Council of Aging Office. Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.



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Upon motion of Commissioner Fischer, second of Commissioner Klingman, that the Deuel County Board of Commissioners be appointed to the following boards: aye Fischer, aye, Klingman, Timm, aye.

Region 1 Office of Human Development District – Jean Timm with alternate – William Klingman  
Region I Panhandle Mental Health – William Klingman  
Panhandle Developmental Disability Service – William Klingman (meets annually)  
Aging Office of Western Nebraska - -William Klingman  
Panhandle Resources Council (RC&D) – Jean Timm  
Panhandle Area Development District (P.A.D.D.) – Jean Timm  
Panhandle Health Department - Steve Fischer  
Region 21 Emergency Management Representative – William Klingman  
South Platte NRD – Steve Fischer  
Lodging Tax Committee – Steve Fischer  
Extension Board Representative – William Klingman  
Fair Board Liaison- Jean Timm

Upon motion of Commissioner Fischer, second of Commissioner Klingman, an appointment to the Non-Commissioner Panhandle Public Health District- Alternate Member William Gray, as “spirited citizen” was approved. Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye, Timm, aye.

Upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm, Phil Pierce is appointed to serve as deputy county attorney. Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm, Larry McCroden and Jim Peterman are re-appointed to the Veteran's Service Board. Other members of the Commission are Bill Hughes and Ronald Bayne, 2024, Ted Peeks 2025. Timm, aye, Fischer, aye, Klingman, aye.

Motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm, to appoint Dwight Smith as the Veteran's Service Officer for Deuel County, 2023 in the amount of \$850.00 per month. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye.

It was moved by Commissioner Fischer, second of Commissioner Klingman, that the following individuals are appointed to the Deuel County Safety Committee, which meets every quarter, Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Leslie Snell - Chair  
Scott DeCoste  
Jean Timm  
Kelly Kopetzky  
Alicia Adams  
Jonathon Stellar

It was moved by Commissioner Timm, second of Commissioner Klingman, that the Deuel County Treasurer be given authority to invest surplus County funds and the following Resolution 2023 - 1 be adopted: Klingman aye, Fischer abstain, Timm aye.

**Resolution 2023-1: WHEREAS** the application for designation as County Depository by Points West Community Bank be approved and the following securities be approved.

**POINTS WEST COMMUNITY BANK**

**PLEDGES—12/31/2022**



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CUSIP	ORIGINAL FACE VALUE	MARKET VALUE 12/31/2022	SAFEKEEPING LOCATION
487571HD6	\$275,000.00	\$269,901.50	Bankers Bank of the West
3128MDEX7	\$1,450,000.00	\$66,432.66	Bankers Bank of the West
3138E2L94	\$2,450,000.00	\$160,799.22	Bankers Bank of the West
487571HH7	\$290,000.00	\$265,097.70	Bankers Bank of the West
486800DV4	\$200,000.00	\$201,590.00	Bankers Bank of the West
486800DW2	\$330,000.00	\$331,689.60	Bankers Bank of the West
487571JA0	\$200,000.00	\$181,044.00	Bankers Bank of the West
3128MMTA1	1,100,000.00	\$173,640.79	Bankers Bank of the West
3138EQPF3	\$1,275,000.00	\$250,259.03	Bankers Bank of the West
96254LLH5	\$190,000.00	\$157,513.80	Bankers Bank of the West
3140J8GD9	\$425,000.00	\$112,079.93	Bankers Bank of the West
3140J9DN8	\$1,250,000.00	\$210,881.41	Bankers Bank of the West
38379WXJ6	\$1,000,000.00	\$119,544.88	Bankers Bank of the West
36225EZA3	\$600,000.00	\$24,593.21	Bankers Bank of the West
3137FQMZ3	\$1,000,000.00	\$473,652.79	Bankers Bank of the West
Totals	\$11,485,000.00	\$2,998,720.52	

AND ALSO, WHEREAS the application for designation as County Depository by Community First Bank be approved.

AND ALSO, WHEREAS the application for designation as County Depository by Nebraska First Investment Trust, Union Bank of Lincoln, be approved.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Deuel County will continue the Inter-Local Agreement with the Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust as per contract of September 3, 1996.

There being no further business, the 2023 Re-organizational meeting of Deuel County was adjourned at 8:42 a.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ Tammy Sherman, Clerk

After a short break a motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Fischer to enter into the Board Equalization at 9:05 a.m. Fischer aye, Klingman aye, Timm aye.

Assessor Bartlett presented the 2023 and 2024 contract for oil/mineral lease appraisal services with Pritchard & Abbott, Inc. The annual fee is \$5080. Bartlett explained the services provided by Pritchard & Abbott for the mineral and gas



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rights within the county. A motion by Commissioner Timm, seconded by Commissioner Klingman to approve the contract as presented. Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye, Timm, aye.

Assessor Bartlett presented the contract with Stanard Appraisal Services, Inc. for appraising 209 residential properties in Big Springs and 46 Government Exempt properties in Big Springs for a fee of \$40,970. Bartlett explained the details of the contract. A motion by Commissioner Timm, seconded by Commissioner Klingman to approve the contract with Stanard Appraisal Services, Inc. as presented. Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman aye.

Alicia Adams Deuel County Treasurer presented the 2022 Sales Tax Return for the Deuel County Fair Board. The total sales tax due is \$370.29 for 2022.

Sheriff DeCoste reported for his office. The Commissioners expressed their appreciation for the extra work during the winter storms.

Warrants in the amount of \$102,361.58 were approved upon motion of Commissioner Fischer, second of Commissioner Klingman, (Payroll \$33,811.81 Claims \$68,549.77); Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

## GENERAL

PAYROLL		23567.42
ALLSTATE BENEFITS	PAYROLL DEDUCT	37.69
AMERICAN FAMILY ASSUR	PAYROLL DEDUCT	56.16
ANNA COLLINS	SERVICES	500.00
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE	10395.88
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	PAYROLL DEDUCT	477.22
C-WEED MANAGEMENT LLC	CONTRACT SERVICE	2700.00
CANDLEWOOD	LODGING	479.80
CANDY SPADY	SPELLING BEE	200.00
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	278.19
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	53.91
CHAPPELL AMBULANCE	SERVICES	1540.00
CHAPPELL LUMBER	SUPPLIES	8.49
CHAPPELL MUNICIPAL	UTILITIES	687.94
CHAPPELL REGISTER	PUBLICATIONS	531.18
CHAPPELL SUPER FOODS	SUPPLIES	8.94
DATASHIELD CORP	SHREDDING SERVICE	60.00
DICKINSON LAND SURVERY	CONTRACT SERVICE	233.00
ENCORE FUNDING LLC	PAYROLL DEDUCT	181.01
FIRST CONCORD	PAYROLL DEDUCT	100.00
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIERS	214.49
HUBER & ASSOCIATES	SERVICES	384.00
JIM REICHMAN	SERVICES	800.00
MADISON NATIONAL	LIFE INSURANCE	83.02
MENARD'S	SUPPLIES	179.97
MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS	PAYROLL DEDUCT	116.25
MIPS	SERVICES	1914.24





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PLIC	LIFE INSURANCE	74.77
QUILL	SUPPLIES	23.37
REGION 21 EMERGY MNGT	SERVICES	3032.66
REGIONAL WEST MEDICAL	SERVICES	413.30
ROBERT HARVOY	COUNT ATTNY	250.00
RON'S CHAPPELL AUTO	SERVICES	1700.38
SOUTH PLATTE SCHOOLS	SPELLING BEE	350.00
STEVEN ELM SHAEUSER	COURT ATTNY	2680.00
T.T.L. - STATE	PAYROLL DEDUCT	988.71
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCT	1283.27
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	COUNTY SHARE	2785.21
TERRY DUFFIELD	ANIMAL CONTROL	550.00
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	PAYROLL DEDUCT	2349.33
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	COUNTY SHARE	3373.99
T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCT	2284.41
USBANK	TRAINING/SUPPLIES	903.18
USBANK	FUEL/SUPPLIES/SAFTY	2387.66
VISION SERVICES PLAN	PAYROLL DEDUCT	204.14
WESTERN PATHOLOGY	SERVICES	325.00

## ROAD & BRIDGE

PAYROLL		10244.39
AMERICAN FAMILY ASSUR	PAYROLL DEDUCT	25.22
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INSURANCE	7870.27
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	PAYROLL DEDUCT	164.02
CHAPPELL MUNICIPAL	UTILITIES	243.30
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS	PAYROLL DEDUCT	83.33
NACO	TRAINING	25.00
T.T.L. - STATE	PAYROLL DEDUCT	480.34
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCT	605.70
T.T.L. - SOCIAL SECURITY	PAYROLL DEDUCT	1024.66
T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCT	1029.98
USBANK	UTILITIES/WHEATBELT	170.92
VILLAGE OF BIG SPRINGS	UTILITIES	30.00
VISION SERVICE PLAN	PAYROLL DEDUCT	79.30

## LODGING TAX PROMOTION

KONNIE SAUDERS	DECEMBER	601.43
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## COUNTY FAIR

CHAPPELL MUNICIPAL	UTILITIES	217.22
DEUEL CO TREASURER	SALES TAX	370.29

## COUNTY DRUG FUND



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BYTES MANAGED IT	LAPTOP	3348.03
	<b>FEDERAL DRUG FUND</b>	
PHIL CHALMERS	SCHOOL/TRAINING	4000.00
TOTAL		\$102,361.58

There being no further business, the board adjourned at 9:55 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, January 17, 2023, upon motion of Commissioner Klingman, second of Commissioner Timm; Fischer, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

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

Tammy Sherman, Clerk

### Board of Equalization

January 3, 2023

The Deuel County Commissioners met on the above date as the Board of Equalization with the following present: Commissioners Fischer, Klingman, Timm, Assessor Bartlett, and Clerk Sherman. Motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Fischer to enter into the Board Equalization at 9:05 a.m. Fischer aye, Klingman aye, Timm aye.

Tax List correction #874, Matthew Guenin personal property located and assessed in Garden County. A motion by Commissioner Timm, seconded by Commissioner Klingman to approve tax list correction #874. Klingman, aye, Timm, aye, Fischer, aye.

There being no further business, the Board of Equalization adjourned, and the regular meeting reconvened at 9:07 a.m. upon motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Fischer. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Fischer, aye.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Tammy Sherman, Clerk