

Boone County Board Minutes



BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS OCTOBER 18, 2021 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, October 18, 2021, in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Courthouse in Albion, Nebraska.

Vice Chairman Rutten called the meeting to order, and Commissioners present for roll call were Jon Lindgren and Ben Rutten. Commissioner Temme was absent. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Albion News and Boone County Tribune and the Petersburg Press on October 13, 2021, and the convened meeting was open to the public.

The agenda was posted on the Boone County website; posted on the information board located in the Courthouse north entrance; emailed to the Board of Commissioners; and emailed to the Elected Officials and department heads on Friday, October 15, 2021. Vice Chairman Rutten acknowledged the agenda and noted that the Open Meeting Laws are posted and available to the public. All who were present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

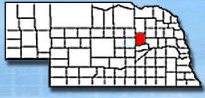
Motion made by Rutten, second by Lindgren to approve the County Board Proceedings of October 12, 2021 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Absent: Temme. Motion carried.

Motion made by Lindgren, second by Rutten to approve the County Board of Equalization Proceedings of October 14, 2021 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Temme. Motion carried.

Steve Pritchard, UNL Extension Educator, Hilary Maricle, Engagement Zone Coordinator, and the Board discussed the Interlocal Agreement, Addendum to the Interlocal Agreement, Interlocal Cooperation Agreement – Boone Nance Extension and the Boone Nance Extension Constitution that were introduced at last week's meeting. All changes that were noted from the previous meeting were reviewed in detail and all questions were answered. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Rutten to approve the four agreements as presented and to authorize the Vice Chairman to sign the agreements. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Temme. Motion carried.

Pritchard and Maricle presented the Lease Agreement for Maricle's office space in the Boone County Agricultural Education Center located at the Fairgrounds for the Board to review. In consideration of Maricle using the space, the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska would pay rent at the rate of \$225.00 per month to the County of Boone. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Rutten to approve the Lease Agreement as presented and to authorize the Vice Chairman to sign the agreement. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Temme. Motion carried.

Tanya Sharp, Boone County Health Center, presented the 2022 Hospital License for the Board to review. Sharp answered all the Board's questions regarding the license. Motion made by Rutten, second by Lindgren to approve the 2022 Hospital License and to authorize the Vice Chairman and Member to sign the license. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Absent: Temme. Motion carried.



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The County Clerk's office presented information received from MIPS, Inc regarding the next steps for getting the Register of Deeds records online for public use and convenience. The office had previously been approved to have MIPS, Inc bring the microfilmed records up to date since the last time it was done was prior to 2011. The office now needs to send the day-to-day records on a monthly basis to keep the records as current as possible. Monthly microfilming has a \$100.00/month fee and to have the records be available online is a \$121.68/month fee. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Rutten to authorize the County Clerk to go ahead with the next steps to get the Register of Deeds records available online. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Temme. Motion carried.

Due to an oversight, the agenda item regarding the opening of sealed bids for the Petersburg East, Project C6-359 – 130th Street Culvert and the Petersburg West, Project C6-404 – Baum's Bridge, was left off of the October 12th agenda. Sealed bids that were opened at the October 12th meeting during public comments were as follows:

- Petersburg East, Project C6-359 - 130th Street Culvert
 - A & R Construction Co. - \$199,621.50 – Start date: August 2022.
 - Midwest Infrastructure, Inc - \$269,023.11 – Start date: March 14, 2022.
- Petersburg West, Project C6-404 - Baum's Bridge
 - Midwest Infrastructure, Inc - \$139,882.78 – Start date: November 15, 2022.

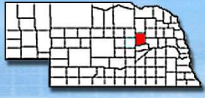
Motion made by Rutten, second by Lindgren to approve the sealed bids from Midwest Infrastructure, Inc - \$139,882.78 for the Petersburg West project and from A & R Construction Co. - \$199,621.50 for the Petersburg East project, pending a review of the numbers. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Absent: Temme. Motion carried.

Notices to Proceed and Agreements for Project No. 190781.00 – Primrose North/Ridge Road project were received for the Board to review. Stacey Ziembra, County Highway Superintendent, was present to answer any questions from the Board. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Rutten to approve the Notices and Agreements as presented and to authorize the Vice Chairman to sign the documents. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Temme. Motion carried.

Ziembra brought a road ditch erosion issue on 300th Avenue to the attention of the Board. They discussed how the issue came to be and what the landowner was told in years prior. At this time, the erosion is affecting the landowner's fence line and two possible solutions were discussed. One was to slope the hill more to keep the fence line as is while maintaining the ditch and the other was to haul dirt in to replace what was lost. Motion made by Rutten, second by Lindgren to authorize the County Highway Superintendent to work with the landowner to get the ditch erosion issue fixed. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Absent: Temme. Motion carried.

The County had previously advertised four surplus items, bids were accepted for two of the items at the October 12th meeting and the remaining items were to be readvertised. Ziembra would also like to add an additional item that is no longer being used in District #3. It is a 1994 International Conventional Cab Dump Truck with 40,496 miles on it. Motion made by Rutten, second by Lindgren to add the additional 1994 International Conventional Cab Dump Truck with 40,496 miles on it to the for sale advertisement. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Absent: Temme. Motion carried.

There are four (4) snowplow blades that, three in District #3 and one in District #1, that are no longer in use. Ziembra wanted to know how to proceed with selling them since the County no longer has use for them. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Rutten to authorize the County Highway Superintendent to contact BigIron



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regarding selling the snowplow blades as is. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren and Rutten. Nays: None. Absent: Temme. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

- Stacey Ziemba and Dan Stankoski will be attending a NIRMA self-defense meeting in Kearney on October 18, 2021.
- Stacey Ziemba looked into the 110th/115th Avenue road issues that were talked about previously. 110th Avenue is a minimum maintenance road and 115th Avenue is classified as a local road, but it does not have anyone living off of that road. Ziemba will look further into the cited concerns.
- Commissioner Rutten will be attending the Region 44 Emergency Services Supervisory Committee on October 20.
- Commissioner Rutten plans to attend the next Boone County Fitness Center meeting on October 26.

Vice Chairman Rutten declared the meeting adjourned at 10:45 A.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 27, 2021.

Sarah Robinson,
Boone County Clerk