

# Gosper County Board Minutes



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ELWOOD, NEBRASKA

MARCH 30, 2022

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on March 30, 2022, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. Present were Chairperson Terry Lerdall and Member Bruce Bader and Glenn Hofman. Clerk Cynthia Evans was present to record the proceedings.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Valley Voice, Cambridge, NE on March 17, 2022. 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 February 28, 2022 were read. Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Hofman, Lerdall, Bader. Motion carried.

Audit and approval were made for the following payrolls and claims.

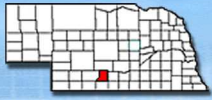
**GENERAL FUND: PERSONAL SERVICES-** March Payroll: \$60,047.46; C. Gruber, \$31.50; AFLAC, \$590.98; Ameritas, \$6,661.41; BC/BS, \$8,185.98; Delta Dental, \$810.38; Empower, \$200.00; First Concord, \$2,282.00; IRS, \$13,518.49; B. Bogle Louthan PC, \$2,491.97; Madison Nat, \$85.60; NE Dept of Rev. \$2,092.45; VSP, \$162.58; **OPERATING EXPENSES-** AEM, \$175.00; ATC, \$124.70; K. Beck, \$74.88; Black Hills, \$519.48; M. Brandt, \$56.16; CAMAS, \$681.39; Chase, \$103.19; Comm Act Prtnrship, \$617.39; K. Corder, \$70.20; J. Daake, \$2,000.00; DAS St Acct, \$137.84; Dawson Co Shrf, \$1,200.00; Dawson Co Weed, \$8,250.00; DPPD, \$707.56; ES&S, \$3,467.85; Elwood Pub Lib, \$876.58; Furnas Co Emgcy Mgt, \$2,853.75; Fye Law, \$173.35; Gosper Co Dist Crt, \$72.00; Gosper Co Crt, \$203.00; GTP Acq, \$355.84; Heldt, McKoene & Copley, \$210.00; Ideal Linen, \$138.02; Mid States Org Crime, \$100.00; MIPS, \$2,004.37; NACO, \$925.00; J. Naputi, \$244.14; Ne St Ptrl Interagency, \$96.00; NE ST Fire Mrshl, \$108.00; NE Tech & Tele, \$789.39; Reg II Human Svc, \$1,962.03; T. Rekart, \$45.00; N. Townsend, \$78.86; Urbom Law, \$173.10; Vill of Elwood, \$189.40; C. Ward, \$45.00; West Cntrl Dist of Assr Assoc, \$25.00; Woodward's, \$5.00; **SUPPLIES-** Aurora CoOp, \$296.63; Dell Mrktg, \$280.14; Galls, \$48.64; Nextoner, \$84.98; Red Barn, \$659.83; USave, \$685.95; **EQUIPMENT RENTAL-** Hometown Lsg, \$229.88; **CAPITAL OUTLAY-** Verizon, \$200.05;

**ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PERSONAL SERVICES-** March Payroll: \$34,866.72; N. Evans, \$306.56; Aflac, \$39.10; Ameritas, \$3,822.00; BC/BS, \$5,283.24; Delta Dental, \$552.06; First Concord, \$760.00; IRS, \$7,698.37; Madison Natl, \$37.11; NE Dept of Rev, \$796.90; VSP Vision, \$96.46; **OPERATING EXPENSES-** Adams Const, \$650.00; Ag Valley CoOp, \$664.05; ATC, \$49.72; Black Hills, \$539.56; DPPD, \$162.54; John Deere Fin, \$4.39; K. Lehmann, \$26.70; NE Tech & Tele, \$233.26; NMC Exch, \$18,255.98; Prod Plus, \$87.31; RDO Trk Ctr, \$5,305.29; S&W Auto, \$311.10; SW Farm & Auto, \$129.72; TVPPD, \$58.51; Verizon, \$93.61; Vill of Elwood, \$46.78; **SUPPLIES-** Auroro CoOp, \$1,001.67; Bauer Blt, \$105.00; Card Svc, \$261.45; CDL, \$73.75; Dultmeier Sls, \$142.44; Lewis Shrpn, \$63.00; Lofquist Weld, \$6.90; Matheson, \$36.63; Menards, \$190.15; Meridian Rntls, \$50.40; Overton Sand & Grav, \$591.77; Peerless Wiping, \$489.50; Platte Valley Auto, \$145.76; D. Schwarz, \$30.06; Van's Rad, \$10.62;

