

COURTHOUSE

ELWOOD, NEBRASKA

OCTOBER 29, 2008

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on October 29, 2008, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. Present were Chairperson Glen Monter, and Member Terry Lerdall. Member Gary Robb was absent. Clerk Evans was present to record the proceedings.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Elwood Bulletin, Elwood, NE on October 22, 2008. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the published notice. All proceedings of the Board were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The undersigned Clerk hereby certifies that these minutes were written and available for public inspection within ten (10) working days after the date of said meeting.

The meeting was duly called to order and Chairman Monter announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall of the meeting room.

The Minutes of October 8, 2008 were read. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

Audit and approval was made for the following payrolls and claims

GENERAL FUND: PERSONAL SERVICES- October payroll: \$41,282.58, L. Strickland, \$240.25, PT ; M. Beck, \$42.00, PT; M. Hudson, \$336.00, PT; American Family Life Ins, \$432.00; Ameritas Life Ins Co, \$4,828.87; BC/BS of NE, \$9,141.74; Delta Dental Plan of NE, \$814.60; First Concord Benefits Group LLC, \$201.00; Hartford Life Ins Co, \$490.00; Illinois Mutual, \$15.00; IRS, \$9,550.34; NE Child Support Pmt Ctr, \$676.29; NE Dept of Revenue, \$1,067.11; Philadelphia American Life Ins Co, \$67.63; Todd Wilson, PC, \$1,541.67; OPERATING EXPENSES –AS Central Finance, \$193.60; ATC Comm, \$59.95; Cardmember Svc, \$907.73; C. Carlsen, \$20.00; Community Action Partnership of Mid-NE, \$683.04; Dawson PPD, \$797.24; Dawson Co Sheriff, \$1,120.00; Elections Systems & Software Inc, \$4,690.03; Elwood Bulletin, \$169.65; Elwood Public Library, \$612.33; C. Evans, \$267.75; Gilg Law Ofc, PC, \$600.00; Gosper Co CDC, \$150.00; Gosper Co Extension, \$96.98; Gosper Co Sheriff, \$10.00; Gosper Co Treasurer, \$75.00; Hanna Land & Cattle dba Computer Assistance, \$67.50; K. Harbison, PC, LLO, \$1,363.00; Heldt & McKeone, \$1,878.63; Ideal Linen Supply, Inc, \$91.46; Mead Lumber, \$86.29; MIPS Inc, \$804.41; G. Monter, \$25.00; NE Co Assr's Assn, \$50.00; NE Public Health Env Lab, \$78.00; NE Technology & Telecomm, Inc, \$511.34; D. Ocken, \$49.42; Regency Lodge, \$252.00; Region 15 Emergency Mgt Agency, \$3,712.05; SourceGas, \$151.06; State of NE Dept of Revenue, \$996.44; C. Taft, \$100.30; B. Thornburg, \$20.00; Tri-Co Hospital, \$25.00; U-Save Pharmacy, \$12.90; Village of Elwood, \$157.67; Wal-Mart, \$269.57; J. Westman, \$20.00; XC Networks Ltd, \$1,500.00; SUPPLIES– Aurora Co-operative, \$663.95; R. Bennett, \$244.22; Business Ofc Systems, \$23.94; Des Moines Stamp, \$53.85; Ofc Solutions Assoc, \$105.82; The Red Barn, \$543.77; Sav-A-Little, \$341.44; EQUIPMENT RENTAL- Axis Capital Inc, \$179.27; Elwood Bldg Co, \$100.00; Hometown Lsg, \$304.71;

