



Greeley County Board Minutes



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The Greeley County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday September 13, 2011 in the Courthouse Boardroom 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 Attorney Jim Swanson and County Clerk Mindy Grossart.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication. Chairman Reilly noted the Open Meeting Laws are posted as required by law and available for public distribution if requested. Chairman Reilly asked all present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Goldfish to approve the minutes from the County Board meeting on August 30, 2011, second by Wrede. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Russ Bloom, Charlie Beebe, Dick Mosier, Susan Rigoll, Sheriff Dave Weeks, Treasurer Vicki Goodrich and Veteran Service Officer Mike Sweeney were present for the Budget Hearing. Motion was made by Wrede to open the budget hearing at 1:15pm, second by Goldfish. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried. Richard Martinsen CPA was present to answer budget questions. The public hearing was for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the 2011-2012 Greeley County proposed budget. The hearing was open for one hour and the proposed budget was published in the September 8, 2011 issue of the Greeley Citizen.

The County Board discussed the differences from last fiscal year's budget in the areas of asking dollar increase, land valuation, tax rate and property tax requirement with Martinsen. The 2011-2012 proposed property tax request is \$1,386,208 with a proposed 2011-2012 tax rate of .33. The allowable levy limit is 45 cents; Greeley County was at .35. The 2011-2012 County Budget is asking for \$116,891 more than the 2010-2011 fiscal year budget. The County Attorney and the County Sheriff reviewed their budgets with the County Board and Rick Martinsen CPA. The other County Officials reviewed their budgets on August 30th with the Board. The Board recommended an increase of 3% or less than last fiscal year.

The County Board reviewed monthly reports from the Clerk, Clerk of the District Court, Sheriff and Treasurer. Motion by Goldfish, second by Wrede to approve reports for the month of August 2011. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

County payroll and vendor claims were reviewed by the board. Motion by Wrede, second by Goldfish to approve the claims as presented; claim 11090025 approve under protest to the Nebraska Department of Revenue – Property Assessment Division \$14,622.94 4th Quarter Billing. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried. **GENERAL:** Appara service/supplies 49.69, AS Central Services data processing 239.00, James Beck service 300.00, Walter Bjorklund mileage 136.53, Bradley, Elsbernd, Andersen, Kneale court appointed counsel 1,170.00, Built Wright Construction service 6,862.50, Callahan's supplies 128.69, Center Cable internet service 168.76, Community Builders & Home Center supplies/window repairs 2,367.79, Country Market supplies 99.46, Country Partners fuel/carwash 1,080.41, Dell Marketing office supplies 105.44, Department of Pathology autopsy costs 125.00, Farm & Home Publishers supplies 313.30, Frontier service 1,016.35, Greeley Citizen service 178.04, Greeley County Clerk postage 20.00, Howard/Greeley RPPD service 730.55, Gregory G. Jensen court appointed counsel 430.00, Katie Johnson office supplies/mileage 64.38, K & S Welding & Repair car repair parts 1.25, MCI service 77.53, MIS service 80.00, Mid-American Benefits service 874.99, Mid-NE Disposal service 1,216.95, Mips Inc. service 961.14, NE Department of Revenue Assessment Cost 14,622.94, NACO fees 205.00, NE Sheriffs Association registration fees 90.00, Office Net supplies/service 406.12, People's Service fuel 27.50, Postmaster postage 310.50, Curtis A. Sikyta special prosecutor/court appointed counsel 773.28, Spalding Enterprise service 67.50, Sport Shed Etc. supplies 21.00, Tommy-Rene Printers service 158.00, Franz Trumler phone reimbursement 25.00, US Cellular service 196.66, Village of