**TREASURER'S MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS:** \$811,768.58.

Treasurer Niki Townsend was present to discuss hiring Lutz & Co. PC as a consulting firm to assist Gosper County with the use of the ARPA funds. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Hofman to approve the agreement with Lutz & Co PC. Roll Call Vote: Lerdall "Aye", Bader "Nay", Hofman "Aye", motion carried. Niki reported that the ARPA committee met and several projects were discussed for the use of the ARPA funds, Courthouse cyber security, improvements to the Courthouse such as handicapped bathrooms and updating the electrical.

Sheriff Craig Ward was present and submitted a quote from Platte Valley Communications, Lexington, NE, for new radios for the Sheriff's office. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to allow the Sheriff to proceed with purchasing and pursue grant funding for the new radios. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried.



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Motion by Bader, seconded by Lerdall to convene as the **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Hofman, Lerdall, Bader, motion carried. Assessor Pam Bogle was present and submitted two Tax List Corrections. Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman to approve Tax List Correction #1031 & #1032. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Hofman, Lerdall, Bader, motion carried. Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman to adjourn as the **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Hofman, Lerdall, Bader, motion carried.

A letter was received from the Elwood Post Prom Committee requesting Keno funds for the 2022 Prom Party. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to allocate \$200.00 from the Keno/Lottery Fund to the Elwood Post Prom Party. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Bader, Hofman, Lerdall, motion carried.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to accept the Treasurer’s Report regarding the 2022 Tax Sale. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Hofman, Lerdall, Bader, motion carried.

Motion by Hofman, seconded by Lerdall to approve the Audit Report for Gosper County ending June 30, 2021, received from Donald D. Wilson, CPA. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Hofman, Lerdall, Bader, motion carried. The Audit Report is on file at the County Clerk’s office.

Hwy. Supt. Mike Snyder was present and gave a report on the study for vacating county Road 17 and Road 327 as carried in the Gosper County Road Book located in the Gosper County Clerk’s office starting in the southeast corner of Section 22, Township 6 North, Range 22 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> pm, Road 17 (Road 734 as referred to in the 911 road numbering system) and proceeding in a westerly direction for 7902 feet and terminating at the southwest corner of the southeast quarter of Section 21, Township 8 North, Range 21 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> pm Road 327 (Road 429 as referred to in 911 road numbering system) starting in the southeast corner of Section 28, Township 6 North, Range 22 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> pm and proceeding in a northerly direction for 5257 feet and terminating at the southeast corner of Section 21, Township 6 North, Range 21 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> pm. Mike’s study found that portions of the roads that the County desires to vacate are minimum maintenance roads that landowners’ property borders all roads and would benefit landowners for fencing purpose and the county having to maintain said roads. By vacating the aforementioned roads, liability can and will be reduced for the county. It does not appear that vacating said roads will land lock any landowners in the sections. Mike’s recommendation, after performing a study on the aforementioned road, is to vacate the roads and relinquish the right-of-way back to the adjacent landowners. Motion by Hofman, seconded by Lerdall to approve **Resolution No. 22-6** directing the Gosper County Highway Superintendent to set a public hearing on May 11, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., to consider vacating a road described as Road 17 and Road 327 as carried in the Gosper County Road book located in the Gosper County Clerk’s Office. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Hofman, Lerdall, Bader, motion carried.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Cynthia E. Evans, Clerk  
(Seal)

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Terry G. Lerdall, Chairperson

The next regular meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners will be April 13, 2022, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. The Board will convene on April 27, 2022 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 April 20, 2022.



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