

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on February 25, 2009, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. Present were Chairperson Glen Monter, and Member Terry Lerdall. Member Gary Robb was absent. Bruce Bader was present. 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 February 18, 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 February 11, 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- February payroll: \$40,078.72, M. Atterberry, \$439.60, PT, M. Hudson, \$686.00, PT; American Family Life Ins, \$425.10; Ameritas Life Ins Co, \$4,674.55; BC/BS of NE, \$9,838.40; Delta Dental Plan of NE, \$746.00; First Concord Benefits Group LLC, \$417.50; Hartford Life Ins Co, \$490.00; Illinois Mutual, \$15.00; IRS, \$8,815.06; NE Child Support Pmt Ctr, \$676.29; NE Dept of Revenue, \$946.73; Philadelphia American Life Ins Co, \$67.63; Todd Wilson, PC, \$1,541.67; OPERATING EXPENSES – L. Amesbury, \$26.80; Anderson Bros EP&H Inc, \$2,268.54; AS Central Finance, \$202.69; ATC Comm, \$59.95; C. Carlsen, \$20.00; Clipper-Herald, \$25.30; Community Action Ptn of Mid-NE, \$1,345.96; Custer Co Sheriff, \$31.00; Dawson PPD, \$509.64; Dawson Co Sheriff, \$15.00, \$3,040.00; Elwood Bulletin, \$159.10; Elwood Public Library, \$612.33; B. Fallesen, PC, \$574.45; Gilg Law Ofc, PC, \$600.00; Gosper Co Clerk, \$10.50; Gosper Co CDC, \$198.00; Gosper Co Extension, \$398.00; K. Harbison, PC LLO, \$595.50; HawkEye Inc, \$153.00; Heldt & McKeone, \$57.23; Ideal Linen Supply, Inc, \$137.19; B. Bogle Louthan, \$1,010.00; MIPS Inc, \$2,752.06; D. Mitchell, PC, \$164.88; G. Monter, \$81.12; NE Assn of Co Treasurers, \$75.00; NE Tech & Telecomm, Inc, \$531.07; D. Ocken, \$20.00; N. Renken, \$75.00; SourceGas, \$1,400.96; State of NE Dept of Revenue, \$996.44; State of NE Public Health Env Lab, \$84.00; Steves Lock & Key, \$145.00; B. Thornburg, \$20.00; Tri-Co Hospital, \$25.00; Village of Elwood, \$157.67; Wal-Mart, \$22.50; West Central District, \$75.00; J. Westman, \$20.00; Wightman & Wightman, \$2,167.47; SUPPLIES– American First Aid & Safety, \$34.57; Aurora Co-operative, \$505.84; Clinch Enterprises, \$386.91; Des Moines Stamp, \$37.70; Elwood Mkt, \$10.08; Hanna Land & Cattle dba Computer Assistance, \$33.75; J&S Star Automotive, \$125.50; Ofc Solutions Assoc, \$581.17; The Red Barn, \$362.37; Sav-A-Little, \$122.73; Vinnys Hometown Auto Care, \$79.95; EQUIPMENT RENTAL- Axis Capital Inc, \$179.27; Elwood Bldg Co, \$100.00; Hometown Lsg, \$304.71;

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PERSONAL SERVICES- February payroll: \$21,242.86; American Family Life Ins, \$102.10; Ameritas Life Ins Co, \$2,389.82; BC/BS of NE, \$5,536.17; Delta Dental Plan of NE, \$378.35; First Concord Benefits Group LLC, \$201.50; IRS, \$4,304.02; NE Dept. of Revenue, \$489.52; E. Withers, \$19.00; OPERATING EXPENSES- Agri Co-op, \$2,457.33; Alltel, \$104.62; Arapahoe Public Mirror, \$17.45; ATC Communications, \$47.95; Bellamys Inc, \$205.55; Black Motor Co, \$997.79; Central Hydraulic Systems & Eqpt Co, \$67.25; Dawson PPD, \$106.94; K. Jauken, \$630.00; Lofquist Welding Inc, \$113.00; Micks Platte Valley Glass, \$166.44; NE Notary Assn, \$100.23; NE Tech & Telecomm Inc, \$173.11; NMC Inc, \$6,787.93; NE Truck & Eqpt Co Inc, \$7,220.64; Platte Valley Auto Mart, \$71.94; Platte Valley Comm, \$115.07; SourceGas, \$268.31; S&W Auto Parts, \$16.50; Village of Elwood, \$38.30; Village of Smithfield, \$66.00; WPCI, \$75.50; SUPPLIES- Ace Irrigation, \$558.17; Advance Auto Parts, \$22.47; Ag Valley Co-op, \$111.36; All Points Cooperative, \$156.29; Aurora Co-operative, \$526.10; Auto Shack, \$15.00; P. Bachmann, \$3,582.00; CDL Inc, \$37.29; Central Tire & Tread Inc, \$405.68; Dultmeier Sales, \$410.29; Gemplers, \$90.25; Holdrege Auto Parts Inc, \$443.88; Lewis Sharpening, \$27.00; Linweld, \$16.02; Mr Automotive, \$221.81; Paulsen Inc, \$63.75; TBO/Nebraskaland, \$189.07; Vans Radiator & Welding, \$9.56; WalMart, \$166.98; Whips Place, \$72.37; CAPITAL OUTLAY- PowerPlan, \$538.32; R. Schutz, \$150.00;

KENO/LOTTERY: OPERATING EXPENSES- American Legion Baseball Program, \$250.00; Elwood After-Prom Party, \$200.00; South Central NE RC&D, \$35.00; Village of Smithfield, \$295.23;

NOXIOUS WEED FUND: PERSONAL SERVICES- February 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, \$28.49; Central Comm College, \$100.00; NE Tech & Telecomm Inc, \$47.69; Village of Elwood, \$26.09; SUPPLIES- Agri Co-op, \$45.57; The Red Barn, \$76.58;

TREASURER'S MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS: \$403,587.52.

