

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on December 17, 2008, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. Present were Chairperson Glen Monter, and Members 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 Dec. 10, 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 Nov. 26, 2008 were read. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to approve the Clerk of the District Court report for the month of November. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

Terry Krohn, Director, Two Rivers Public Health Dept. was present. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to approve the Amended Inter-local Agreement between Two Rivers and Gosper County. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. An addition was added stating the Counties shall not be required to provide funding to the District Health Dept.

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to allocate \$150.00 from the Keno Lottery Fund to Morgan Jo Anderson to attend the Junior National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, DC in the spring of 2009. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

Sheriff Ocken was present to discuss setting up a separate fund for grants received by the Sheriff's office. Currently the grants are deposited in the General Fund and paid out of the Sheriff's budget. If the grant funds were deposited in and paid out of a Grant Fund, the funds would stay in the Grant Fund, it would help the Sheriff's budget and help to track the grants received and paid. Clerk Evans stated she will set up a new Grant Fund for FY 2009-10 budget and will transfer any balance remaining from the General Fund to the new Grant Fund. The Board approved the new Grant Fund for the FY 2009-10 budget.

A memo was received from the State regarding President Bush has declared December 26, 2008 a federal holiday and Governor Heineman also declared December 26, 2008 a state holiday. The County's current policy is to close at noon on Christmas Eve. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to observe the federal and state holiday and approve closing the Courthouse all day on Friday Dec. 26, 2008. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

At 10:00 a.m., Clerk Magistrate Wheeler was present to request additional funding for the County Court budget due to Court appointed attorney's fees. Dianna stated she had budgeted \$17,000.00 for FY 2008-09 budget and \$19,845.00 has been paid as of the end of November 2008. Also, the County Court will be required to start scanning cases and will need to purchase a scanner and bar code reader. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to approve **Resolution No. 08-22** Transferring \$15,000.00 from the General Miscellaneous to County Court. Roll Call Vote "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to approve three Applications for Permit to Move Building received from Wardcraft Homes, Inc. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. The applications are for Wood Frame House #4606-M; 4599-M and 4595-M.

At 11:30 a.m., Road Supt. Snyder was present and gave a road report on the following: The closed portion of the Smithfield road was opened on Dec. 10, 2008, the road will have to be closed for a few days to scar firing the gravel after the frost goes out of the road; it has been seeded, the straw has been applied, still need to build the fence, but will have to wait until the frost is gone out of the ground; Mike stated the County would like to thank the patrons for being so patient during the road closing and also thank the landowners who participated in supplying the borrow and for allowing the County to extend on their land, without their help, this project would not have been possible; Adams Const. submitted the final invoice for the Smithfield Road, the project was short about 8,000 yards; Adams Const. lowered the ditches on the first and second hill north of DR 747, they had about 7,600 yards in undercut of material where they removed soft spots in the road and filled with good dirt, removed a section of sand in the road and replaced with clay dirt; Repairing the scour problem on the bridge south & west of Dick Helms; Will need to replace 5 stringers on the canal outlet bridge at Johnson Lake, the last inspection was 2 years ago and the bridge was damaged sometime after the inspection.

The Board adjourned for lunch at noon.

Adjournment was at 1:30 a.m.

ATTEST:

Cynthia E. Evans, Clerk

Glen H. Monter, Chairperson

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The next regular meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners will be December 31, 2008, at 9:00 a.m., at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska.

