



Greeley County Board Minutes



Greeley County Commissioner Minutes

The Greeley County Board of Commissioners of Greeley County, Nebraska met in regular session at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday August 30, 2011 in the Commissioners Room in the Courthouse in Greeley, Nebraska. Chairman Reilly called the meeting to order and the Commissioners present for roll call were Leo Reilly, Doug Wrede and Michael Goldfish. Also present was County Clerk Mindy Grossart.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and the convened meeting was open to the public. Chairman Reilly noted the Open Meeting Laws are posted and available to the public. Chairman Reilly asked all present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The county board minutes from the August 9 and 19, 2011 meetings were approved on a motion by Wrede, second by Goldfish. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Ron Paul Account Executive with Siemens gave a presentation to the County Board on heating and cooling options for the Courthouse. The Board thanked him for the presentation and explained the County does not have a need to replace the current system at this time.

County Highway Superintendent Don Roy studied the use being made of road #64 and submitted a report to the Board with his recommendation as to the vacation or abandonment of road #64. Mark Cockerill was present for this portion of the meeting. Motion made by Goldfish to accept the report and set the matter for public hearing on September 27, 2011 at 2:00 p.m., second by Wrede. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

County payroll and vendor claims were reviewed by the board. Motion by Goldfish, second by Wrede to approve the claims as presented. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried. GENERAL FUND: Salaries, \$19,337.71, EFTPS Matching SS, \$1,479.31, Ameritas Life Ins Corp, Matching County Retirement, \$1,311.17, Prior Service Benefits, \$56.00, Blue Cross Blue Shield, \$25,280.37, ROAD FUND: Salaries, \$15,992.67, EFTPS Matching SS, \$1,223.45, Ameritas Life Ins Corp, Matching County Retirement, \$745.17. GENERAL FUND: Central District County Officials Association, Registration, \$90.00; Mid American benefits, Insurance, \$1,729.88. ROAD: Joe Leslie, road supply \$350.97.

Recess for County Board of Equalization at 1:15 p.m., reconvening at 1:25 p.m.

Tracy Calhoun Permit Specialist with Universal Field Service met with the Board in regards to the Road Haul Agreement. Bud Anderson with Keystone XL Pipeline and Ron Comes Attorney for TransCanada were also present. The County Board requested a few minor changes to the agreement and the Attorney for TransCanada made the corrections. Motion by Goldfish to approve the Haul Route Road Agreement, second by Wrede. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Wrede moved to open a public hearing for the Harvey Quiring Subdivision at 2:00 p.m., second by Goldfish. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried. There was no testimony in favor or opposition to the Subdivision. Motion by Goldfish to close the public hearing at 2:05 p.m., second by Wrede. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried. Motion made by Wrede to approve the Subdivision, second by Goldfish. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

The County Board and Richard Martinsen, CPA reviewed the 2011-2012 preliminary county budget estimates. The preliminary budget figure estimates from the County Officials as submitted increased 14.21% over last fiscal year. The Board met with County Officials if they were available and worked to lower the preliminary percentage to 8% by decreasing some expense request figures and transferring from Inheritance Tax. The Board commended the Officials that did not increase or requested a minimal increase from the last fiscal year. The 2011-2012 County Budget Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13, 2011 at 1:15 p.m.

Motion by Wrede, second by Goldfish to approve a permit to cross under county road way with electric line in S-5 T-17 R-11. Applicant is Cedar Hills Church –Donald Boeckner.

Walter Bjorklund Weed Superintendent met with the County Board to present 11 weed files that need action taken. He plans to send 15 day notices to the landowners for non compliance with the Nebraska Noxious Weed Act. The Board would like a chance to meet with the landowner prior to the 15 day notice being served upon the landowner. Motion by Goldfish to send a letter and invite the landowner to the next Board meeting on September 13, 2011 at 2:30 p.m., second by Wrede. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.



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The Board discussed LB121 and needs to make a decision on the reassumption of the Assessment Function prior to September 1, 2011 if they plan to reassume the function for the fiscal year 2012-2013. Charlotte Murphy and Joan Goodrich were present for the discussion. Motion by Goldfish to reassume the Assessment Function on July 1, 2012, second by Wrede. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Commissioner Wrede was excused at 4:30 p.m. for the purpose of attending a Region 26 Board Meeting.

Pursuant to State Statute Section 23-347, each county officer shall make, acknowledge under oath, and file with the County Board of his or her county an inventory statement of all county personal property in the custody and possession of said county officer after the close of each fiscal year. Goldfish moved to approve the inventories as submitted, second by Reilly. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Preliminary requests for levy allocation were reviewed from Mt. Hope Cemetery, Greeley County Ag Society, Wolbach Suburban Fire District, Scotia Rural Fire District #4, Spalding Rural Fire District #1, Greeley Rural Fire District #2 and Road Improvement District #3. Motion by Goldfish to approve the preliminary requests for levy allocation, second by Reilly. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Motion made by Reilly to adjourn the Board meeting at 5:05 p.m., second by Goldfish. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Dated this 31st day of August 2011.

Leo F. Reilly, Chairman

ATTEST:
Mindy A. Grossart
Greeley County Clerk