

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on January 14, 2009, 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 Jan. 7, 2009. 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 Dec. 31, 2008 were read. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

As per Statute 23-153, appointments and designations are approved during the Statutory Meeting. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to appoint Monter as Chairperson of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to appoint Lerdall as Vice-Chairperson of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to appoint Monter as representative to the Board of West Central Area Agency on Aging and representative to the Region II committees. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to appoint Lerdall to the Solid Waste Board and appoint Robb as the alternate representative to the Solid Waste Board. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to appoint Robb as the representative to the Gosper County Extension Board. Roll Call Vote: Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to appoint Lerdall as Chairman of the Noxious Weed Board. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to appoint Verlouis Forster as Gosper County's representative to the NE Cooperative Lottery Board Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to appoint Monter to the Two Rivers Public Health Dept. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to appoint Monter to the CASA Board. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter, to designate the Elwood Bulletin newspaper as official publisher for Gosper County's legal notices and Commissioners' Minutes. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Motion carried. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to designate Security First Bank of Elwood, NE and Pinnacle Bank of Elwood, NE as depositories for Gosper County funds. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Motion carried. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to approve the Investment of County Funds by the County Treasurer. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Motion carried.

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to approve the Sheriff's Quarterly Report for October through December 2008. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Motion carried.

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

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to approve **Resolution No. 09-01** to direct Todd D. Wilson, Gosper County Attorney to initiate action to foreclose the lien of all taxes delinquent on real estate within Gosper County that have been delinquent for three or more years. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter, to approve an Application for Permit to Construction Items on County Property received from S&N Farms, Inc. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. The application regards burying electrical wire for a well and pivot motor in the SW1/4 of Sec. 8-T6N-R23W.

The Board reviewed the following correspondence: a Quarterly Loss Report ending Dec. 31, 2008 from NIRMA; NACO Leadership Institute Program; Elwood Chamber Membership for 2009 and a letter from Gosper County Attorney regarding Board Member Robb.

A letter was received from West Central NE Development District, Inc. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to appoint Lerdall to serve as Gosper County's representative on the West Central Nebraska Development District, Inc. and to appoint Robb as the alternate representative. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

At 11:00 a.m., Clerk Evans was present and submitted a budget report on the expenditures of the County as of December 31, 2008.

At 11:30 a.m., Road Supt. Snyder was present and gave a road report on the following: Mike received a letter from the NDOR stating that FHWA may not be able to reimburse the County for the damages and work done to the Smithfield road, Mike wrote a letter to the NE Senator's and Representative's; Mike met with Tim Baxter to look at the 2003 140H CAT motor grader, it has 5000 hours, the trade difference would be around \$100,000.00, discussed financing options available to the County to purchase the motor grader and if the County would need to advertise for bids.

At 11:45 a.m., Norman Evans was present to discuss the maintenance of Gosper County's E911 signs. Member Gary Robb had maintained the signs in the past. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to authorize Norman Evans to take care of the E911 signs in Gosper County. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

The Board adjourned for lunch at noon.

At 1:00 p.m. Discussion continued regarding purchasing a motor grader. Road Supt. Snyder was present. It was decided to take bids for a new motor grader and take bids for a motor grader with the same specs as the 2003 CAT 140H with 5,000 hours, both bids would include the trade of the County's motor grader.

Adjournment was at 1:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Cynthia E. Evans, Clerk

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Glen H. Monter, Chairperson

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The next regular meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners will be January 28, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska.