



Dixon County Board Minutes



February 8, 2022

DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

The Dixon County Board of Supervisors met on February 8, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. for an adjourned meeting in the Jury Room in the Dixon County Courthouse in Ponca, Nebraska. Chairperson Lisa Lunz opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and called for roll call of members present. Answering were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Also present were Cindy Purucker, Dixon County Clerk and Secretary to the Board of Supervisors and other interested persons. Chairperson Lunz gave notice to the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Law.

Motion was made by Andersen, seconded by Blohm to show that this meeting was preceded by due and legal notice by posting as required by law in the Bank of Dixon County, bulletin board in the lower hall of the courthouse, bulletin board in the County Clerk's office and two County newspapers, and all Board Members were notified simultaneously and the agenda of all know business to come before the Board of Supervisors was posted in the office of the County Clerk. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion was made by Andersen, seconded by Nicholson to approve the minutes of the January 11th and January 27th meetings as written. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Bruce Curry introduced himself and asked questions and shared thoughts on a jail/courthouse facility.

County Engineer Brian McDonald was present to discuss ongoing road and bridge projects. Brian reported we can advertise for bids for the Emerson NW project. He has not heard when the letting date for the Emerson North #1 (Federal Aid Bridge on the county line) project is. The Wakefield West project will have to be a bridge replacement and not a box culvert because of the intersection. The north-south road will need to be moved. He is also checking on the state reimbursement for the Martinsburg SW road realignment.

Motion was made by Nicholson to direct the Board Chair to sign the Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed and Agreement for the Wakefield West project, seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion was made by Peterson to direct the Board Chair to sign the Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed and Agreement for the Newcastle SW project, seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Shea Scollard, Emergency Manager, told the Board that he is working on the Hazmat LEPC, The EMPG audit was completed and approved. The Newcastle warning siren has been installed and he is working with the Ponca State Park on their Emergency Action Plan. He and Sara Kumm attended the Wakefield Fire Dept. meeting.

Sara Kumm, 911 Director, updated the Board on COVID meetings. They are having meetings every Friday since the number of cases has gone up. The State is going to supply COVID testing kits free to the public. There is a video with instructions on how to administer the self-testing. Also, how to report to the public health dept. NextGen911 is on schedule to be installed. The State-Wide Radio equipment is coming later this month. NRIN and the OCIO have approved an alternative to running a fiber line to the Ponca tower.

Board members need to RSVP to the County Clerk if they are going to the Northeast NACO Spring Workshop in March and the NIRMA Cybersecurity Seminar in April.

The Board approved the Veteran's Service Committee's quarterly report ending in December 2021 on a motion by Blohm and second by Mackling. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of



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said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Correspondence was reviewed.

Kathy Boswell, Jeff Fields, and John Wortmann were re-appointed to another term on the Dixon County Convention and Visitor’s Bureau Board on a motion by Peterson, and second by Mackling. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Donna Kraft and Donna Davey were re-appointed to the Dixon County Extension Board for another 3-year term on a motion by Peterson and a second by Blohm. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Discussion was had on the presentation given by NACO on the ARPA Final Rule.

Supervisor Anderson stated that there was a small dump truck for sale on Big Iron online and the auction ends on Wed. February 9th. The Board will consult with the County Attorney how to proceed because the item was not on the agenda.

Sarah Roberts with UNL Extension was present to give Extension Service updates.

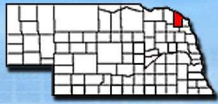
The County Official’s Fee Reports and Treasurer’s List of Pledged Securities were approved on a motion by Peterson and second by Anderson. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

The following claims were presented by the Claims Committee:

CO-Capital Outlay, ER-Equipment Rental, INS-Insurance, EL-Election, K9-Canine, LS-Legal Services, MA-Materials, MI-Miscellaneous, OE-Operating Expenses, PY-Prior Years Service, RE-Reimbursement, RP-Repairs, SU-Supplies, TT-Tax Transfer, TS-Technology Services, VS-Vendor Services