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Greeley service 59.00, Whoa & Go Express #2 fuel/car wash 102.03, Wolbach Pump fuel 132.30. **ROAD:** Appera service 193.11, Carlin Hardware seed/bluegrass 29.05, Chips Away service 110.00, Community Builders & Home Center supplies 170.65, Country Market supplies 21.37, Country Partners fuel/oil 25,603.95, Deere Credit lease 4,884.22, Don's Auto & Machine Shop supplies 157.98, Fastenal Company supplies 267.98, Elkhorn DBA Filter Care service 84.65, Frontier service 48.65, G-Town Truck Repair labor/parts 100.80, Great Plains Communications service 87.26, Green Line Equipment labor/supplies 72.35, Hillbill's Diesel parts/supplies 204.46, Ed Hoevet Excavating machine hire 18,300.00, Howard/Greeley RPPD service 127.12, Island Supply Welding Company service 17.36, K & S Welding & Repair labor/parts 544.03, Joe Leslie machine hire 915.00, MCI service 8.74, Mid-NE Disposal, Inc. service 35.20, Midwest Service & Sales Co. supplies 502.91, Molt Manufacturing Inc supplies 17.80, Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co parts 199.50, NE Machinery Company labor/parts 3,244.88, NE Truck Center Inc parts 164.31, Ord Equipment, Inc supplies 1.60, The Parts Bin-Ord parts/supplies 481.12, The Parts Bin-St Paul parts/supplies 386.37, People's Service, Inc. tire service/fuel/car wash 1,753.29, Riverside Fertilizer chemicals 60.55, Roaches Lumber & Redi-Mix supplies 27.95, Scotia Welding parts/labor 486.40, Source Gas service 14.98, Spalding Municipal Utilities service 37.47, Spalding True Value supplies 33.26, T&A Cycle fuel 154.00, Tri-County Sand & Gravel gravel service 8,543.68, Trotter Fertilizer chemical supplies 87.52, Trotter Truck & Tire Repair service 504.50, Ulrich Gravel, Inc gravel service 16,080.00, Verizon Wireless service 35.59, Village of Greeley service 24.50, Village of Scotia service 61.24, James Wilford service 50.00. **GENERAL FUND:** Salaries, \$16,902.87, EFTPS Matching SS, \$1,293.04, Ameritas Life Ins Corp, Matching County Retirement, \$1,159.78, **ROAD FUND:** Salaries, \$9,800.23, EFTPS Matching SS, \$749.73, Ameritas Life Ins Corp, Matching County Retirement, \$498.46.

Chairman Reilly gave a final request for any comments on the county budget. Several individuals present commended the County Board and the County Officials for working together on the budget. Goldfish moved to close the budget hearing at 2:15 pm, second by Wrede. Martinsen gave final figures to the board the tax requirement is \$1,503,099 tax levy .33. Wrede moved to approve exceeding the lid by an additional 1% for the fiscal year 2011-2012, second by Goldfish. Motion made by Goldfish to approve the 2011-2012 budget as advertised, second by Wrede. The County Board expressed their appreciation to Rick Martinsen for his assistance with preparing the County Budget.

The County Board recessed at 2:16 p.m. for County Board of Equalization, reconvening at 2:25 p.m.

Motion by Wrede to transfer \$50,000 from the General Fund to the Road Fund, second by Goldfish. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

The County Board requested the presence of some individuals that have open case weed files. The Board discussed the pressure they are receiving from the State of Nebraska Department of Agriculture to start taking action on landowners. They asked those present to meet the obligation of weed control by spraying or using some type of control method. Those present were asked to send in some type of proof or an itemized receipt of the products used on the noxious weeds to be added to their file. The Board thanked everyone for attending the meeting and trying to control noxious weeds in Greeley County.

County Attorney Jim Swanson stated he sent letters to the property owners with delinquent taxes for 2007 and prior; he specified a date the taxes have to be paid by or he will file Tax Foreclosure cases. Jim will report on the status of the delinquent real estate taxes during the October 25th meeting.

Motion by Wrede to adjourn the board meeting at 4:05 p.m., second by Goldfish. Roll Call Vote: All yes, motion carried.

Dated this 19th day of September, 2011.

Leo F. Reilly, Chairman



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ATTEST:

Mindy A. Grossart
Greeley County Clerk