



Cherry County Board Minutes



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES January 10, 2017

The Cherry County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on January 10, 2017, as per notice in the Valentine Midland News, with the agenda being on file in the office of the County Clerk. Roll call was taken; present at this meeting were County Commissioners: Jim Van Winkle, Tanya Storer, Martin DeNaeyer and Cherry County Clerk, Tom Elliott. Also present were Twyla Witt, Jim Ducey, Carolyn Semin, and later Gail Herrmann.

It was the consensus of the Board to allow Commissioner Van Winkle to conduct the meeting until reorganization. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by acting- Chairman Van Winkle. The Open Meetings Act Notice was announced by acting Chairman Van Winkle. The minutes of the last regular meeting were read. Commissioner Storer moved to approve minutes as read with an amendment to Item D of the update to the Road Department Employee handbook to state that "Cherry County requests comp hours to be used in the pay period accrued". Commissioner Van Winkle seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Storer-aye. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. Commissioner Van Winkle-aye. The motion carried.

The minutes of the meeting of The Board of Corrections held December 27, 2016 were read. Commissioner Storer moved to approve the minutes as read. Commissioner Van Winkle seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. Commissioner Van Winkle-aye. Commissioner Storer-aye. The motion carried.

The Board conducted the Annual Reorganization Meeting. Commissioner Van Winkle moved to elect Commissioner Storer as the Chairman of the Board for 2017. Commissioner DeNaeyer seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Van Winkle-aye. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. Commissioner Storer-abstain. The motion carried.

Commissioner DeNaeyer moved to designate Jim Van Winkle as Vice Chairperson for 2017. Commissioner Storer seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Storer-aye. Commissioner Van Winkle-aye. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye.

Commissioner Storer moved that for 2017 the Commissioners serve in the positions as follows: Keya Paha/Cherry County Housing Authority Board – Commissioner DeNaeyer, Region IV/Northstar Development Board – Commissioner Van Winkle, Region 4/Behavioral Health System Board – Commissioner Storer, County Welfare Chairman – Commissioner Van Winkle, RC&D Board – Commissioner Van Winkle, Road District #1 Supervisor – Commissioner Van Winkle, Road District #2 Supervisor – Commissioner DeNaeyer, Road District #3 Supervisor – Commissioner Storer, Cherry County Highway Superintendent – Lloyd Smith, Niobrara Council – Commissioner Storer, Northwest Community Action Board – Commissioner DeNaeyer, North Central District Health Department – Commissioner Storer, Region 24 Emergency Management Board – Commissioner DeNaeyer, and CNEDD Board – Commissioner Van Winkle. Commissioner Van Winkle seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Van Winkle-aye. Commissioner Storer-aye. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. The motion carried.

Commissioner Van Winkle moved that the following banks be used by the Cherry County Treasurer as depositories for County funds, as long as adequate funds are pledged to secure deposits, and to authorize the Cherry County Treasurer to invest County funds in accounts, such as CDs, for the benefit of the County: Bank of the West, Union Bank & Trust, Security First Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, NPAIT, and Pinnacle Bank. Commissioner Storer seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. Commissioner Van Winkle-aye. Commissioner Storer-aye. The motion carried.

Commissioner Van Winkle moved that Valentine Midland News and the Cherry County website be designated as the official publishers for advertising meeting notices and other communications for 2017. Commissioner Storer seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Storer-aye. Commissioner Van Winkle-aye. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. The motion carried.

It was the consensus of the Board to authorize Commissioner Van Winkle to serve as the Board's liaison to the Cherry County Justice Center.

County Treasurer Kathy Hammond addressed the Board regarding the need to update some furnishings and computer equipment in her office and to suggest obtaining a postage meter. It was the consensus of the Board to have the Treasurer purchase a new computer and to get quotes on the furniture and postage meter.

Jim Ducey discussed the "I am Nebraska" project that is part of the recognition of the 150th anniversary of the State of Nebraska's statehood. He asked for permission to use a room in the old Courthouse to conduct interviews if necessary. It was the consensus of the Board to make the room available as well as suggesting a couple of other possible locations.

Zoning Administrator Joel Mundorf addressed the Board regarding the most recent Planning Commission meeting, an upcoming NPZA workshop, and Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment members' terms to expire in 2017. No Board action was required at this time.

The Board reviewed annual cost-of-living increases for 2017. Commissioner Van Winkle moved to provide a 3% cost-of-living increase to Cherry County employees' salaries and wages other than elected County Officials whose salaries were set by the Board's 2013 salary resolution for the current term and the respective deputy salaries prescribed by State Statute. Commissioner DeNaeyer seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Van Winkle-aye. Commissioner Storer-aye. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. The motion carried.

