

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on January 28, 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 January 14, 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 January 14, 2009 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- January payroll: \$41,795.02, M. Atterberry, \$434.00, PT; American Family Life Ins, \$425.10; Ameritas Life Ins Co, \$4,898.62; BC/BS of NE, \$9,838.40; Delta Dental Plan of NE, \$789.95; First Concord Benefits Group LLC, \$435.50; Hartford Life Ins Co, \$490.00; Illinois Mutual, \$15.00; IRS, \$8,991.77; NE Child Support Pmt Ctr, \$676.29; NE Dept of Revenue, \$961.92; Philadelphia American Life Ins Co, \$67.63; Todd Wilson, PC, \$1,541.67; OPERATING EXPENSES – AS Central Finance, \$175.27; ATC Comm, \$59.95; Bertrand Herald, \$30.00; C. Carlsen, \$20.00; Dawson PPD, \$595.63; Dawson Co Sheriff, \$1,800.00, \$8.00; Dept of Motor Vehicles, \$6.00; Electrical Engr & Eqpt, \$78.05; Elwood Bulletin, \$174.58; Elwood Public Library, \$612.33; J. Ernstmeyer, \$5.36; Expression Wear, Inc, \$100.00; Gilg Law Ofc, PC, \$600.00; Gosper Co Court, \$1,270.00; Gosper Co Extension, \$934.93; Gosper Co Treasurer, \$15.00; T. Welsh Gould, \$8.00; K. Harbison, PC LLO, \$2,085.50; HawkEye Inc, \$652.98; Heldt & McKeone, \$1,308.90; Ideal Linen Supply, Inc, \$91.46; B. Bogle Louthan, \$849.13; Maximus, \$118.33; M. McKeone, \$50.00; Midwest Radar & Eqpt, \$90.00; MIPS Inc, \$913.25; D. Mitchell, PC, \$1,722.97; NACO, \$967.19; NE Assn of Co Clerks, ROD, EC, \$75.00; NE Law Enf Chaplains Assn, \$20.00; NE Tech & Telecomm, Inc, \$521.71; D. Ocken, \$20.00; Region 15 Emergency Mgt Agency, \$3,712.05; SourceGas, \$1,586.56; B. Thornburg, \$20.00; Treat America Food Svcs, \$1,111.53; US Postal Svc, \$243.60; Urbom Law Ofcs, \$204.50; Village of Elwood, \$157.67; West Drive Inn, \$8.10; J. Westman, \$20.00; SUPPLIES– Aurora Co-operative, \$406.12; B&D Ofc City, \$80.48; Cardmember Svc, \$29.12; Elwood Mkt, \$11.44; Hanna Land & Cattle dba Computer Assistance, \$157.50; K. Horn, \$2.50; Ofc Solutions Assoc, \$47.67; OfficeNet, \$678.00; The Red Barn, \$462.65; Sav-A-Little, \$131.43; WalMart, \$9.81; D. Wheeler, \$87.85; EQUIPMENT RENTAL- Axis Capital Inc, \$179.27; Elwood Bldg Co, \$100.00; Hometown Lsg, \$304.71;

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PERSONAL SERVICES- January payroll: \$21,170.60; American Family Life Ins, \$102.10; Ameritas Life Ins Co, \$2,381.68; BC/BS of NE, \$5,536.17; Delta Dental Plan of NE, \$378.35; First Concord Benefits Group LLC, \$201.50; IRS, \$4,290.48; NE Dept. of Revenue, \$489.18; E. Withers, \$19.00; OPERATING EXPENSES- Agri Co-op, \$7,932.88; Alltel, \$104.62; ATC Communications, \$47.13; Dawson PPD, \$108.24; Eustis Pbg & Htg Inc, \$65.00; J&S Star Automotive, \$35.00; JC Whitney & Co, \$432.97; K. Jauken, \$455.00; NE Tech & Telecomm Inc, \$174.69; NMC Inc, \$5,060.50; Orschelns, \$8.07; SourceGas, \$1,632.36; Village of Elwood, \$38.30; SUPPLIES- Advance Auto Parts, \$3.98; Ag Valley Co-op, \$1,585.93; Aurora Co-operative, \$1,302.11; Bellamy's Inc, \$427.21; Central Tire & Tread Inc, \$15.00; CNH Capital, \$243.77; Elwood Mkt, \$11.63; Hemelstrands Inc, \$17.76; Linweld, \$16.02; Lofquist Welding Inc, \$39.50; Mead Lumber, \$194.71; Mr Automotive, \$36.57; Newman Traffic Signs, \$169.98; Paulsen Inc, \$36,443.87; The Red Barn, \$232.17; Surplus Ctr, \$398.29; WalMart, \$341.65; CAPITAL OUTLAY- Elk-O-Inc 1998, \$481.50; Holdrege Auto Parts Inc, \$114.22; NE Truck & Eqpt Co Inc, \$883.58; S&W Auto Parts, \$36.26;

STATE INSTITUTIONS: OPERATING EXPENSES- Region II Svcs, \$1,522.00;

KENO/LOTTERY: OPERATING EXPENSES- UNL Ext Phelps/Gosper Program Fund, \$750.00;

NOXIOUS WEED FUND: PERSONAL SERVICES- January payroll: \$2,306.31; American Family Life Ins, \$85.20; Ameritas Life Ins Co, \$259.46; BC/BS of NE, \$1,078.55; Delta Dental Plan of NE, \$68.60; IRS, \$324.15; NE Dept. of Revenue, \$27.88; OPERATING EXPENSES- Alltel, \$28.65; NE Tech & Telecomm Inc, \$47.69; Village of Elwood, \$26.09;

TREASURER'S MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS: \$142,156.46.