Weed Supt. Delp was present and gave a weed report on the following: Discussed creating an official job description for Weed Supt.; Repairs are needed on the spray truck; the Board recommended contacting David Beck for a quote.

At 9:30 a.m., Christel Smith, Elwood HS German teacher and six students were present to request Keno/Lottery funds for a cultural trip to Omaha on April 15, 2009. They will tour the Joslyn Art Museum, eat

at Gerda's, (a German bakery) and attend the performance of LaBoehme at the Opheum Theater. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to allocate \$300.00 from the Keno/Lottery Fund to the Elwood Public School/German III class. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Motion carried.

At 11:10 p.m., Atty. Wilson was present to inform the Board that Bruce Bader, Johnson Lake, NE was selected by the committee, to fill the unexpired term of Gary Robb as County Commissioner Dist. 2, effective March 1, 2009. Bruce will be sworn in to office on March 2, 2009.

At 11:15 a.m., Road Supt. Snyder was present and reviewed a Project Summary Report and the One and Six Year Road Plans.

At 11:50 a.m., a Bid Letting was held for a new and used motor grader. Present was Tim Baxter with Nebraska Machinery Co., North Platte. The first bid opened was from Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co., Grand Island, NE, for a new 2009 John Deere 770GP in the amount of \$226,915.00 less the trade allowance of a Cat 140H in the amount of \$62,000.00 for a balance of \$164,915.00. A second bid was received for a used 2007 John Deere 770D with 660 hours in the amount of \$150,830.00 less the trade allowance of a Cat 140H in the amount of \$62,000.00 for a balance of \$88,830.00. The second bid opened was from Nebraska Machinery Company, North Platte, NE for a new Caterpillar 140M in the amount of \$206,300.00 less the trade allowance of a Cat 140H in the amount of \$90,100.00 for a balance of \$116,200.00. The second bid was for a used 2003 CAT 140H in the amount of \$185,950.00 less trade allowance of a Cat 140H in the amount of \$90,100.00 for a balance of \$95,850.00. No action was taken

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to recess for lunch at 12:15 p.m. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

At 1:00 p.m., Chairman Monter opened the Public Hearing for the One and Six Year Road Hearing. Road Supt. Snyder read the public hearing notice. No one appeared. Chairman Monter closed the Public Hearing. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to approve **Resolution No. 09-04** in accordance with Chapter 39, Article 21 of the Statutes of the State of Nebraska and prescribed by the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards for the One and Six Year Road Plan. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried

Road Supt. Snyder was present and gave a road report on the following: The Hwy. Dept. has finished repairing the bridge at Johnson Lake; Mike and Randy are building fence on the Shilling project, when finished the Hwy. Dept. will start building fence on the Smithfield project; Mike met with Bill Peterson from the Oregon-California Trails Assn. regarding erecting signs to direct the public to the Oregon Trail in Gosper County, Mr. Peterson will set up an appointment with the Board. The Board discussed financing options for a new or used motor grader. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to send a bid sheet to both Elwood Banks and NACO to request their loan rates for a new or used motor grader. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

At 1:40 p.m., Brian Cochran with Midwest Mailing Services was present and reviewed different options available to lease or buy a postage meter. No action was taken.

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to convene as the Board of Equalization. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Assr. Taft was present and submitted a Tax List Correction. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to approve Tax List Correction No. 906. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to adjourn as the Board of Equalization. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

Tony Tyma, Business Office Systems was present and reviewed the Equipment Lease Agreement dated March 8, 2006 between BOS and Gosper County for the lease of a postage machine. Present were Atty. Wilson, Treas. Schutz and Deputy Treas. Townsend. Discussion was held. Atty. Wilson will contact Axis Capital regarding the lease agreement. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to table any decision until the next meeting. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

The Board was informed they will need to find a replacement to mow four abandoned cemeteries in Gosper County. The Board asked that Clerk Evans place an ad in the Elwood Bulletin asking for applications.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to allocate \$200.00 from the Keno/Lottery fund to the Bertrand Area Chamber of Commerce for the 2009 Bertrand Post Prom Party. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Motion carried.

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to allow \$400.00 from the Keno/Lottery fund to the Dawson County-Gosper County Hero Flight for WWII Veterans. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall Motion carried.

Other items reviewed were a letter from Frontier County Zoning, Insurance Dividend Refund from NIRMA and the West Central Dist. Meeting on Feb. 26, 2009 in North Platte. NE.

The Board adjourned at 4:00 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 March 11, 2009, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. The Board will convene on March 31, 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 March 24, 2009.