Rose Chappell met with the Board to discuss the Sandhills Rescue Ambulance located in Merriman. Brent Peterson, Kay Reese, Sam Day, Vince Lopez and Gary Weaver were also present for the discussion. The lack of certified EMT's and first responders in the area was reviewed. Options for increasing staffing or siting the ambulance elsewhere were discussed. It was the consensus of the Board to contact other service providers to the area and continue to try to provide the ambulance if possible.

At 3:00 PM, as advertised, the Board recessed to convene as a Board of Corrections.

The Board returned to regular session at 4:08 PM.

County Attorney Eric Scott provide the Board with an update on NEOC complaints filed by two county employees. He stated that the situation may require the assistance of additional employment law counsel. It was the consensus of the Board to authorize the County Attorney to employ John Corrigan to assist with the NEOC complaints against the County.

The Board reviewed bank account reconciliations for the Health Fund and Imprest Fund.

The Board reviewed the Sheriff's fee report for the period October-December 2016.

The Board reviewed the fee report from the Clerk of the District Court for the month of December.

The Board discussed a proposed amendment to the bereavement leave portion of the County employee personnel policy.

Commissioner Van Winkle moved to adopt the amended language for the bereavement leave policy as presented for the Cherry County Employees handbook. Commissioner DeNaeyer seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Storer-aye. Commissioner Van Winkle-aye. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. The motion carried.

Commissioner Van Winkle moved to approve claims. Commissioner Storer seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. Commissioner Van Winkle-aye. Commissioner Storer-aye. The motion carried.

January 10, 2017 CHERRY COUNTY CLAIMS LISTING

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	70,416.40	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the General Fund in the amount of			\$ 70,416.40
GENERAL			
Anderson Electric Inc	Services		\$242.91
Associated Psychologists & Counselors	Services		\$3,100.00
Black Hill Chemical	Supplies		\$335.94
Bomgaars	Supplies		\$25.98
Buckles Fuel Service	Fuel		\$198.01
CBM Managed Services	County Jail Food Service		\$3,954.28
CenturyLink	Telephone Service		\$357.36



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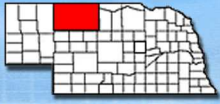
Cherry County Court	Court Fees	\$119.00
Cherry County District Court	Court Fees	\$36.00
Cherry County Hospital	County Jail Medical	\$175.00
Cherry County Sheriff	Court Fees	\$1,006.60
Clearly Communications	Telephone Service	\$288.10
Cody Oil Company	Fuel	\$295.01
Amanda Colburn	Services	\$391.50
Country Pride Coop	Supplies	\$3,605.63
DAS State Accounting	Services	\$448.00
Dataspec Inc	Services	\$399.00
Department of Pathology - St Louis U	Services	\$230.00
Jody Dexter	Reimbursement	\$99.36
Ecolab Inc	Supplies	\$234.48
Thomas Elliott	Reimbursement	\$199.80
Galls LLC	County Jail Uniform	\$427.22
Pat Greenough	Reimbursement	\$100.00
Hampton Inn-Kearney	Lodging	\$399.80
Timothy Hanson	Survey Party Chief	\$950.00
Heartland Paper Company	Supplies	\$202.54
Henderson's IGA	County Jail Food Service	\$27.96
Human Factor Research Group	Supplies	\$44.31
Huskerland Communications	Supplies	\$19.99
IANR Rental Units	Lodging	\$120.00
KBR Rrual Public Power District	Utilities	\$106.01
Knapp Electric	Services	\$395.10
Joe Kreycik	Reimbursement	\$30.00
KVSH Radio	Services	\$50.00
William Marshall	Veteran Service	\$50.00
Matthew Bender & Co Inc	Supplies	\$198.90
Microfilm Imaging Systems	Services	\$86.00
Mips Inc	Services	\$1,682.90
Monroe HVAC	Services	\$233.75
NADA Appraisal Guides	Supplies	\$186.00
Nebraska Clerks of District Court Assn	Dues	\$50.00
Nebraska Health & Human Services	Services	\$1,940.00
NK Waste Management	Services	\$164.00
NT&T	Telephone Service	\$978.00
O'Kief Law Office	Clerical Salary/Utilities/Office Space	\$2,580.00
Office Products Center	Office Supplies	\$1,912.95
Krista Ostransky	Reimbursement	\$55.00
Outback Screenprinting & Embroidery	Services	\$54.45
The Parts Company	Supplies	\$12.49
Petty Cash	Postage	\$47.00
Platte Valley Communications	Services	\$45.00
PREMA	Utilities	\$343.47
Presto-X	Services	\$69.21
Quigley Dill & Quigley	Attorney Fees	\$6,820.00
Quill Corporation	Office Supplies	\$71.86
Ramada Inn	Lodging	\$140.00
Reese Inc	Supplies	\$1,279.20
Region 4 Behavioral Health System	Dues & Fees	\$4,388.75
Ron's Quik Lube	Services	\$75.00
Sandhill Oil Company	Fuel	\$412.05
Cynthia Scott	Reimbursement	\$6.45
Security First Bank Visa	Travel Expenses	\$90.23