At 11:00 a.m., Treas. Schutz and Larry Ossenkop, SID Clerk, were present to review the additional duties of the County Treasurer as she will serve as the Treasurer for the Sanitary Improvement District (SID) as per State Statutes. The County will receive a 2% commission fee and Treas. Schutz stated she may have to budget additional funds to help pay for part-time help that may be needed. No action was taken.

Road Supt. Snyder was present and gave a road report on the following: The road employees and Weed Supt. Delp have been cutting trees in the ditches, one chain saw had to be replaced, and will need to replace the chain saw at the South shop; The Volvo tractor semi needs new air brakes, received an estimate from NE Truck to repair the air brakes, it would take about 9 hours at \$83.00 per hour for labor, this does not include any work that may have to be done on the s-cams, Kelly has ordered the brakes, Kel's Repair would do the repairs, he

charges \$35.00 per hour and estimates it would take 9 hours, plus any additional time to fix the s-cams, Mike asked the Board for their recommendation. The Board recommended having Kel's Repair do the work. Bill's pickup needs brakes on the rear end, Bellamy charges \$70.00 per hour, Kel's repair charges \$35.00 per hour, estimated cost for Bellamy's \$140-\$210 and Kel's Repair - \$70-\$105, Board recommended Kel's repair; The front seal in the International dump truck needs to be repaired, NE Truck estimated 5-6 hours for labor plus parts, NE Truck charges \$83.00 per hour, Kel's Repair estimated 6 hours at \$35.00 per hour plus parts, the Board recommended Kel's Repair; The One & Six Year Road Hearing will be held on Feb. 25, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.; A Bid Letting for a new and pre-owned motor grader will be held on Feb. 25, 2009 at 11:45 a.m. Mike informed the Board he had been contacted regarding the hiring of the E911 sign maintenance person and why it was not advertised. Atty. Wilson was present and stated the position is not a county position, therefore there is no requirement to advertise. The hourly wage is paid by Dawson County from funds they receive from the E911 \$1.00 surcharge that is placed on Gosper County resident's telephone bill. He informed the Board that if they wanted to advertise for the position they could. Discussion was held. Mike stated the Road Dept. does not have the time or personnel to do the maintenance of the E911 signs. In the past the maintenance of the signs has been done by several of the Commissioners. The Board asked the Clerk to place the item on the Feb. 10th agenda for further discussion.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:05 p.m.

At 1:00 p.m., Atty. Wilson was present to discuss a letter he received from Shirley Robb informing the County of the resignation of Gaylord (Gary) Robb as Gosper County Commissioner effective Feb. 17, 2009. Others present were Assr. Taft, Treas. Schutz, Deputy Treas. Townsend, Sheriff Ocken, Ext. Ass't. Beck, Clerk Magistrate Wheeler and Road Supt. Snyder. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to regretfully accept the resignation of Gaylord (Gary) Robb as Commissioner for the 2nd District of Gosper County, Nebraska for health reasons, effective February 17, 2009. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, "Aye" Lerdall Motion carried. The Board expressed their appreciation and would like to recognize Gary for his years of service to the county as a member of the Board of Commissioners. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to authorize Clerk Evans to publish a notice in the Elwood Bulletin, Bertrand Herald and Clipper Herald for two weeks, asking for applications, to be appointed to fill the unexpired term and vacancy created by the resignation of Gaylord (Gary) Robb, which said term will end Jan. 5, 2011, applications need to be received by the Gosper County Clerk on or before Feb. 20, 2009, for review by the County Clerk, County Attorney and County Treasurer as provided by Nebraska Revised Statute #32-567.

The Board reviewed a letter from concerned citizens regarding the need for a study to be done on the curve north of Elwood on Hwy. 283, due to several accidents including the fatal accident that occurred on Jan. 13, 2009. Sheriff Ocken and Road Supt. Snyder were present. Discussion was held regarding adding a flashing light and or rumble bars. Sheriff Ocken reported that the Jan. 13th accident report did not indicate that a study needed to be done on the road, but it would be up to the State to do a study.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to change the Commissioner meeting to be held on February 11, 2009 to February 10, 2009 due to a conflict with the NIRMA meeting that will be held on February 11, 2009. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to approve the Treasurer's Semi-Annual Statement from July through December 2008. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to allocate \$200.00 from the Keno/Lottery fund to the 2009 Elwood High School Post Prom Party. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Motion carried.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to approve **Resolution No. 09-2** approving a subdivision of a tract of land in the SW1/4 of Sec. 26-T8N-R21W for Bruce G. Fritz to meet the requirements of the Gosper County Zoning Ordinance. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter Lerdall Motion carried.

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to pay the annual dues to South Central NE RC&D in the amount of \$35.00 to be paid out of the Keno/Lottery fund. 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 February 11, 2009, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. The Board will convene on February 25, 2009 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 February 18, 2009.