GENERAL FUND

<i>Courthouse empl.,supv. & coord.</i>	<i>Salaries</i>	
ANGELA ABTS	RE	\$ 18.14
DERIC ANDERSON	RE	\$ 248.00
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	TS	\$ 2,074.25
ART KATHOL APPLIANCE, INC	VS	\$ 303.40
BANK OF DIXON COUNTY	OE	\$ 482.08
BANK OF DIXON COUNTY	OE	\$ 105.00
BANK OF DIXON COUNTY	OE	\$ 3,195.90
NEIL BLOHM	RE	\$ 378.46
BETH BODLAK	RE	\$ 92.73
BOSTWICK AUTO & EQUIPMENT INC.,	VS	\$ 68.82
JOSE CASILLAS	RE	\$ 46.69
CEDAR COUNTY	OE	\$ 1,818.13
DUANE DEAN CHASE	PY	\$ 16.00
CLAYPOOL BROS. GLASS LLC	VS	\$ 120.00
COUNSEL	TS	\$ 29.99
COUNSEL	TS	\$ 200.92
CUBBY’S CORPORATE OFFICE	OE	\$ 2,456.39
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRALFINANCE	TS	\$ 65.00



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DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRALFINANCE	TS	\$ 65.00
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRALFINANCE	TS	\$ 448.00
DAS STATE ACCTG-CENTRAL FINANCE	TS	\$ 30.88
DONNA DAVEY	RE	\$ 109.20
DIXON COUNTY CLK DIST CT	OE	\$ 72.00
DIXON COUNTY COURT	OE	\$ 95.00
DIXON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	OE	\$ 53.57
DOC JAY'S AUTO REPAIR	VS	\$ 134.21
AUDREY DOHMA	PY	\$ 16.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	VS	\$ 265.50
EGLEY,FULLNER,MONTAG, HOCKABOUT AAL	VS	\$ 4,644.73
KATHY EIFERT	PY	\$ 18.00
LINDA FRAHM	PY	\$ 46.16
GILL HAULING INC	VS	\$ 122.80
GREAT PLAINS COMM INC	VS	\$ 1,103.66
MICHEAL GREGERSON JR.,	RE	\$ 221.72
GROUP RESOURCES OF IOWA, LLC	INS	\$ 2,285.76
THE HOME DEPOT PRO	VS	\$ 347.26
K & K CATERING	VS	\$ 2,344.50
DONNA KRAFT	RE	\$ 30.80
LA QUINTA INN & SUITES KEARNEY	VS	\$ 119.00
NICOLE LUHR	RE	\$ 25.20
LISA LUNZ	RE	\$ 115.83
M C I	VS	\$ 105.61
M I P S, INC	OE	\$ 2,866.22
M O C I C ANNUAL CONFERENCE	OE	\$ 100.00
ALAN MACKLING	RE	\$ 150.00
DONALD L. MACKLING	PY	\$ 16.00
MARCIA MAHON	VS	\$ 150.00
DAN MCCABE	PY	\$ 25.00
LYNN MELLICK	RE	\$ 56.00
MITIKU MAMO	RE	\$ 340.47
ANITA MULLER	RE	\$ 25.20
NEBRASKA ASSN CLERK,ROD,ELECTN COMM	OE	\$ 75.00
NEBRASKA ASSOC OF COUNTY TREASURERS	OE	\$ 230.00
NEBRASKA AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS	OE	\$ 16,977.45
NEBRASKA HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	VS	\$ 81.00
NEBRASKA JOURNAL LEADER	VS	\$ 484.45
NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO	VS	\$ 45.55
NORTHEAST POWER	VS	\$ 1,767.05
ONE OFFICE SOLUTION	VS	\$ 513.07
PENAS TIRES	VS	\$ 225.00
PAUL PFISTER	PY	\$ 11.00
PITNEY BOWES INC	VS	\$ 113.03

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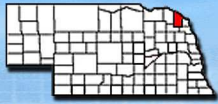
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PONCA PUBLIC UTILITIES	OE	\$ 730.17
SHANNON RIDENOUR	RE	\$ 26.88
SHEA SCOLLARD	RE	\$ 75.00
STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	VS	\$ 224.55
THE APOTHECARY SHOP	VS	\$ 33.34
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	OE	\$ 2,190.06
THURSTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	OE	\$ 2,550.00
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA - LINCOLN	ER	\$ 541.67
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN	OE	\$ 90.21
VERIZON WIRELESS	OE	\$ 106.34
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VISA	VS	\$ 326.29
WAKEFIELD REPUBLICAN	VS	\$ 253.43
AMY WATCHORN	RE	\$ 117.58
ROBERT WENDTE	PY	\$ 18.00
SUSAN A WENDTE	PY	\$ 11.54
JUDY WIEBE	PY	\$ 69.00

ROAD FUND

<i>Road Employees</i>	<i>Salaries</i>	33,168.9.
AMERICAN BROADBAND CABLE	VS	\$ 73.00
BANK OF DIXON COUNTY	OE	\$ 3,438.76
BOMGAARS	VS	\$ 731.65
HOLLY A. BROWN CONSTRUCTION, INC.,	VS	\$ 9,800.00
DIXON CONSTRUCTION CO.,	VS	\$ 196,713.00
EKBERG AUTO PARTS	VS	\$ 704.19
FOLKERS BROS. GARAGE INC	VS	\$ 1,767.00
GROSSENBURG IMP	VS	\$ 100.80
HANSEN REPAIR INC	VS	\$ 1,145.67
JUSTIN HEIKES	VS	\$ 958.40
JERRY'S SERVICE INC.	VS	\$ 1,987.66
KROHN CAR CARE	VS	\$ 1,235.71
LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC.	VS	\$ 50.33
MARRONS CONVENIENCE & SERVICE	VS	\$ 973.91
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	OE	\$ 120.00
N M C EXCHANGE LLC	VS	\$ 726.29
NE NEB TIRE & TRAILER SALES INC	VS	\$ 50.00
NEBRASKA JOURNAL LEADER	VS	\$ 129.06
NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO	VS	\$ 170.38
NORTHEAST POWER	VS	\$ 269.99
POMP'S TIRE SERVICE, INC	VS	\$ 210.50
PONCA COOPERATIVE, LLC	VS	\$ 108.35
POWERPLAN	VS	\$ 7,058.05
ROD'S REPAIR	VS	\$ 1,825.52

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SIouxLAND GRASS & FORAGE, LLC	VS	\$ 585.00
WAKEFIELD CITY CLERK	OE	\$ 363.99
WAKEFIELD REPUBLICAN	VS	\$ 28.00
WARREN OIL	VS	\$ 6,740.70
ZIEGLER INC	VS	\$ 165.07

COUNTY VISITOR'S IMPROVEMENT FUND

LITTLE RED HEN THEATRE	VS	\$ 2,209.64
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INSURANCE FUND

DIXON CO. HEALTH INS ACCT 5207621	INS	\$ 41,463.60
GROUP RESOURCES OF IOWA, LLC	INS	\$ 25,797.27
MERCY BUSINESS HLTH SERV/URGNT CARE	INS	\$ 102.00

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

MIDWEST ALARM COMPANY INC.,	VS	\$ 376.35
WOODS & AITKEN LLP	VS	\$ 61.00

911 EMERG.MGMT FUND

E-911 Employee

Salaries

		\$ 3,812.33
CENTURY LINK	VS	\$ 121.72
CENTURYLINK	VS	\$ 1.72
DIXON CO WIRELESS SERVICE FUND#2913	CO	\$ 465.00
FLUENT INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYS	VS	\$ 2,500.00
GREAT PLAINS COMM INC	VS	\$ 111.41
GROUP RESOURCES OF IOWA, LLC	INS	\$ 571.44
NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO	VS	\$ 175.90
NORTHEAST POWER	VS	\$ 371.86
VISA	OE	\$ 14.00

911 WIRELESS SERVICE FUND

CENTURY LINK	VS	\$ 298.01
CENTURYLINK	VS	\$ 4.21
GREAT PLAINS COMM INC	VS	\$ 272.77
NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO	VS	\$ 71.85

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND

Noxious Weed Employees

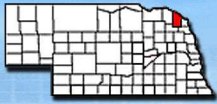
Salaries

		\$ 7,384.80
BOMGAARS	VS	\$ 107.88
MIKE ELTON	RE	\$ 82.20
NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO	VS	\$ 91.46
NORTHEAST POWER	VS	\$ 112.50
SHADE TREE LLC	VS	\$ 1,208.00
SHARE CORPORATION	VS	\$ 1,238.28
U.S. CELLULAR	VS	\$ 100.45

GENERAL Fund

AFLAC		\$ 640.46
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Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$ 36,884.33
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	\$ 44.00
First Concord Benefits Group	\$ 818.33
Legalshield	\$ 171.50
Nationwide Retirement Solutions	\$ 985.00
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$ 16,467.86
Retirement Plans Service Center	\$ 180.00
Washington National Ins Co.	\$ 15.17

Roads / Bridge Fund

AFLAC	\$ 218.74
Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$ 7,856.32
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	\$ 9.00
Liberty National	\$ 10.00
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$ 3,646.53
Washington National Ins Co.	\$ 35.95

0985 CHILD SUPPORT FUND

Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$ 198.99
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$ 87.75

2910 E011 Emergency Management Fund

AFLAC	\$ 147.68
Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$ 939.64
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	\$ 1.00
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$ 429.00
Mass Mutual Retirement	\$ 25.00

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND

Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$ 2,121.22
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	\$ 2.00
Nebraska Child Support	\$ 475.76
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	803.79

Motion was made by Andersen, seconded by Blohm to allow all claims for payment. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Committee reports were given. Terry Nicholson stated that the Public Health Board needs another person from Dixon County on the board. They would like to request a grant from the ARPA funds.

Lisa Lunz reported that the Northeast Nebr. Community Action Agency is having trouble keeping help.

The Board of Supervisors recessed for lunch at 12:00 P.M. and reconvened at 1:00 P.M. with all members present.

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County Attorney, Leland Miner was present to discuss legal concerns of the Board. His advice on bidding a dump truck online with Big Iron was to amend the agenda since time is limited before the auction ends. It would be considered an emergency since the auction ends on February 9th.

Motion was made by Blohm to amend the agenda to allow purchase of a dump truck, seconded by Peterson. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion was made by Blohm to allow for the purchase of a 1996 International dump truck through Big Iron, seconded by Peterson. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion was made by Blohm to authorize a bid of up to \$20,000.00 for the 1996 International dump truck, seconded by Nicholson. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

The Noxious Weed Board had a deposit of \$2,007.00 this month.

The Annual Jail Standards Evaluation was discussed. An annual evaluation of the jail was conducted to determine its compliance with the Nebraska Minimum Jail Standards. The Dixon County facility was determined to be in full compliance at the time of inspection.

Discussion was had on Phase 2 of the Jail/Courthouse Assessment. An open house at the courthouse will be set for an evening with Prochaska & Associates to give a presentation. It will be advertised in the county newspapers.

At 1:30 P.M. The Board recessed to the annex building to have a discussion with the road employees regarding time clocks. It was decided that compensatory time will be left at a maximum of 80 hours of accrual. More discussion will be had on accruing vacation time on a monthly basis.

Supervisor Mackling left the meeting at 2:47 P.M.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by Blohm, seconded by Andersen to adjourn. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Mackling. The Board adjourned at 2:29 P.M.

**ATTEST: CINDY PURUCKER
DIXON COUNTY CLERK**

**LISA LUNZ, CHAIRPERSON
DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS

The Dixon County Board of Equalization met on February 8, 2022 at 11:00 A.M. for an adjourned meeting in the Jury Room in the Dixon County Courthouse in Ponca, Nebraska. Chairperson Lisa Lunz called for roll call of members present. Answering were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Also present were Cindy Purucker, Dixon County Clerk and Secretary to the Board and Amy Watchorn, Dixon County Assessor. Chairperson Lunz gave notice to the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Law.



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Motion was made by Andersen, seconded by Blohm to show by the records that this meeting was preceded by due and legal notice. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion was made by Nicholson, seconded by Blohm to approve the minutes of the last meeting as written. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None. There were no Tax list corrections.

There being no further business, the Board reconvened as Board of Supervisors.

ATTEST: CINDY PURUCKER
DIXON COUNTY CLERK

LISA LUNZ, CHAIRPERSON
DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION