

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on May 13, 2009, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. Present were Chairperson Glen Monter, and Members Terry Lerdall and Bruce Bader. 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 May 6, 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 April 29, 2009 were read. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader. Motion carried.

Galen Nieheus, Dept. of Ag and Weed Supt. Delp were present. Mr. Nieheus gave an annual report on the requirements for the Gosper County Weed program for year 2008. Weed Supt. Delp gave a weed report on the following: finished spraying bare ground, working on broadleaf spraying when the weather permits, working on inspections and helping the Road Dept.

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

Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to renew the group dental contract with Delta Dental of Nebraska effective July 1, 2009 for 12 months with the same terms and conditions now in effect with the monthly rates increasing 3%. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader. Motion carried.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter, to approve the Audit Report for Gosper County ending June 30, 2008. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried. The Audit Report is on file at the County Clerk's office.

Chuck Burr, Extension Agent was present to inform the Board that Jon Wooters has resigned as Extension Ass't effective April 15, 2009. Chuck explained that Tyler Williams has been hired to work as an Extension Ass't in Phelps County and Tyler would be available to work one-third of his time in Gosper County. The salary and benefits are paid by UNL, Gosper County would then reimburse UNL one-third of the salary and benefits and would also be responsible for reimbursement of his mileage. Motion by Bruce, seconded by Lerdall to hire Tyler Williams as a part-time Extension Ass't for Gosper County.

Ray Meyer, Midwest Insurance was present to discuss health insurance options. No action was taken.

At 11:00 a.m., Clerk Evans reviewed the Blue Cross Blue Shield employee health insurance renewal plan and rates effective July 1, 2009. The insurance rates will increase by 18.34% due to the financial statistics and trends for the health benefits plans offered to NACO members. No action was taken

Motion by Monter, seconded by Bader to renew Gosper County's Audit Contract with Donald D. Wilson CPA, McCook, NE for fiscal years ending June 30, 2009, June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2011 in the amount of \$5,600.00 per year. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

Road Supt. Snyder was present and gave a road report on the following: There is a beaver problem on Rd 432 north of Rd 735, will hire the Game and Parks to remove the beavers, they will then dynamite the dam to get the water flowing, as the water is starting to cause a soft spot in the road; Working on the fence corners on the Smithfield road, and building diversions to help control erosion. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to approve the Permit to Move Building received from Wardcraft Homes regarding House #4645-M. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

A letter was received from Ernie French, Johnson Lake Fireworks Committee, requesting approval to close a portion of Johnson Lake Road between Sandy Point and Mallard Beach to traffic during the Johnson Lake Fireworks show on Friday, July 3 from 9:30 pm until conclusion of fireworks. Motion by Bader, seconded by Lerdall to approve the request to close the road. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

At 11:55 p.m., the Board recessed for lunch.

Adjournment was at 1:30 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 May 27, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska.