



Otoe County Board Minutes



September 27, 2016

The Otoe County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session at 8:45 a.m. on September 27, 2016, to audit and sign payroll claims and regular claims and to take care of such other matters as are on the agenda for this meeting. Advance notice of this meeting was published in the Nebraska City News Press and Syracuse Journal Democrat and posted in at least three public places, including the County's website. This meeting was open to the Public, and the agenda was kept current, and is on file for public inspection at the office of the Otoe County Clerk during regular business hours.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman of the Board, Timothy Nelsen. Answering present at roll call were Commissioner Nelsen, Commissioner Freshman, Commissioner Hauptman and Commissioner Sornson. Commissioner Lade was absent.

Chairman Nelsen informed the public in attendance that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the south wall of the Courtroom. Additional copies are available upon request.

Commissioner Hauptman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sornson to accept the agenda as posted. There being no further discussion, Chairman Nelsen called for a vote. Voting aye were Commissioners Nelsen, Freshman, Hauptman and Sornson. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Sornson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Freshman to accept the minutes from the previous meeting and not have them read as each member was furnished with a copy of same. There being no further discussion, Chairman Nelsen called for a vote. Voting aye were Commissioners Freshman, Hauptman, Sornson and Nelsen. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hauptman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sornson to audit and sign payroll claims. There being no further discussion, Chairman Nelsen called for a vote. Voting aye were Commissioners Hauptman, Sornson and Freshman. Commissioner Nelsen approved payment of all payroll claims except those claims submitted by the Public Defender's Office and County Attorney's Office to which he abstained. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Having reviewed the regular claims in advance of this meeting, Commissioner Freshman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hauptman to approve payment of the regular claims. There being no further discussion, Chairman Nelsen called for a vote. Voting aye were Commissioners Sornson, Freshman and Hauptman. Commissioner Nelsen approved payment of all claims except those claims submitted by the Public Defender's Office and County Attorney's Office to which he abstained. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Per a recommendation of the State Auditor, Chairman Nelsen introduced Resolution 9-27-16-33 regarding payment for purchase of postage online through the postage meter. Since the postage machine is programmed to withdraw payment automatically from the Treasurer's checking account, the purchase is being paid for prior to board approval. Giving the County Clerk the authority to fill the postage meter as needed; then directing her to prepare a claim for approval at the next regular board meeting will resolve the issue. Commissioner Hauptman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sornson to authorize the Chairman to sign Resolution 9-27-16-33 directing the County Clerk to fill the postage meter as needed and to submit a claim for reimbursement to the County Treasurer at the next regular scheduled board meeting. There being no further discussion, Chairman Nelsen called for a vote. Voting aye were Commissioners Nelsen, Freshman, Hauptman and Sornson. Nay – none. Motion carried.



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Chairman Nelsen acknowledged receipt of an itemized report of the amount of personal property taxes remaining uncollected after distress warrants were issued in November of 2015. The report was submitted by the County Treasurer. The total amount remaining uncollected is \$19,467.22, not including interest.

Jeff Funk, on behalf of Roca Tavern Inc, is applying for a Special Designated Liquor License for use during a wedding reception taking place on October 15, 2016, on private property located on S 2nd Road within the jurisdiction of Otoe County. Commissioner Freshman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sornson to authorize the Chairman to sign a letter addressed to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission recommending issuance of the SDL to Roca Tavern Inc for use during a wedding reception which will be held on October 15th; location at 151 S 2nd Road. There being no further discussion, Chairman Nelsen called for a vote. Voting aye were Commissioners Freshman, Hauptman, Sornson and Nelsen. Nay – none. Motion carried.

At 8:50 a.m. Chairman Nelsen called for a short recess. At 8:52 a.m. the meeting resumed with all members being duly noted as present.

Report as given by Lead Road Supervisor, Jon Brinkman:

- The contractor has been installing piling for the new bridge north of Otoe.
- Another contractor has begun work on the east side of Old Hwy 2.
- The construction crew has been working north of Palmyra
- The maintainer operators are grading the minimum maintenance roads in preparation for fall harvest
- Rock is being hauled and applied to roadways as it becomes available

Chairman Nelsen noted that the Governor has authorized the transfer of federal funds to counties. Therefore, Board Members need to work with Mr. Brinkman to prioritize bridge replacement projects that are “shovel ready” and submit them to the NDOR for federal aid.

