

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on January 13, 2010, 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 Jan. 6, 2010. 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. 30, 2009 were read. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

As per state statute, appointments and designations for the year were made. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to appoint Monter as Chairperson of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried. Motion by Bader, seconded by Monter to appoint Lerdall as Vice-Chairperson of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader 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, Bader Motion carried. Motion by Bader, seconded by Monter to appoint Lerdall to the Solid Waste Board and appoint Bader as the alternate representative to the Solid Waste Board. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to appoint Bader as the representative to the Gosper County Extension Board. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried. Motion by Bader, seconded by Monter to appoint Lerdall as Chairman of the Noxious Weed Board. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader 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, Bader Motion carried. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to appoint Monter to the Two Rivers Public Health Dept. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried. Motion by Bader, seconded by Lerdall to appoint Monter to the CASA Board. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader 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, Bader Motion carried. Motion by Bader, 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, Bader Motion carried. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Monter to approve the Investment of County Funds by the County Treasurer. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried. Discussion was held and the Board would like to meet as the Noxious Weed Board at the first meeting of every month at 9:10 a.m. to discuss weed issues.

Deb Jensen with Dawson Area Development was present to discuss grant funds that are available through the Nebraska Energy Office for replacement of windows and doors in the Courthouse. The cost share for the County is 20% of the total project cost, if the County would choose a higher cost share; they would score higher on the grant application. Administration fees for the grant would be 5%. The County would give out the minimum standards as stated to contractors for estimates and would submit the estimates with the grant application. Grants will be awarded May 1, 2010 and the earliest start date for the work is Oct. 1, 2010. After the grant is awarded, the County would then advertise for bids for the windows and doors for the project. The maximum award for a project is \$250,000.00. The Board asked Deb to proceed with the grant application.

Kathryn Kenning was present to request Keno funds to attend the 4-H Washington Focus trip with Merrick County on June 13-22, 2010. Motion by Monter, seconded by Lerdall to allocate \$150.00 from the Keno fund to Kathryn Kenning. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to approve **Resolution No. 10-01** establishing the Salaries of the Elected Officials of Gosper County, Nebraska for term 2011-2014. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a letter from NACO regarding continuing education hours for the Weed Supt. for 2009. Weed Supt. Delp was present and reported she has enrolled for continuing education classes to be held in Feb. & Mar., and she has been helping clean out the Courthouse basement.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to approve the Sheriff's Quarterly Report for October through December 2009. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

Motion by Monter, seconded by Bader to approve the Application for Permit to Move Building received from Wardcraft Homes. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the following correspondence: a Quarterly Loss Report ending Dec. 31, 2009 from NIRMA; Elwood Chamber Membership for 2010; Letter from State of NE for Juvenile Services County Aid funding; LB 826-County Consolidation Act.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to move the February 10, 2010 meeting date to February 9, 2010 due to NIRMA's Annual Conference on Feb. 10, 2010. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Monter, Lerdall, Bader Motion carried.

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

At 11:30 a.m., Hwy. Supt. Snyder was present and gave a road report on the following: Discussed armor coating the Phelps/Gosper county line road, Gosper's share would be \$17,750.00; State pickup bids are out, Mike will advertise and send notices out to area dealers; The One & Six Year Road Hearing will be held Feb. 24, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.; will be attending the NIRMA meeting in Kearney on Feb. 10, 2010; Working on getting a price for crack sealant.

Adjournment was at 12:00 noon.

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 January 27, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska.