



# Gosper County Board Minutes



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ELWOOD, NEBRASKA

JUNE 28, 2017

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on June 28, 2017, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. Present were Chairperson Terry Lerdall and Members Glen Monter and Bruce Bader. Clerk Cynthia Evans was present to record the proceedings.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Elwood Bulletin, Elwood, NE on June 21, 2017. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the published notice. All proceedings of the Board were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The undersigned Clerk hereby certifies that these minutes were written and available for public inspection within ten (10) working days after the date of said meeting.

The meeting was duly called to order and Chairman Lerdall announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall of the meeting room.

The Minutes of June 14, 2017 were read. Motion by Bader, seconded by Lerdall to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader. Motion carried.

Audit and approval was made for the following payrolls and claims:

**GENERAL FUND: PERSONAL SERVICES-** June Payroll: \$56,426.08; P. Dexter; \$636.30; R. Walston, \$542.50; AFLAC, \$591.68; Ameritas, \$6,535.43; BC/BS, \$13,387.48; Delta Dental, \$853.05; Department of the Treasury, \$47.74; First Concord, \$701.68; Illinois Mutual, \$15.00; IRS, \$14,045.08; Madison Nat'l Life Ins, \$69.82; Mass Mutual, \$1,590.00; NE Dept of Revenue, \$1,693.46; Philadelphia American Life Ins Co, \$52.09; VSP Vision, \$139.98; T. Wilson PC, \$2,149.59; **OPERATING EXPENSES-** ATC, \$355.00; B. Bader, \$46.00; Cardmember Svc, \$16.35; Comm Action, \$347.38; Consolidated Mgt, \$439.66; C. Dannehl, \$51.00; DAS, \$152.84; Dawson Co Weed, \$8,250.00; Dawson Co Sheriff's Ofc, \$1,520.00; DPPD, \$778.30; P. Dexter, \$116.45; J. Daake PC, \$1,800.00; Elwood Pub Library, \$758.66; Z. Frazho, \$45.00; Global Tower Assets, \$292.47; Gosper Co CASA, \$750.00; Holiday Inn, \$189.90; Ideal Linen Supply, \$111.04; Marina Inn, \$273.00; MIPS, \$1,233.34; D. Mitchell, \$1,180.00; G. Monter, \$910.62; C. Moore, \$15.00; J. Naputi, \$45.00; NE Assoc of Co Brds, \$100.00; NACO, \$1,596.55; NE Law Enf Trng Ctr, \$50.00; NE Tech & Tele, \$583.60; B. Nelson, \$45.00; NIRMA, \$23,871.00; D. Ocken, \$45.00; Platte Valley Comm, \$99.75; T. Rekart, \$45.00; Svoboda's Ace Hardware, \$72.97; UNL-GNCB, \$75.00; UNL, \$144.01; Village of Elwood, \$187.24; C. Ward, \$45.00; H. Wendell, \$66.00; T. Wilson, \$150.00; Woodward's Disp, \$120.00; **SUPPLIES-** Aurora CoOp, \$991.73; Galls, \$67.99; Midwest Connect, \$270.00; Office Solutions, \$262.93; Quill, \$545.93; Red Barn, \$267.74; WalMart, \$66.92; **EQUIPMENT RENTAL-** Hometown Lsng, \$289.59; **CAPITAL OUTLAY-** Cen Tac, \$215.36; Verizon, \$200.05;

**ROAD & BRIDGE FUND-** June Payroll: \$32,360.38; AFLAC \$99.10; Ameritas, \$3,640.55; BC/BS, \$6,568.96; Delta Dental, \$369.55; First Concord, \$433.32; IRS, \$7,931.76; Madison Natl, \$24.09; NE Dept of Rev, \$1,054.22; VSP Vision, \$41.80; **OPERATING EXPENSES-** Adams Const, \$600.00; Advance Auto, \$57.47; ATC Comm, \$47.35; Aurora CoOp, \$1,512.35; Black Hills, \$51.34; DPPD, \$106.74; Lofquist Weld, \$306.27; NE Tech & Telecomm Inc., \$173.45; NIRMA, \$28,114.00; NMC Exch, \$1,932.76; Plum Creek Motors, \$1,534.90; RDO Truck Ctr, \$3,426.73; S&W Auto, \$38.30; D. Schwarz, \$55.34; M. Snyder, \$98.50; Twin Valley PPD, \$12.18; Verizon, \$66.66; Village of Elwood, \$45.10; WalMart, \$45.70; J. Zlomke, \$160.00; **SUPPLIES-** Ace Irrig, \$8,290.56; Ag Valley CoOp, \$99.66; CHS Agri Ctr, \$108.76; Cross Dillon Tire, \$4,772.38; Hemelstrands, \$52.41; Matheson Tri-Gas, \$28.10; Menards, \$141.74; Midwest Svc, \$696.90; Michael Todd & Co, \$577.14; O'Hanlon Seed, \$378.34; Overton Sand & Grav, \$13,121.52; Paulsen Inc, \$1,508.52;

**TREASURER'S MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS:** \$322,524.93.

Sheriff Dennis Ocken was present to discuss a new Interlocal Agreement for Dispatching Services between the City of Lexington, City of Cozad, Dawson County and Gosper County. Dennis reported that Gosper County currently pays \$28,000.00 per year to Dawson County plus Dawson County receives all of Gosper County's E911 funds. Dennis reported that there would be no increase this fiscal year and the annual amount of operating



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costs will be determined by the Advisory Board no later than July 30<sup>th</sup> of each year. Discussion was held. Motion by Bader, seconded by Monter to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Dispatching Services. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

Becky Chaney, Pride of the Prairie 4-H Leader and members, Sheridan & Rianna Chaney, were present to request Keno funds for the 4-H club to attend an event “Vietnam Veteran’s/1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division Welcome Home Ceremony” on Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>, at Fort Riley, Junction City, KS, and to help the All-American Beef Battalion serve a meal to the troops and their families. No action was taken.

Co. Atty. Todd Wilson was present to discuss making his office manager a County employee, making her eligible for County health insurance benefits. Discussion was held regarding the County’s health insurance requirements, an employee must work 32 hours per week to be eligible for BCBS health insurance. Also, discussion was held on the amount the County currently contributes to the manager’s salary and the time that is spent working for the County and time spent working for Todd’s private practice, the Board requested that the manager track her time spent on County business and Todd’s private practice, and report back to the Board. No action was taken.

Hwy. Supt. Mike Snyder was present and gave a road report on the following: Frontier County would like to make the two minimum maintenance roads that are on the Frontier-Gosper County line in West Muddy into gravel roads; Renewed the propane contract with Ag Valley; Update from the Hwy. Supt. Summer meetings.

At 11:45, the Gravel Bid Letting was held. Present were Hwy. Supt. Mike Snyder, Chris Hunke with Paulsen Inc., Cozad, NE and Troy Olmstead with Overton Sand & Gravel Co., Overton, NE. The first bid opened was from Paulsen, Inc. in the amount of \$8.75 per ton. The second bid opened was from Overton Sand & Gravel Co. in the amount of \$8.54 per ton. Hwy. Supt. Snyder recommended accepting the bid from Overton Sand & Gravel Co. Motion by Monter, seconded by Bader to award the bid to Overton Sand & Gravel Co., Overton, NE in the amount of \$8.54 per ton delivered to Gosper County roads July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Roll Call Vote “Aye” Monter, Lerdall, Bader. Motion carried. The gravel contract stipulated that a performance bond be provided, based on an estimated 20,000 per ton of gravel.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:05 p.m.

At 1:00 p.m., Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to reconvene as the BOARD OF EQUALIZATION. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried. Assessor Cheryl Taft and Dept. Assessor Pam Bogle were present. Assessor Taft read the Judicial Notice regarding Real Property Valuation Hearings. At 1:30 p.m., Richard Bullis was present to give testimony regarding his protest, No. 17-7. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to recess as the BOARD OF EQUALIZATION until July 12, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding a Cash-In-Lieu option, available through NACO and First Concord Benefits Group, LLC, which allows employees the option to choose cash in lieu of group health insurance coverage offered by the County. If an employee has health insurance coverage through their spouse’s employer, Medicare or insurance other than an individual policy, they can waive health insurance coverage and in return receive a taxable cash option each month. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to approve an Agreement with First Concord Benefits Group, LLC to provide Conditional Cash-in-Lieu options to employees of Gosper County for plan year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, and approve \$300.00 as the monthly cash option. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

Clerk Cynthia Evans was present to ask the Board for their recommendation to Officials and Dept. Heads for completing the FY2017-18 budget. Discussion was held. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to recommend to County Officials and Dept. Heads, a 3% wage increase, effective Jan. 1, 2017 and no more than a 3% increase in the budget request for FY 2017-18. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

The Board adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Cynthia E. Evans, Clerk

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Terry G. Lerdall, Chairperson



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The next regular meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners will be July 12, 2017, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. The Board will convene on July 31, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska to conduct a regular session and to audit claims. Claims to be audited shall be filed with the County Clerk by July 21, 2017.