Shopko Pharmacy	County Jail Medical	\$544.87
Sirchie	Supplies	\$36.32
Samuel Q Spain	Veteran Service	\$50.00
Lynell Stillwell	Reimbursement	\$290.70
Sundance Enterprises	Fuel	\$135.36
Tax Valuation Inc	Services	\$20,000.00
Tehrani Motor Company	Services	\$65.30
Three River Telco	Television Service	\$37.08
True Value Hardware	Supplies	\$102.79
Uniform & Accesories Warehouse	Supplies	\$79.98
UNL ITS Communications Center	Telephone Service	\$8.34
UNL Panhandle Research	Car Rental/Fuel	\$295.37
US Cellular	Telephone Service	\$221.25
Valentine Midland News	Publishing Services	\$786.58
Valentine Office Supply	Office Supplies	\$1,144.21
City of Valentine	Utilities	\$3,413.34
Viaero Wireless	Telephone Service	\$318.20
Gary Weaver	Reimbursement	\$55.00
Wex Bank	Fuel	\$554.11
	TOTAL	\$70,726.35
	Adjustment for Journal Entry 17010001	(\$309.95)
	WARRANT AMOUNT	\$70,416.40

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	62,350.33	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Road Fund in the amount of			\$ 62,350.33

ROAD

Ainsworth Auto Parts	Supplies	\$88.01
Andersen & Sons Napa Auto Parts	Supplies	\$37.20
Applied Connective Technologies	Services	\$141.66
Bacon Repair	Services	\$787.26
Bill's Garage	Services	\$145.27
Bluetarp Financial	Services	\$254.09
Bomgaars	Supplies	\$1,689.11
Douglas Boyer	Reimbursement	\$45.86
Buckles Fuel Service	Fuel	\$2,797.32
California Contractors Supplies	Supplies	\$878.50
Chemsearch	Supplies	\$123.80
Class C Solutions Group	Services	\$240.57
Village of Cody	Utilities	\$92.00
Consolidated Telephone	Telephone Service	\$201.38
Cow Country Sales & Services	Supplies	\$174.50
Croell Inc	Supplies	\$2,003.95
Crossroads Auto Repair Specialists	Services	\$103.28
Custer Public Power District	Utilities	\$192.04
D/W Machine & Manufacturing Co	Services	\$34.00
Dale's Tire & Retreading Inc	Services	\$1,903.00
Farmers-Ranchers Coop	Supplies	\$533.00
Wyatt Galloway	Services	\$950.00
GE Associates	Services	\$58.43
Great Plains Communications	Utilities	\$280.13
Hampton Well Drilling	Services	\$1,812.50
Heart City Plumbing & Heating	Services	\$500.00
Heinert Ag Service	Services	\$360.32
Hinn's Gordon Auto Supply	Supplies	\$415.76
Interstate Battery System of SC	Supplies	\$455.80
KBR Rural Public Power District	Utilities	\$1,245.37
Kimball Midwest	Supplies	\$1,029.78
Knapp Electric	Services	\$28.93



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Koinzan Trucking	Services	\$1,679.88
Lawson Products Inc	Supplies	\$247.54
Mathis Equipment	Supplies	\$427.20
Menards	Supplies	\$26.41
Village of Merriman	Utilities	\$47.00
Michael Todd & Company Inc	Services	\$1,904.75
Mips Inc	Services	\$180.00
Morris Equipment LLC	Supplies	\$114.08
Motor Carrier Services Division	Services	\$17.28
Mullen Auto & Diesel	Services	\$8.55
Village of Mullen	Utilities	\$120.00
Neal Oil & Auto Center Inc	Supplies	\$725.00
Nebraska Machinery Co	Supplies	\$2,195.05
Nebraska Motor Fuels Division	Taxes	\$3,776.00
Nebraska Public Power District	Utilities	\$277.06
Nebraska Truck Center Inc	Supplies	\$87.39
NK Waste Management	Services	\$82.00
NT&T	Telephone Service	\$110.59
Office Products Center	Office Supplies	\$24.79
Ohlmann Building Center	Supplies	\$40.00
Outback Screenprinting & Embroidery	Supplies	\$140.00
The Parts Company	Supplies	\$492.93
Perrett Construction	Supplies	\$8,580.25
Pit Stall Inc	Services	\$1,315.17
Platte Valley Communications Inc	Postage	\$1,783.86
Powerplan	Supplies	\$1,974.95
Prema (Panhandle Rural Electric Assn)	Utilities	\$90.64
Reese Inc	Supplies	\$760.50
Sandhill Oil Co	Fuel	\$4,253.87
Sandhills Ranch Supply	Supplies	\$778.96
Scooter's Repair	Services	\$257.75
Security First Bank	Payment	\$7,099.03
Sonny's Service	Services	\$127.50
Sturdevant's Auto Parts	Supplies	\$79.43
Titan Machinery	Supplies	\$249.76
US Cellular	Telephone Service	\$188.83
Valentine Machine & Welding Works	Services	\$45.90
Valentine Office Supply	Office Supplies	\$158.62
City of Valentine	Utilities	\$729.94
Vulcan Welding	Services	\$517.76
Ronald White	Services	\$240.00
Wick's Sterling Trucks	Supplies	\$86.59
Young's Western Wear	Supplies	\$749.70
	Adjustment for Journal Entry 17010001	(\$45.00)
	TOTAL	\$62,350.33

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	4,232.45	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Visitor Promotion Fund in the amount of			\$ 4,232.45

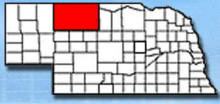
VISITOR PROMOTION

Big Jake's Handyman Construction	Services	\$100.00
Cherry County Visitors Promo Board	Travel/Utilities/Phone/Mileage	\$639.30
Hand's Lawn Service	Services	\$40.00
Hour Media	Advertising	\$450.00
Outdoors Weekly	Advertising	\$299.00

Valentine Chamber of Commerce		Salary/Wages/Insurance	\$2,656.00
Valentine Midland News		Printing/Publishing	\$48.15
		TOTAL	\$4,232.45
Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	7,544.34	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Visitor Improvement Fund in the amount of		\$	7,544.34
VISITOR IMPROVEMENT			
Beel Construction Company		Services/Supplies	\$7,544.34
		TOTAL	\$7,544.34
Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	431.45	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Register of Deeds P&M Fund in the amount of		\$	431.45
REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M			
Marathon Press		Office Supplies	\$431.45
		TOTAL	\$431.45
Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	10,583.67	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Health Claim Fund in the amount of		\$	10,583.67
EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE CLAIM			
Cherry County Clerk		Claims and Fees	\$10,583.67
		TOTAL	\$10,583.67
Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	7,083.33	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Bookmobile Fund in the amount of		\$	7,083.33
BOOKMOBILE			
Valentine Public Library		Bookmobile	\$7,083.33
		TOTAL	\$7,083.33
Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	1,183.75	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Emergency Management Fund in the amount of		\$	1,183.75
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT			
Applied Connective Technologies		Services	\$47.20
CenturyLink		Telephone Service	\$191.02
Don Marrs		Deputy Services	\$250.00
Northern Safety Co Inc		Services	\$361.77
Office Products Center		Office Supplies	\$220.00
Outback Screenprinting & Embroidery		Supplies	\$82.28
Valentine Office Supply		Office Supplies	\$31.48
		TOTAL	\$1,183.75
Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	5,750.00	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Courthouse (Special Building) Fund in the amount of		\$	5,750.00
COURTHOUSE (SPECIAL BUILDING)			
Caterpillar Financial Services		Lease Payment	\$5,750.00
		TOTAL	\$5,750.00

END

At 6:35 PM, Chairman Storer declared the meeting adjourned.



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BOARD OF CORRECTIONS MINUTES

January 10, 2017

The Cherry County Board of Commissioners met as a Board of Corrections at 3:00 PM, as per notice in the Valentine Midland News, on January 10, 2017. The Open Meetings Act was referenced by Chairman Storer and the Open Meetings Act poster was acknowledged. Present for the meeting were Cherry County Commissioners: Tanya Storer, Jim Van Winkle, and Martin DeNaeyer, Cherry County Clerk, Thomas E Elliott. Also, present were Lieutenant Krista Ostransky, David Stoeger, Shari Dixon, Sam Day, County Attorney Eric Scott and Carolyn Semin.

Lieutenant Krista Ostransky presented a current financial report for the Justice Center and an employee pay scale record. She discussed some in-house training and the criteria that employees must meet for advancement.

It was the consensus of the Board that future pay adjustments for Justice Center employees will require authorization from two or more Board of Corrections members.

County Attorney Eric Scott advised that no trainings should ever include or involve inmates.

Lieutenant Ostransky provided the Board with copies of correspondence received from Justice Center staff. It was the consensus of the Board to forward the letters to the County Attorney.

It was the consensus of the Board to table policy and procedure updates to the next meeting.

At 4:08 PM, Chairman Storer declared the Board of Corrections meeting adjourned.