



Cherry County Board Minutes



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES March 26, 2019

The Cherry County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on March 26, 2019 at 10:00 AM in the Commissioner Meeting Room of the Cherry County Courthouse, as per notice in the Valentine Midland News, with the agenda being on file in the office of the County Clerk. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Chairman Storer. Roll call was taken. Present for the meeting were Cherry County Commissioners Tanya Storer, Martin DeNaeyer, and James Ward, and Cherry County Clerk Brittny Petersen. The Open Meetings Act Poster was acknowledged by Chairman Storer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The regular meeting minutes from March 12, 2019 were read. Commissioner Ward moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Commissioner Storer seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Storer-aye. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. Commissioner Ward-aye. The motion carried.

The Board reported on recent meetings they attended and postponements due to the recent weather conditions.

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith informed the Board regarding right-of-way documents for the Niobrara River Road Project TCSP-16(36). The Board requested direction from the County Attorney prior to taking action.

County Assessor Betty Daugherty presented information for two personal property tax list corrections. Commissioner DeNaeyer moved to approve tax list corrections 2017-#31 and 2018-#4 and authorize Chairman Storer to sign the corrections as presented by Assessor Daugherty. Commissioner Ward seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. Commissioner Ward-aye. Commissioner Storer-aye. The motion carried.

Greg Nollette, Joan Rupe, Jon Davenport, Rich Mercure, and Mary Young from the Cherry County Visitors Promotion Board met with the Commissioners to discuss the mission statement, tourism goal, and job description for a full-time Cherry County Tourism Director. The Tourism Director's salary would be paid out of the Visitors Promotion Fund, with benefits to be paid out of the County's General Fund. Commissioner DeNaeyer moved to approve the Cherry County Tourism Director job description with amendments, as discussed, and to authorize the Cherry County Visitors Promotion Board to advertise for and hire a full-time Cherry County employee with County benefits to begin July 1, 2019. Commissioner Ward seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Ward-aye. Commissioner Storer-aye. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. The motion carried.

The Board recessed for lunch from 12:35-1:00 PM.

At 1:00 PM it was a consensus of the Board to temporarily move the meeting to the Conference Room.

At 1:05 PM, during the allotted time, the Board received comments from the public.

Douglas Fox Region 24 Emergency Manager, Gary Weaver Region 24 Deputy Emergency Manager, Cherry County Sheriff Rusty Osburn, Cherry County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Road Foremen: Monte Ohlmann, Doug Boyer, and Matt Ford, Middle Niobrara NRD Manager Mike Murphy, and NRCS District Conservationalist Christine Lousias met with the Board to discuss disaster relief and the preliminary storm damage assessment regarding the March 2019 Disaster Declaration. Mr. Fox believes that Cherry County will meet the FEMA threshold required for public assistance. The federal share of assistance is not less than 75 percent of the eligible cost and up to 25 percent of the non-federal share will be split between Cherry County and the State of Nebraska. The next step in the disaster relief process is collecting preliminary damage assessment documentation from the Road Foremen. No Board action was taken.

Mike Murphy provided information regarding drinking water safety and testing. Christine Lousias provided information regarding the availability of USDA funds to assist farmers and ranchers who have suffered livestock mortality. The previously mentioned information can be found at the Cherry County website (<http://www.co.cherry.ne.us>) under 2019 Disaster Information.

Mr. Weaver informed the Board of the status of the Nenzel Communications Tower that was damaged by the recent storm. NIRMA, the County's Insurance Company, sent a structural engineer to determine the cause of failure for the tower. Replacing the tower requires the completion of the Conditional Use Permit process through the Planning Commission and the Board of Commissioners. The Board requested Mr. Weaver to file the CUP application with the Zoning Administrator as soon as possible. No Board action was required.

At 2:10 PM it was a consensus of the Board to return to the regular Commissioner meeting room.

After consultation with the County Attorney, Commissioner Storer moved to approve the Addendum to Acquisition Contract between Oboetientia, LLC and the State of Nebraska, Department of Transportation as agent for the County of Cherry, Nebraska thereby ratifying the Memorandum of Understanding dated January 30, 2018 between Cherry County and Oboetientia, LLC and to authorize Chairman Storer to sign the contract. Commissioner DeNaeyer seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Storer-aye. Commissioner DeNaeyer-aye. Commissioner Ward-aye. The motion carried.

At 2:30 PM, as advertised, the Board recessed from regular session to convene as a Board of Corrections.

At 3:05 PM the Board returned to regular session.

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

March 26, 2019 CHERRY COUNTY CLAIMS LISTING

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	207,456.60	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the General Fund in the amount of			\$
			207,456.60

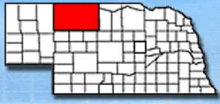
GENERAL

AFLAC	Withholdings/Insurance	\$1,455.25
Ameritas Life Insurance/Retirement	Withholdings/Retirement	\$14,623.74
Ameritas Life Insurance/Dental	Withholdings/Insurance	\$2,562.16
Cherry County Health Account	Health Claims Funding	\$35,545.17
Colonial Life	Supplemental Insurance Premiums	\$4,354.12
Credit Management Services	Withholdings/Garnishment	\$336.51
EFTPS	Withholdings/Taxes	\$26,556.85
Legal Shield	Services	\$237.95
MassMutual	Withholdings/Retirement	\$400.00
Meritain Health	Health Insurance Premiums	\$14,478.44
NE Department of Revenue	Withholdings/Taxes	\$3,570.92
Eric A Scott	Clerical Salary/Supplies	\$9,472.00
Vision Service Plan	Withholdings/Insurance	\$551.70
General Fund Payroll	Gross Wages & Salaries	\$126,789.51
GROSS TOTAL		\$240,934.32
Adjustment for employees' share of withholdings		(\$33,477.72)
NET TOTAL		\$207,456.60

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	102,628.51	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Road Fund in the amount of			\$
			102,628.51

ROAD

AFLAC	Withholdings/Insurance	\$1,718.51
Ameritas Life Insurance/Retirement	Withholdings/Retirement	\$7,427.61
Ameritas Life Insurance/Dental	Withholdings/Insurance	\$1,152.48
Assurity Life Insurance Company	Withholdings/Insurance	\$21.75
Cherry County Health Account	Health Claim Funding	\$17,607.33



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Colonial Life	Supplemental Insurance Premiums	\$2,282.74
Credit Management	Withholdings/Garnishment	\$295.05
EFTPS	Taxes/Withholdings	\$14,242.44
Legal Shield	Services	\$229.20
Meritain Health	Health Insurance Premiums	\$6,723.13
NE Department of Revenue	Taxes/Withholdings	\$2,016.57
Panhandle Collection, Inc	Withholdings/Garnishment	\$469.21
SD Child Support Payment Center	Garnishment	\$433.33
Vision Service Plan	Withholdings/Insurance	\$188.22
Road Fund Payroll	Gross Wages & Salaries	\$67,627.28
	GROSS TOTAL	\$122,434.85
	Adjustment for employees' share of withholdings	(\$19,806.34)
	NET TOTAL	\$102,628.51

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	33,823.26	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Health Claims Fund in the amount of			\$ 33,823.26

HEALTH CLAIMS FUND

Cherry County Clerk	Health Insurance Claims	\$33,823.26
	TOTAL	\$33,823.26

Claims were presented in the amount of	\$	2,765.66	.
and disallowed in the amount of	\$	-	.
A warrant was ordered drawn on the Emergency Management Fund in the amount of			\$ 2,765.66

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Ameritas Life Insurance/Retirement	Withholdings/Retirement	\$271.96
EFTPS	Taxes/Withholdings	\$536.49
NE Department of Revenue	Taxes/Withholdings	\$64.45
Emergency Management Fund Payroll	Gross Salary & Wages	\$2,417.54
	GROSS TOTAL	\$3,290.44
	Adjustment for employees' share of withholdings	(\$524.78)
	NET TOTAL	\$2,765.66

END

With no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Storer declared the meeting adjourned at 3:15 PM.

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BOARD OF CORRECTIONS MINUTES March 26, 2019

The Cherry County Board of Commissioners met as a Board of Corrections on March 26, 2019 at 2:30 PM in the Commissioner Meeting Room of the Cherry County Courthouse, as per notice in the Valentine Midland News, with the agenda being on file in the office of the County Clerk. The meeting was called to order at 2:30 PM by Chairman Storer. Roll call was taken. Present for the

meeting were Cherry County Commissioners Tanya Storer, Martin DeNaeyer, and James Ward, and Cherry County Clerk Brittny Petersen. The Open Meetings Act Poster was acknowledged by Chairman Storer.

The minutes from the February 26, 2019 Board of Corrections meeting were read and approved at the March 12, 2019 regular Board of Commissioners meeting.

Justice Center Administrator Sharon Hesse informed the Board that the Encartele video visitation equipment has been received and is awaiting installation. Administrator Hesse updated the Board regarding staff numbers and upcoming jail trainings. Commissary payment options were also discussed. No Board action was taken.

At 3:10 PM Chairman Storer declared the meeting adjourned.

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