Chairman Nelsen opened a public hearing to hear comments regarding the plat for RACS Subdivision located in Part of the NE 1/4 NW 1/4 S26-T9-R10 as requested by Ronald and Shirley Conradi. There being no public comment, the hearing was closed. Surveyor Dave Schmitz said the existing farm site is being separated from the remaining farm ground. The couple intends to renovate the old house or build a new one. The existing well is not certified for drinking water; therefore, they have been approved for rural water hook-up. Commissioner Hauptman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sornson to authorize the Chairman to sign the plat map for RACS Subdivision located in the NE 1/4 NW 1/4 S26-T9-R10 as requested by Ronald and Shirley Conradi; site location at 2092 E Rd. There being no further discussion, Chairman Nelsen called for a vote. Voting aye were Commissioners Hauptman, Sornson, Nelsen and Freshman. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Nelsen opened a public hearing to hear comments regarding the plat for Frerichs Family Subdivision located in the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 S36-T8-R12 as requested by Linda J Frerichs, Trustee of the Frerichs Trust. There being no public comment, the hearing was closed. Surveyor Schmitz said the owner is separating 4.44 acres (that includes the farm house) from the remaining farm. Commissioner Sornson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Freshman to authorize the Chairman to sign the plat map for Frerichs Family Subdivision located in the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 S36-T8-R12 as requested by Linda Frerichs; site location at 725 S 46th Rd. There being no further discussion,



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Chairman Nelsen called for a vote. Voting aye were Commissioners Sornson, Nelsen, Freshman and Hauptman. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Bids for three separate projects were publicly opened and read on September 23, 2016, in the presence of Commissioner Freshman, Supervisor Brinkman, Engineer Mark Mainelli and the County Clerk. Bids submitted for Project C-66(597) (located on N Rd between Roads 20 and 22) that involves the purchase of a 67' corrugated metal tube, steel headwall and wingwall are listed below:

Vendor	Amount	Delivery
Midwest Service & Sales, Schuyler	\$32,236.68	Spring
Contech Engineered Solutions, Lincoln	\$33,824.00	8 weeks
Metal Culverts, Jefferson City MO	\$35,192.65	6-8 weeks
Ace/Eaton Metals, Kearney	\$36,899.00	4-6 weeks

Commissioner Freshman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sornson to award the bid to the low bidder, Midwest Service & Sales in the amount of \$32,236.68 for the purchase of a 120" x 67' corrugated metal tube with steel headwall and wingwall. There being no further discussion, Chairman Nelsen called for a vote. Voting aye were Commissioners Nelsen, Freshman, Hauptman and Sornson. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Bids submitted for Project C-66(576) (located B Rd between Roads 40 & 42) that includes the purchase of a 96" x 58' corrugated metal pipe with steel headwall and wingwall, roadway construction and pipe installation are:

Vendor	Amount	Start date / End date
Tim Sisco Construction, Firth	\$58,625.00	Feb 2017 / Feb 2017
Petersen Earthmoving, Dunbar	\$61,303.00	6-1-17 / 6-15-17
Malone Construction, Douglas	\$63,602.00	6-1-17 / 7-31-17
Neuvirth Construction, Blair	\$70,123.62	Feb 2017 / May 2017
Midwest Underground, Lincoln	\$74,619.02	6-24-17 / 7-28-17
Nemaha Landscape Const, Lincoln	\$75,754.00	10-31-16 / 11-4-16
ME Collins Contracting, Wahoo	\$76,427.38	6-15-17 / 9-17-17
Kerns Excavating, Plattsmouth	\$79,022.00	June/July 2017/35 days
Yong Construction, Valley	\$98,296.00	11-15-16 / 12-20-16

Bids submitted for Project C-66(577) (located on G Rd between Roads 38 and 40) that includes the purchase of an 84" x 85' corrugated metal pipe with steel headwall and wingwall, roadway construction and pipe installation are:

Nemaha Landscape Const, Lincoln	\$101,690.90	10-31-16 / 12-5-16
Tim Sisco Construction, Firth	\$106,246.00	Feb 2017 / Feb 2017
Malone Construction, Douglas	\$109,405.00	8-1-17 / 8-30-17
Petersen Earthmoving, Dunbar	\$110,681.50	6-10-17 / 6-25-17
Neuvirth Construction, Blair	\$112,193.67	Feb 2017 / Feb 2017
ME Collins Contracting, Wahoo	\$129,174.04	6-15-17 / 9-17-17
Midwest Underground, Lincoln	\$130,249.82	7-29-17 / 9-1-17
Kerns Excavating, Plattsmouth	\$140,477.50	June/July 2017/35 days
Yong Construction, Valley	\$185,424.00	1-5-17 / 2-28-17

Commissioner Sornson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hauptman to award the bid for the construction of Project C-66(576) to the low bidder, Tim Sisco Construction, in the amount of \$58,625.00; and to award the bid for the construction of Project C-66(577) to the low bidder, Nemaha Landscape Construction, in the amount of \$101,690.90. There being no further discussion, Chairman Nelsen called for a vote. Voting aye were Commissioners Freshman, Hauptman, Sornson and Nelsen. Nay – none. Motion carried.



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There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, and since all items on the agenda have been disposed of, Chairman Nelsen declared this meeting adjourned at 9:04 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held on October 11, 2016.

I, Janene Bennett, County Clerk of Otoe County, do hereby certify that the above minutes were taken by me, and are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and I therefore set my hand and affix the county seal this 27th day of September 2016.

Janene Bennett
Otoe County Clerk