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PERSONAL SERVICES- October payroll: \$21,970.19; American Family Life Ins, \$102.10; Ameritas Life Ins Co, \$2,471.64; BC/BS of NE, \$5,536.17; Delta Dental Plan of NE, \$378.35; First Concord Benefits Group LLC, \$201.50; IRS, \$4,572.85; NE Dept. of Revenue, \$538.45; E. Withers, \$19.00; OPERATING EXPENSES- Ag & Industrial Eqpt, \$127.89; Agri Co-op, \$29,481.64; Alltel, \$105.27; ATC Communications, \$43.11; Bellamy's Inc, Arapahoe, \$296.27; Bellamy's Inc, Elwood, \$806.13; Central Hydraulic Systems & Eqpt Co, \$670.44; CNH Capital, \$772.32; Dawson PPD, \$43.60; Electric Fixture & Supply, \$171.31; K. Jauken, \$1,260.00; Mr Automotive, \$231.48; NE Technology & Telecomm Inc, \$174.46; NMC Inc, \$3,160.67; Paulsen Inc, \$24,465.23; Platte Valley Auto Mart, \$183.50; Plum Creek Motors Inc, \$125.00; R. Stehl, \$395.10; S&W Auto Parts, \$103.15; SourceGas, \$231.26; Village of Elwood, \$38.30; Wal-Mart, \$589.48; SUPPLIES- Ag Valley Co-op, \$199.23; All Points Co-op, \$108.45; Arrow Seed Co, \$990.00; Aurora Co-operative, \$2,561.49; CDL Inc, \$35.97; M. Chambers, \$1,138.00; Elwood Mkt, \$14.57; T. Evans, \$83.76; Linweld, \$15.60; Lofquist Welding Inc, \$75.88; Mead Lumber, \$19.95; Orschelns, \$629.85; The Red Barn, \$120.37; S. & G. Stoll, \$1,320.00; Tri-Basin NRD, \$12.00; TBO/Nebraskaland, \$196.45; CAPITAL OUTLAY- Stevenson Land Surveying Svcs Inc, \$3,565.00;

RELIEF: OPERATING EXPENSES- Gosper Co CASA, \$2,600.00; Parent-Child Center, \$1,000.00;

INHERITANCE TAX: CAPITAL OUTLAY- Adams Construction Co, \$57,170.60;

KENO/LOTTERY: OPERATING EXPENSES- Elwood Legion Auxiliary Post #290, \$175.00; Gosper Co Senior Center, \$600.00;

NOXIOUS WEED FUND: PERSONAL SERVICES- October payroll: \$2,272.23; American Family Life Ins, \$85.20; Ameritas Life Ins Co, \$255.63; BC/BS of NE, \$1,078.55; Delta Dental Plan of NE, \$68.60; IRS, \$316.90; NE Dept. of Revenue, \$26.82; OPERATING EXPENSES- Alltel, \$28.64; Bertrand Herald, \$54.00; NE Technology & Telecomm Inc, \$48.24; NWCA, \$171.00; Village of Elwood, \$26.09; SUPPLIES- Agri Co-op, \$52.20; Bellamy's Inc, \$7.49; Orschelns, \$35.88; The Red Barn, \$37.66;

TREASURER'S MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS: \$232,187.30.

Weed Supt. Delp was present and gave a weed report on the following: Helped spray saltcedar and phragmites at the Elwood Reservoir; Continue to help the Road Dept.; Will start fall spraying now that it has froze.

At 11:00 a.m., Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to convene as the **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Assr. Gruber was present. Clerk Evans presented the additional Rates of Tax for Gosper County as certified for FY 2008-2009. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to adjourn as the **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to approve the Rates of Tax as certified to Gosper County, Nebraska for fiscal year 2008-2009 as follows. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. **Gosper County**: General-.428249; Relief-.004854; Institutions-.006191; Veteran's Aid-.000213; Handicapped Accessibility-.000783; **Agricultural Society**: General-.008111; Sinking-.001690; **Central Community College**: General-.078665; Capital Improvement-.010000; Haz-Mat-.002315; **Tri-Basin NRD**: General-.039210; Ground Mgmt-.009649; Proposed LB 1226 GW-.008629; **Village of Elwood**: General-.459027; Bond-.083547; **Village of Smithfield**: General-.191638; Bond-.125820; **Sanitary and Improvement Dist. #1**: General-.550027; **ESU#10**: General-.015000; **ESU #11**: General-.017096; Insurance Bond-.005686; **Robb Cemetery**: General-.003524; **Miller Cemetery**: General-.004505; **Rural Fire Protection Districts -Gosper-Elwood**: General-.015000; Bond-.009399; **Gosper-Phelps Bertrand**: General-.016935; Sinking-.013753; **Holbrook/Edison/Arapahoe**: General-.024564; Sinking-.004094; **Lexington**: General-.015000; Bond-.005579; **Oxford**: General-.029799; Sinking-.015350; **School Districts: Lexington**, General-1.040016; Special Bldg.-.008799; Bond (9-12)-.066209; **Eustis-Farnam**, General-1.067206; Spec. Bldg.-.019907; QCPU-.051012; **Arapahoe**, General-1.021746; Spec. Bldg.-.028256; QCPU(K-8)-.037051; **Cambridge**, General-1.045726; Spec. Bldg.-.041066; Bond-.123196; **Elwood**, General-1.027916; Bond Elem.-.023402; Bond-HS-.044168; **Bertrand**, General-1.123758; Spec. Bldg.-.045071; Bond-.096409; **Southern Valley**, General-1.005419; Bond-.221638.

At 11:15 a.m., the Board reviewed the one application received to fill the unexpired term of the Gosper County Assessor, Mary M. Gruber, as advertised in the Elwood Bulletin. Assr. Gruber and Deputy Assr. Taft was present. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to appoint Cheryl Taft to fill the unexpired term of Mary M. Gruber, Gosper County Assessor, effective Jan. 2, 2009. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

At 11:30 a.m., Road Supt Snyder gave a road report on the following: The State of NE has hired private engineering firms to inspect bridges in all of NE county's, they are currently inspecting Gosper County's timber bridges, and inspected the fracture critical bridges earlier this year, they recommended that we close the bridge east of Bob Teeters, which has been done, a creek crossing for Teeter's has been constructed and will put one in for Schutz later on. Also inspected the canal bridge on Rd 744 east of Rd 436, the inspector recommended we lower the weight limit, but received a letter from the bridge division stating we can not lower the rating unless we have a load rating analysis done on the bridge. This bridge is on the County's One & Six Year road plan to be replaced with a 10" C.M.P., replacement will start this fall, weather permitting, the phone line needs to be removed from the bridge and a temporary one installed; Pat Gerdes, Emer. Mgr. stated NEMA has approved disaster funds in the amount of \$63,022.56 for road repairs; Larry Peterson, NDOR met with Mike and looked at the Smithfield road and Jeffrey bridge/road, to determine if they would qualify for additional disaster funds. The Board reviewed two letters from the NE Dept. of Roads regarding Gosper Co. Bridge C003721405 and Plan of action for bridges over waterways.

The Board adjourned for lunch at noon.

At 1:00 p.m., Kathryn Kenning was present. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to allocate \$150.00 from the Keno/Lottery fund to Kathryn Kenning to attend the People to People Student Ambassador Tour in Europe next summer. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

At 1:15 p.m., Discussion was held regarding the Gosper County Zoning Administrator position, due to the resignation of Assessor Gruber effective Dec. 31, 2008. Assr. Gruber, Deputy Clerk Horn and Atty. Wilson were present. Assr. Gruber assumed the position several years ago, receiving no additional pay, to help cut costs for the County. Discussion was held regarding the amount of time spent on zoning, night meetings, allowing a salary for the position, assigning the job to the County Assessor's office with no additional pay, keeping the position in the Courthouse for the convenience of the public, the Board tabled the matter until Nov. 26, 2008 at 11:00 p.m.

The Board reviewed the NIRMA Quarterly Loss Report ending Sept. 30, 2008.

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to approve the Certification of Cost Allocation Plan received from Maximus. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to approve **Resolution No. 08-19** approving a subdivision of a tract of land in the SE1/4 of Sec 5-T7N-R22W for Jeffrey P. and Daneen S. Beck to meet the requirements of the Gosper Co Zoning Ordinance. Roll Call Vote "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to approve two Applications for Permit to Move Building received from Wardcraft Homes, Inc. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. The permits regard the moving of wood frame house #4570M & 4508M.

A letter was received from Grant Rahjes requesting Keno/Lottery funds to attend the People to People Student Ambassador Program in Europe in the summer of 2009. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to

allow \$150.00 from the Keno/Lottery fund to People to People Ambassador Programs for Grant Rahjes. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

The Board adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

Cynthia E. Evans, Clerk
(Seal)

Glen H. Monter, Chairperson

The next regular meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners will be November 12, 2008, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. The Board will convene on November 26, 2008 at 9:00 a.m., at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska to conduct a regular session and to audit claims. Claims to be audited shall be filed with the County Clerk by November 19, 2008.